



NEWSLETTER 18 Term 6  
Friday 30th June 2023

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“Achievement for All, Learning Together, Learning for Life”

Dear Chiddingly Families,

Term 6 is really in full flow! Classes are utilising the outside areas in the lovely sunny weather, Beech Class are loving using their new outdoor equipment and you can't walk down a corridor without hearing the latest song KS2 have been learning for Darwin Rocks - even the KS1 children are starting to hum them!

Each class took part in a transition afternoon on Monday, it was great to see how settled and confident the children were when taking part, lots of happy faces, meeting new friends and old and finding out about their new classrooms. The children are already talking about their next session.

Mrs Mackarness

## Skills Builders

Congratulations to these children who had their Skills Builders celebrated in the last two weeks.



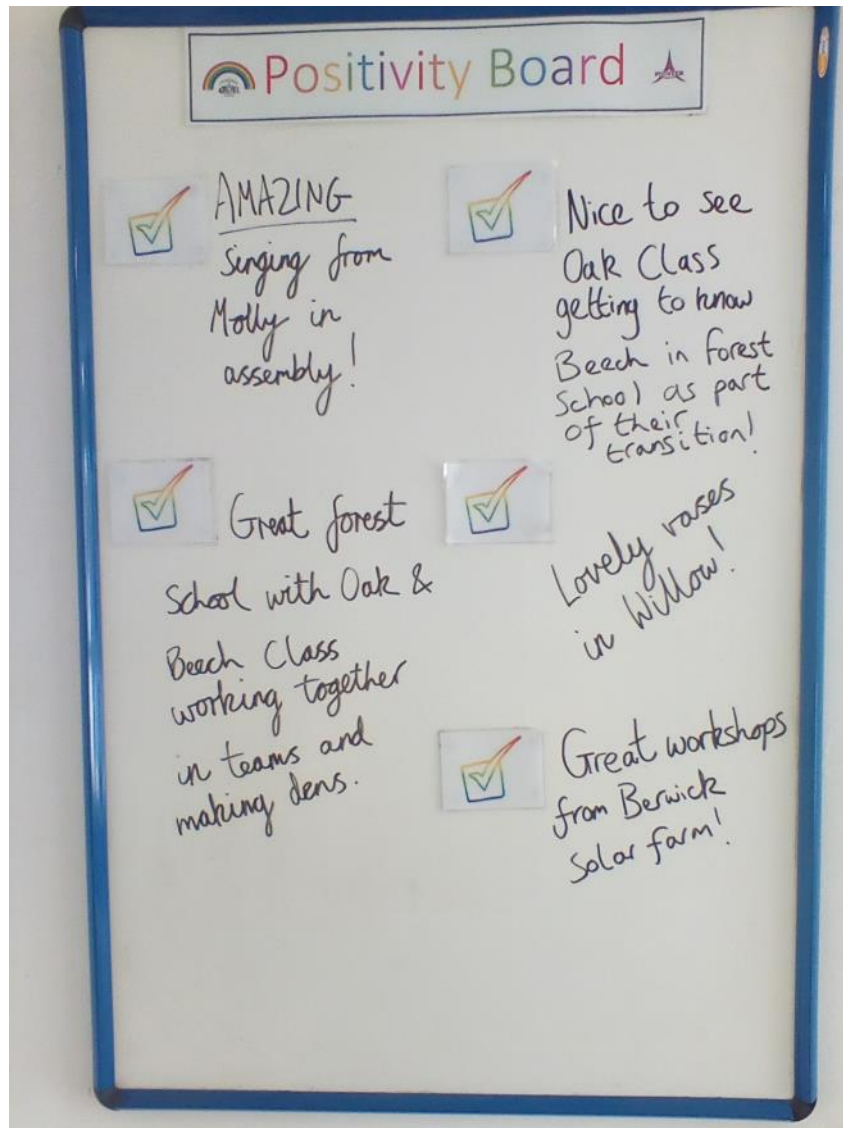
## Thank You

A massive thank you to the local charity, Hughes Education Charity, as they have paid for three of the Pioneer Federation Reception classes to go to the Aquarium this term. They have also paid for Chiddingly's Year 1/2 class to go to the Van Gogh Exhibition at the Brighton Dome. This means around 75 children can all have an enriching educational experience and to no cost to the parents!



If you need the newsletter or other school letters to be in a different format, please speak to Mrs Dann in the school office. If you need help or support with access to any information, please also contact Mrs Dann.

## Positivity Board



## Attendance

The Pioneer Federation goal is an average attendance rate of 97%, recognising that each school day provides opportunities for learning, as well as social and emotional development. It is noticeable when students miss school as it impacts on their progress.

**Less than 94.9% - Red**

**95 to 96.4% - Amber**

**96.5 to 99.9% - Green**

**100% - Gold**

Whole school this week: 93.2%

Whole school this year: 94.39%

Oak: 92.86%

Beech: 92.67%

Willow: 95.33%

Sycamore: 91.72%

**Well done, Willow!**



## Class Updates

### Oak

This week Oak Class have been testing their skills in different ways. They have been using their phonics skills to play phonics Jenga, using their number skills to solve maths problems created by throwing the dice and building their own sea creatures.



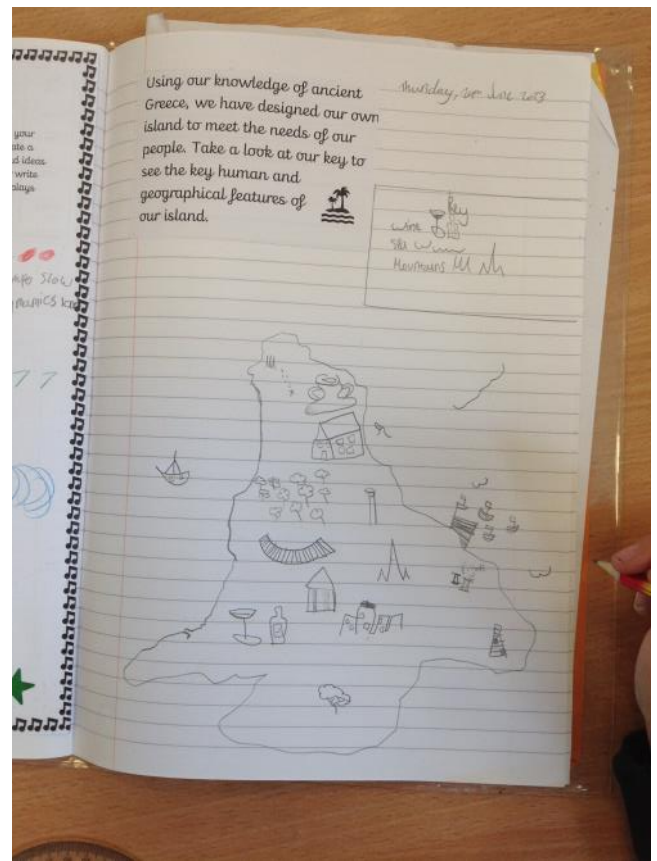
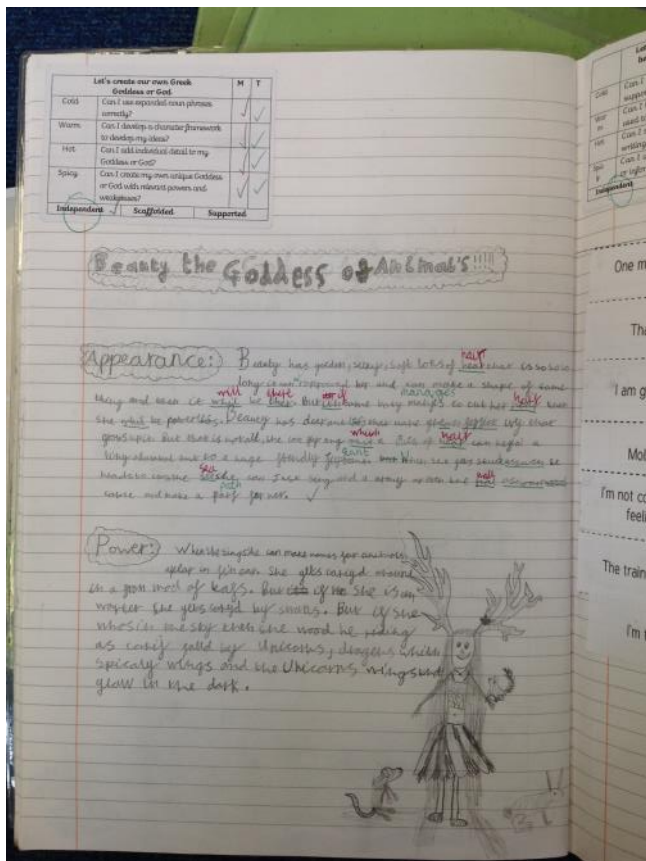
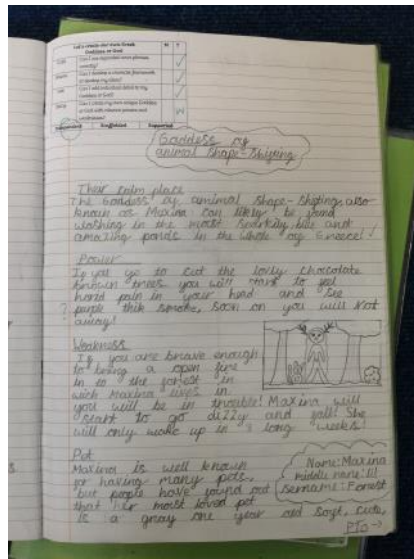
## Beech

Beech have been very busy over the last few weeks learning about significant people in history as part of their topic. They have found out about Rosa Parks, Vincent Van Gogh and Frida Kahlo. They had a wonderful time creating their portrait in the style of Frida Kahlo!



# Willow

Willow have been creating their own Greek Gods in Literacy, designing their characters' features, powers, weakness' and their roles on Mount Olympus (amongst the famous 12!). Their roles range from the God/Goddess of Fire, Nature, Lightning, Oceans and even Cats! To really get into their God/Goddess roles, we have been writing diary entries in the perspective of our characters, and acting out their key characteristics. What a powerful, creative class we have!



## Sycamore

Sycamore Class enjoyed a full day of activities and exploration about solar energy last week. on Wednesday morning they took a trip to Berwick Solar Energy Farm and were able to see the plant in action. In the afternoon, Tracy Linney from Earth Energy Education led a workshop back at school where the class researched and designed ways to make the school site more sustainable in terms of energy. Tracy said, "Thank you so much for your children being just so wonderful today, both at the site this morning and for the afternoon workshop at school. They listened very well and were fully engaged during the whole day."



## Forest School (Past Two Weeks)

In the past two sessions of Forest School, Oak and Beech Class have been joining in together as part of their transition. They took part in lots of team building games, including: a water race (filling jugs up and making sure they did not spill the water); making dens for animals and working in teams to find where they were hiding; working together in the mud kitchen (the Year 1s did a great job of helping Reception!); and various other activities that enabled them to spend time together.

**A massive thank you to Miss Waterman and all her lovely volunteers for this year's amazing Forest School sessions!**



## Year 6 Leavers' Hoodies

A big thank you to the PFCS for purchasing all our Year 6 leavers' hoodie. A special thank you to Lisa Boardman for making them. They all look fantastic and don't want to take them off!



## National Schools Equestrian Association

I am Angelena Churcher the Pioneer / Park Mead Equestrian NSEA team manager.

I would like to offer the opportunity for any child to become part of the NSEA team, your child can compete as an individual or part of a team (if we have enough competitors) representing the federation/school.

Here is a link to the website with all the information [NSEA - Industry experts & providers of inter-school equestrian competitions](#) if you would like your child to become a member please contact the Park Mead school office.





## Dates For Your Diary!

### July 2023

4th—Parent & Carer Coffee afternoon at Park Mead

5th—Beech Class Van Gogh Trip

6th & 7th—Sycamore Sleepover

10th—Oak Class Aquarium Trip

11th—Production dress rehearsal

11th—Summer Fun Run

13th—Production

17th— Oak Class Pirate Day

19th—Leavers' Assembly at 1.45pm

20th—Term 6 ends

## Dates for Academic Year 2023-24

### September 2023

5th — Term 1 Starts

7th—Reception Class start

### October 2023

20th — Term 1 Ends

30th — Term 2 Starts

### December 2023

15th — Term 2 Ends

### January 2024

3rd — Term 3 Starts

### February 2024

9th — Term 3 Ends

19th — Term 4 Starts

### March 2024

28th — Term 4 Ends

### April 2024

15th — Term 5 Starts

### May 2024

6th — Bank Holiday Monday

24th — Term 5 Ends

### June 2024

4th — Term 6 Starts

### July 2024

22nd — Term 6 Ends



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# Welcome PARENTS AND CARERS

## PARENT AND CARER COFFEE SESSIONS FOR MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING.

Mrs Leahy (inclusion manager and SENCO) and Me and My Mind would like to invite you to join us for a drink and biscuit. Parents and carers from all Pioneer schools are welcome to all sessions!

### CONTACT

No booking required.  
Any questions, please email:  
Mrs Leahy  
sleahy@pioneerfederation.co.uk



### Introduction to our new Parent carer Practitioner Vickie Pelling who works with Park Mead

Would you like to know how to help your child more with their fears & worries? or maybe you'd like help with something else like getting them to go to sleep or to go to school?

Vickie one of the parenting practitioner's from the 'Me & My Mind Team' would like to set up some sessions at the school to help parents & carers with supporting their child's emotional wellbeing, but first would like to know what would be most valuable for you and your child just now".

Please click this [link](#) to complete a short survey.

**Vickie Pelling** Parent & Carer Practitioner for Park Mead Primary, Mental Health Support Teams

### Updated dates for Spring and Summer 2023:

~~3/3/23 'The Thrive Approach and Zones of Regulation' 2-3pm at Chiddingty School~~

~~25/4/23 Topic to be confirmed - let Mrs Leahy know of any requests - 2-3pm at St Marys~~

~~16/5/23 'Supporting Adult Mental Health in Adult Mental Health Week' 2-3pm at Park Mead~~

4/7/23 'Transitions - between classes and between schools' 2-3pm at Park Mead



**SUMMER**

**HOLIDAY**

**CAMP**

24th, 25th & 26th  
July 2023

Park Mead Primary  
School, BN27 3QP

**ALL CHILDREN WELCOME!  
FROM ANY SCHOOL**

**BREAKFAST CLUB £5**

**07:45-08:45**

**MAIN DAY £15**

**08:45-15:15**

**AFTER CAMP CLUB £5**

**15:15-16:15**

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Summer Reading Challenge 2023

# Ready, Set, Read!

Presented by The Reading Agency,  
Delivered in partnership with libraries.

**Ready, Set Read!**  
**Starts 8 July 2023 Ends 9 September 2023**

Join this year's Summer Reading Challenge at  
[www.eastsussex.gov.uk/src](http://www.eastsussex.gov.uk/src)



The Summer Reading Challenge is a national scheme produced by the Reading Agency and delivered by public libraries that encourages children to keep reading during the school summer holidays - and to enjoy anything they like to read! Children aged 4-11 are invited to take part and collect rewards for their reading, giving them a positive experience of reading for pleasure.

It's **FREE** to take part, and last year 75% of children taking part nationally improved their reading skills over the holidays.<sup>1</sup>

Sign your child up at [www.eastsussex.gov.uk/src](http://www.eastsussex.gov.uk/src) If you don't have a smartphone, computer or tablet, you can sign up using a computer in the library. You can ask a one of our volunteers or a member of staff for help if you need it.

The Challenge will begin in [East Sussex libraries](#) on Saturday 8th July and end on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September.

The Challenge is to read any six books borrowed from the library or downloaded from our [ebook library](#). For children under 4 we have the Pre-school Challenge, where you can collect stickers for each book shared and a special medal sticker at the end.

Children signing up for the Challenge get a character sticker and a Reader Record. Children will be able to collect a prize for each of the six books they have read. When they finish the Challenge they will get a certificate which they can receive in school or at the library. The Challenge is for all children, whatever their reading ability. Children who are not reading independently can share their books with a family member or friend, or they might prefer to listen to audio books.

To take part in Read, Set Read! children need to have their own library card and PIN. It is easy and free to become a member of the library. Take something with your name, address and signature to the library and you can join the whole family, or you can [join online](#) and have your cards posted to you. You can [reset your child's PIN online](#) if you can't remember it, or ask in the library for a new one. You will need the PIN to sign up to the Challenge.

Visit <http://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/> for fun games, author interviews and book recommendations.

[1] The Reading Agency (2022) [Summer Reading Challenge 2022: Annual Report](#)



# Summer of fun at Sharnfold Farm

22 JULY - 03 SEPT 2023

Join us on our farm trail for a jam packed day full of fun for the whole family. Meet our farm animals and small friends. Play in the adventure play area and sand pit. Go on a bug hunt in the rewilding garden. Adventure through the woodland trail. Challenge each other to a game of mini golf. Discover in the sound garden. Get creative in the mud kitchen.



1st  
August



Meet Bluey and Bingo

16th  
August



Meet Peppa and George

30th  
August



Meet Chase and Marshall

Visit [sharnfoldfarm.co.uk](http://sharnfoldfarm.co.uk) for more information



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Sharnfold Farm, Hailsham Road, Stone Cross, Eastbourne, BN24 5BU

The logo for Active Education Sussex, consisting of the letters 'ae' in a stylized, rounded blue font.

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# Hawaiian SUMMER FUN RUN

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2023**

**Our Easter Fun Run raised £302 – THANK YOU!**

This Fun Run has been chosen by the children during our school councils to raise money towards refurbishing our garden area.

**\*Don't forget to bring something Hawaiian or bright and colourful to wear whilst performing the Active Mile Fun Run!**

## **ICE LOLLY REFRESHMENT**

The PFCS are offering an ice lolly to have after the event.  
Available via ParentPay for just £1 per child.

## **PRIZE DRAW!!**

Active Education Sussex are donating two pairs of brand-new running trainers for two lucky children to win. 10 other fun prizes available! Each £5 raised will earn your child 1 raffle ticket into the prize draw. There is no limit to the amount of raffle tickets any one child can earn. For every £5 raised, a new raffle ticket with their name on will be entered into the prize draw! Prizes will be drawn randomly week commencing 17<sup>th</sup> July 2023. Please ensure your sponsorship money is paid on ParentPay by 3:30pm Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2023. GOOD LUCK!

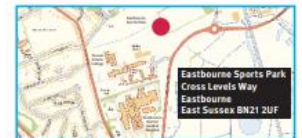
# CYCLING FOR EVERYONE



*What's on at Eastbourne Cycle Centre this summer ● Three weeks of action packed cycling Monday to Friday... Check out what we offer:*



**Whizzability family fun, total beginners, Bikeability level 1**, for those that have ditched the stabilisers. Learn basic skills in a traffic free environment.  
**Bikeability Level 2** short journeys on quieter roads,  
**Bikeability Level 3**, more challenging roads and traffic situations.  
**Plus our much loved and wonderful wheels for all sessions using our ever growing fleet of adapted bikes!**  
w/c 24th July ● w/c 31st July ● w/c 7th August



## Booking is essential on all courses:

Bikeability: Type of Booking ([eastsussex.gov.uk](http://eastsussex.gov.uk)) **email: [holidaycourses@eastsussex.gov.uk](mailto:holidaycourses@eastsussex.gov.uk)**

Bookings for wheels for all sessions: **[wheels4all@eastsussex.gov.uk](mailto:wheels4all@eastsussex.gov.uk)** or phone **07584 262556** or **07881 282725** and speak to one of our team to find out more. Check with your school to find out if they have booked their Bikeability course yet!



East Sussex Cycle Training



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The Civic Centre Uckfield

21-22 July 2023



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