



Arunside Announcements Week Commencing 30th September 2024

School Census Day – Thursday 3rd October

Did you know that if your child is registered as 'EAL' we will receive extra funding for our school? We use this extra money to improve the educational provision and resources at the school. We believe there might be some children (particularly if they have just joined us) who may be entitled to this funding but are not yet registered. If you think this applies to your child, please contact the school office who will be able to do this for you. There is no form to fill in, just a code assigned on our system that notifies West Sussex County Council as part of the October census.

Year 6 – Secondary School Places – Deadline Fast approaching!

Parents are advised that the application process for September 2025, secondary school places in West Sussex closes on **Thursday 31 October 2024**. The easiest way to apply is online via the West Sussex [website](#). It is vital that applications are made before the deadline if you are to have the best chance of being offered one of your preferred school.

Messages from the PTA

Fireworks Night – Volunteers Needed & Non-Uniform Day Reminder

NON-UNIFORM DAY - Friday 4th October

Friday 4th October is going to be a **Non-Uniform Day** in support of our fast-approaching **Fireworks Night!** We kindly ask that your child brings in a donation for the **Tombola** stall — sweets, chocolate, toys, or gifts (all in original packaging). For the grown-ups, we are also very grateful for donations of wine, bubbles, spirits, etc., for the popular **Bottle Tombola**. Donations can be handed to PTA members at the main gate, or to Year R gate for Reception parents. Please ensure **all** alcohol is handed over by an adult. Alternatively, you can bring donations to the school office at another time if Friday drop-off isn't convenient.

SIGN UP NOW!

This event simply cannot go ahead without your help. We are in **urgent need of volunteers** to ensure the success of **Fireworks Night**. Without enough volunteers, **we will be forced to cancel some stalls**. If you or a family member can spare **just 1 hour** to help us by running a stall, please sign up here:

<https://volunteersignup.org/E3LH4> or email us at: pta@arunside.school

Remember, all stalls will close before the fireworks start, so you'll have plenty of time to enjoy the show with your family.

Get your tickets and pre-order your food here - <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/arunsideprimary>

As always, thank you for your continued support. We're looking forward to seeing everyone on **Friday 11th October from 6pm to 8pm** for a fantastic evening!

Key Dates for the Diary

- Friday 4th November – Dress Down Day (non-uniform) in exchange for tombola prizes
- Friday 11th October – PTA Firework Display
- Monday 14th October – School Photos (individual)



- Monday 14th October – Deadline for the return of the children’s Xmas4Schools Artwork
- Tuesday 15th October – Open Day Tours for EYFS in-take September 2025 9.30 – 11.00am
- Thursday 17th October – Open Day Tours for EYFS in-take September 2025 1.00 – 2.30pm
- Tuesday 22nd October – Harvest Festival (Y3&4 at 9.30 and Y1&2 at 2.30pm)
- Monday 28th October – Friday 1st November – **HALF TERM**
- Monday 4th November – Inset Day
- Tuesday 5th November – Parents Evening – Early Sessions (booking details will be released shortly)
- Thursday 7th November -Parents Evening – Lat Sessions (booking details will be released shortly)
- Monday – Thursday 11 – 14th November – Book Fair
- Tuesday 12th November – Influenza Nasal Spray Vaccination Programme
- Tuesday 26th November - Y4 Ukulele Performance to Parents - 2.30pm on in the hall
- Rocksteady Concert – Friday 6th December – 10.30am