

Arunside Announcements



Week Commencing
Monday 5th October 2026

Harvest Festival

With the Harvest Festival approaching soon, we will be taking donations on behalf of Horsham District Foodbank via the School Office. Please see poster below of items that they are collecting:



Horsham District Foodbank
Together with Trussell

HorshamMatters
Serving 20 years
Meeting Needs and Improving Lives

Harvest Appeal

The Horsham District Foodbank is asking for donations of:

Custard	Tinned Meat
Rice Pudding	Tinned Veggie Meals
Coffee	Tinned Fruit
Long Life Milk	Tinned Vegetables
Fruit Juice	Soup
Ketchup / Mayo	Rice
Biscuits	Baked Beans
Crisps	Tinned Fish

Donate to the Harvest food collection at your local school

Scan the QR code to donate and help people in the Horsham District



For Help or information,
Either call or WhatsApp: 0300 124 0204
Or email support@horsham-matters.org.uk

Charity No. 1116253



Momentum Children's Charity Cake Sale in memory of Albie



Message from Dan and Carly Hills

Josie came up with the idea of the cake sale and was supported by her brother, Elliot, and also the following children from Arunside school: Max, Isabella and Charlie, Emily, Phoebe and Lottie, Hiba and Bradley. All of the children helped to either run the stall or contributed with cakes to sell.

All of them did a fantastic job and we are delighted to say that they raised a staggering total of £727.15 for Momentum children's charity in memory of Albie. We are so proud of all of them, they really are amazing! This total is still likely to grow over the next few days with online contributions but even if it doesn't, that has far exceeded what we thought would be achievable.

It was a lovely morning in Horsham park with North Sussex Soccer Academy and we were very happy that Albie's family joined us for the event.

I have attached some pictures from the morning. Please can you share this news with senior leadership and the relevant teachers, we think it would be lovely for all the children involved to be recognised for this amazing achievement.

Best wishes,

Dan and Carly Hills



PTA Colour Run Fundraising - Message from Momentum Charity

We are incredibly grateful for their enthusiasm, effort, and support. Thank you all for helping make such a positive difference

Best wishes,

Siobhan Wakefield

Fundraising and Finance Officer



Horsham Library - Half Term

To celebrate National Year of Reading – Go All In, we are celebrating our libraries with a Book Party event.

Where:

Horsham Library

Thursday 29th October

10am – 12pm

4 – 11 years

This is a free drop-in event. Why not come dressed as your favourite book character. Please share the attached information in your parent communication running up to half term.

Many thanks and we look forward to seeing you all.

Best wishes,

Natalie



Mid Sussex Active

Please see posters for free inclusive football opportunities being run by Crawley Town.



PREMIER LEAGUE KICKS
FREE Inclusive Football for for 8-18 years

Monday 5-6pm
Maidenbower Park

Wednesday 5-6pm
K2 - Pan disability
Multisports

Thursday 4-6pm
Bewbush

Friday 5-6pm (GIRLS)
6-7pm (8-13)
7-9pm (14-18)
Broadfield Stadium

Premier League Kicks

Ages 8-18

FREE
All Sessions
are free

Mixed boys &
girls sessions

Complete the form to play



ctcommunityfoundation | crawleytowncf
www.ctcommunityfoundation.com

crawleywellbeing | CRYSE

Farlington Football Festival



A group of 11 year 3 and 4 girls attended a football festival this week at Farlington. The girls took part in a carousel of dribbling and shooting activities followed by some matches. The girls demonstrated some great football skills and a few of the girls had never played a football match before. Well done girls!



Cycle to School Week 2026

Please see poster below from Hugh Thomas of the Walk Wheel Cycle Trust.



Featuring the golden padlock!
Cycle or Scoot to school to be
in with a chance to win a
prize!

Cycle to School Week 2026

October 5th to October 9th

Join in to celebrate the fun
of cycling and experience a
quick and healthy way to
travel to school.

Walk Wheel Cycle Trust is the charity
making it possible for everyone to walk,
wheel and cycle.

To find out more, please contact:
e: hugh.thomas@walkwheelcycletrust.org.uk
w: www.walkwheelcycletrust.org.uk



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Considerate cycling and scooting

Please ensure your children dismount their bicycles and scooters when on the school premises (unless this is during OPAL play). The children are under parental supervision before registration and after they are dismissed and they need to be mindful of pedestrians and moving vehicles - particularly in the car park and by the entrance gates.



Trips - Permission required

A consent form has been sent out to parents for the following trips:

- [Y6 Evacuee Day](#)

Please click on the links above and give consent if you have not already done so.

Your child will not be able to attend if we do not have consent.

Y6 PGL - please start paying your instalments on MCAS

Y3 Ancient Egyptian Workshop

An email has gone out to parents today, and this is now live on MCAS.

OPAL Updates

It's been a busy week with our new additions to OPAL. Dressing up and Teddies have been a big hit! It has been wonderful to see our oldest and youngest children getting into character and entertaining each other (and the adults!) in full costume. If you have any unwanted dressing up clothing at home, please do donate them to us so more children can enjoy this new activity.

We have also seen our O'Pals in action, for the first time. After some training and receiving their new, high-vis OPAL jacket, they have been supporting the other children during play, assisting with activities and distributing resources.

We are collecting wellies, waterproofs, tarpaulins, yoga mats, teddies, dressing up clothes and toy cars!



Please click on the link to view items on our

[Arunside Amazon Wish List](#)

Arunside PTA

Fireworks Night: Friday 16th October 6pm - 8pm

WE URGENTLY NEED VOLUNTEERS!

Can you spare just 45 minutes—1 hour to run a stall? Without enough volunteers, some stalls may have to close.

Sign up: <https://volunteersignup.org/JC8J4>

Email: pta@arunside.school

All stalls close before the fireworks, so you'll still have plenty of time to enjoy the show with your family.

Tickets & food pre-orders: Available from next week at

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/arunsideprimary>

Thank you for your support — we can't make this event happen without you!





Key Dates for The Diary

Date	Details
Tuesday 6th October 2026	Care Home Visit (selected children)
Monday 12th October 2026	Individual School Photos
Tuesday 13th October 2026	Open Morning 9.30am
Wednesday 14th October 2026	Evacuee Day Rowan Class
Thursday 15th October 2026	Evacuee Day Lime Class
Thursday 15th October 2026	Open Afternoon 1.30pm
Friday 16th October 2026	PTA Fireworks
Tuesday 20th October 2026	Harvest Festival Assemblies Y3+4: 9.30am, Y1+2: 2.45pm
Wednesday 21st October 2026	Year 3 Ancient Egyptians Workshop
Monday 26th - Friday 30th October 2026	Half Term
Monday 2nd November 2026	Inset Day
Friday 6th November 2026	Remembrance Assembly Year 5+6 9.15am
Monday 23rd November 2026	Parents Evening (details TBC)
Tuesday 24th November 2026	Parents Evening (details TBC)
Monday 7th December 2026	Year 1 Christmas Production 2.30pm
Tuesday 8th December 2026	Year 2 Christmas Production 2.30pm
Thursday 10th December 2026	EYFS Nativity 2.30pm
Friday 11th December 2026	Rocksteady Concert 9.30am



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Tuesday 15th December 2026	Year 3 + 4 Carols at St Mary's Church 2.00pm
Thursday 17th December 2026	Year 5 + 6 Carols at St Mary's Church 2.00pm
Monday 21st December 2026 -Friday 1st January 2027	Christmas Break
Friday 29th January 2027	PTA School Disco (details TBC)
Wednesday 10th February 2027	Young Voices
Monday 15th - 19th February 2027	Half Term
Monday 22nd February 2027	Inset Day
Friday 26th March - Friday 9th April 2027	Easter Break
Monday 31st May - Friday 4th June 2027	Half Term
Tuesday 8th June 2027	EYFS Zoolab Visit
Monday 21st June - Friday 25th June 2027	Year 6 PGL to Marchants Hill
Tuesday 20th July 2027	Inset Day
Wednesday 21st July 2027	Inset Day