

Arunside Announcements



Week Commencing
Monday 6th July 2026

Horsham Children's Parade

On Sunday 5th July, 30 of our Year 5 children will be proudly representing Arunside at the Horsham Children's Parade.

This year's theme, Celebrating Childhood, promises a vibrant display of creativity, with hundreds of children from schools across the Horsham District showcasing spectacular costumes and giant creations, all made in workshops with professional community artists. Visitors can expect to see childhood favourites brought to life, including teddy bears' picnics, birthday parties, magic shows, fairground attractions, bedtime stories, kite flying, Snakes & Ladders and much more.

We are delighted that Arunside's theme is Superheroes, and we can't wait for our children to show off the fantastic costumes and creations they have worked so hard to prepare.

The parade starts at 11.00am in Denne Road and finishes at around 12.00pm in Horsham Park, where it marks the opening of the Rotary Club's Funday Sunday. The event is free to watch, and we would love to see as many members of our school community there as possible to cheer on our children.

We hope you can join us to support our amazing Year 5 superheroes!

OPAL Updates

Our OPAL play journey continues to go from strength to strength, and it has been wonderful to see the children making the most of the new additions to our playground. The scooters and digging area have been particularly popular!

A huge thank you to everyone who has kindly donated resources so far. We are still in desperate need of picnic blankets and children's cycle helmets. If you are able to donate either of these items, please place them in the Donation Station bin at the front of the school office.

We would also like to thank everyone who took the time to complete our Play Survey. Your feedback is invaluable. If you have any further comments or suggestions, whether positive or constructive, please email the school office and your feedback will be passed on to the OPAL team. Thank you for your continued support.

[Arunside Amazon Wish List](#)



Share the Story - School Assembly



The Cornerstone Methodist Church in Horsham's 'Share the Story' team delivered a whole school assembly on Monday 29th June. As always this was great fun for all.

Trips

Do you have a trip coming up that you haven't paid for?

Did you fill in the consent and medical form?

Forms can be accessed by clicking on the light blue, underlined hyperlinks below:



- Year 1 - [Arundel Castle](#)
- Year 2 - [Preston Manor](#)
- Year 5 - [Marchants Hill 2027 \(deposits\)](#)
- Year 6 - [Marchants Hill 2026 \(outstanding payments\)](#)



Arunside Children Need You



We rely on support from volunteers to regularly come and listen to our students reading. Volunteers need to be reliable, committed, patient and happy to undergo a DBS check.

If you or a family member are able to commit to a regular routine and are available to attend one of our mandatory safeguarding workshops in September, please click on the link: [Volunteer Application Form](#)

Our Safeguarding Training dates are:

- Tuesday 15th September at 10.30-11.30am
- Thursday 17th September 2.15 - 3.15pm



Parent Representatives

This week we hosted our first Parent Representatives meeting. This was a great success, and we look forward to working productively together going forward. There is still space for more members, please do get in touch if you would like to get involved.

Active Uniform Consultation

We have decided to extend the deadline for the Active Uniform Consultation to get a higher volume of responses, we have discussed this with the new parent representatives and they are aiming to help us spread the word among the parent community. Please click on the link below to have your say (if have not already done so). <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Y33BK5L> The consultation is now open again and will expire at 9.00am next Friday 10th July 2026.



Year 5 & 6 Rounders Event at Millais



Great fun was had by all at the Year 5 & 6 Rounders Competition this week. The children demonstrated great resilience during their games as they learnt new rounders rules which lead to them coming third in the B division. Well done team!

West Sussex Family Grapevine Summer 2026

Please find below a link to the digital-only version of the West Sussex Family Grapevine magazine. The decision has been taken not to produce a printed version for environmental reasons, and so that copies do not need to be physically put into book bags.

<https://thefamilygrapevine.co.uk/west-sussex/magazine/summer-2026/>

PTA and Barracudas

Arunside PTA have partnered with Barracudas to earn discounts for parents signing up to the holiday club. It gives parents £20 off their booking if booking a minimum of 2 days (that 2 days can be between 2 children) and for every booking made they will donate £5 to the PTA!

Year 5 District Sports

Reminder to those participating on Monday. Please get to The Bridge for **8.45am** and ensure to collect your children at **12.00pm**.

A promotional poster for Barracudas Activity Day Camps. The background is blue with white stars and dots. On the right, a young girl is looking through binoculars. Text on the poster includes: 'HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES IN HORSHAM!', 'BARRACUDAS ACTIVITY DAY CAMPS', 'USE CODE ARUPTA26 FOR £20 OFF!', '*MINIMUM OF 2 DAYS', 'FOR EVERY BOOKING MADE, BARRACUDAS WILL MAKE A DONATION TO SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL!', and 'OFSTED REGISTERED' with a checkmark icon.

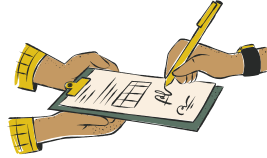
Lost property

Please make an effort to check the lost property. We will be discarding any unnamed items that remain after Friday 10th July.



Signing-in book

Please note that if your child is coming in late after registration, or returning from an appointment, they cannot return to school alone. We **must** collect a parent signature at the school office.



Year 5 Trip to Tanbridge

Year 5 students walked to Tanbridge this week and loved taking part in three science experiments.



Deposits for next year's PGL trip to Marchant's Hill

There is one week left to pay the deposit for next year's PGL trip to Marchant's Hill. Don't miss out!

Tech and Stem - The Wow Camp

AWESOME SCIENCE SHOWS

MINICRAFT REDSTONE

ROBLOX PRESENTATIONS

LITTLE BIT INVENTIONS

DJING & MUSIC MIXING

HOVERCRAFT BUILDING

ANIMATION STUDIO

ROBOT BUILDING

INFLATABLE GAME ZONE

SUMMER CAMPS 2026

DISCOVER NEW ACTIVITIES THIS SUMMER!

The timetables below are for this Summer - we refresh activities every holiday so there's always something new to experience!

OUR ACTIVITY	FIRE COLOUR SYSTEM	SPARK	POWER	CLASSIC	EVERY HOLIDAY NEW COLOURS NEW ACTIVITIES
	YELLOW	PURPLE	RED	BLUE	
WEEK 1	DRIVING ROBOTS	INFLATABLE GAME ZONE	LITTLE BIT INVENTIONS	MINICRAFT REDSTONE	HOVERCRAFT BUILDING
WEEK 2	ROBLOX PRESENTATIONS	ANIMATION STUDIO	ROBOT BUILDING	INFLATABLE GAME ZONE	HOVERCRAFT BUILDING

The days that these activities will be taking place differ site to site, please check website for your camp's schedule.

WHAT TO BRING: Lunch & snacks, Water, Medication if required, Weather Appropriate Clothing.

FIND A CAMP NEAR YOU! We have more than 80 camps running this summer across the UK. [View Locations](#)

RAVE REVIEWS ★★★★★
"Both my son and daughter had lots of fun, made new friends, learnt new skills and will not stop talking about the Robots!"
Lucy Hart - St Ebbe's Primary School

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Key Dates for The Diary

Date	Details
Sunday 5th July 2026	Horsham Childrens Parade (Y5 children representing)
Monday 6th July 2026 - Friday 10th July 2026	Y6 PGL Marchants Hill Trip
Wednesday 8th July 2026	Year 2 Preston Manor Trip
Thursday 16th July 2026	Wellbeing Coffee and Chat Drop-In 2.00pm - 3.15pm
Thursday 16th July 2026	Year 1 Arundel Castle Trip
Wednesday 22nd July 2026	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly 9.15am
Wednesday 22nd July 2026	Last day of term
Tuesday 1st September 2026	Inset Day
Tuesday 15 th September 2026	Volunteer Safeguarding Training 10.30am - 11.30am
Thursday 17 th September 2026	Volunteer Safeguarding Training 2.15pm - 3.15pm
Monday 2 nd November 2026	Inset Day
Monday 4 th January 2027	Inset Day
Monday 22 nd February 2027	Inset Day
Monday 7 th June 2027	Inset Day