

North Mundham Primary School

The Heron Newsletter



Welcome to our fortnightly newsletter

Summer 7

21st July 20252025

In this newsletter, find out about:

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A Message from Mrs Gordon



Dear Parents and Carers,

Well it's been a busy end to the term and end to another adventure packed year here at North Mundham. We are incredibly proud of all the children and what they have achieved this year. There are so many highlights it's hard to pick anything out but, whilst the year has had its challenges, we continue to see the children thrive in so many ways and I can honestly say, it is a joy to work with them all.

Last week, the Year 5 and 6 children performed Wind and the Willows to audiences over the course of 3 days. What an incredible production! It was full of energy and incredible performances. Above all, it showed how they could work together and support each other, which was wonderful to see. Well done everyone!

There was also an amazing performance by the choir on Friday 11th July, in the incredible showcase evening. This was a fundraising occasion in aid of the choir trip to the O2 in January. Miss Guppy organised a lovely evening and the children sang together in union with wonderful harmony, energy and tune. Brilliant!

I would like to take this opportunity to say a huge heartfelt thank-you to all of the wonderful staff who work here and strive to plan exciting and fun learning opportunities as well as to support the learning and development of everyone in their care. I'm sure you will join in me in wishing them a very well deserved summer break.

It has been an emotional few days as we have said a fond farewell to several members of staff. Mrs Gill is retiring after 35 years here and it was wonderful to celebrate her incredible teaching career both with the children and with staff past and present last week. Sarah is an inspirational teacher and has always amazed me with her energy and enthusiasm. Mrs Moore and Miss Holt are also retiring from their TA roles. They have been here 19 and 21 years respectively and have touched the lives of many children who they have supported over the years. Both with kindness and patience, they have found ways to inspire and help children in their learning. Miss Hart is also leaving us to have many new adventures. We will miss them all and wish them well in the next stage of their lives.

And of course tomorrow, we say goodbye to our Year 6 children. They have been real superstars this year and have really impressed us with their resilience, dedication and support for each other. They have made some incredible memories - for themselves, for each other and for others. We have been wowed by their artwork, astounded by their sporting achievements, amazed by their effort in class and their incredible achievement in SATs week. We will miss them all but wish them so much luck in their new schools. Reach for those stars everyone!

As the school year draws to a close, I would also like to thank our wonderful PTA for all their work raising money so that the children can enjoy additional learning experiences. Jess and Kelly have been fantastic co-chairs for the last two years and I would particularly like to thank them for all they have done, they are both stepping down in their roles as they have other commitments so we are in need of some more faces on the PTA. Please see attached poster to come along to the AGM and find out more on 9th September.

Thank-you also to all of you, for your support, nurture and care for your children and for working together with us in partnership to ensure that they have the best opportunities possible.

Best wishes,

Zoe Gordon, Headteacher

Wind in the Willows



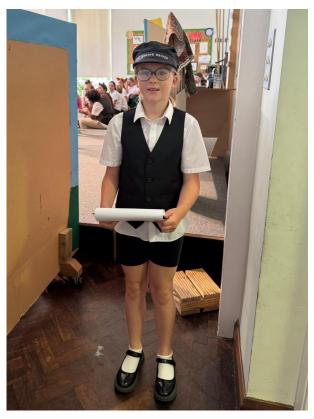




















































The Choir Showcase















Fond farewells











OPAL- Outside Play and Learning



We have had a good clear out of some of the broken OPAL items and we would love some new loose parts for September.

We are holding another OPAL bingo competition. Please have a look below and if you have any items, we would be very grateful. We will make a note of who brings in items and the class who gets all the items on the list first will win a prize.

Good luck everyone.... and thank-you.



1 - We are always looking to develop the different play types and create new opportunities.

Summer bingo July 25

Please make sure it is in a safe and good enough condition for children to use.



OPAL SUMMER BINGO JULY 2025



Internet Safety



If your child has their own phone, you might want to have a look at <u>this toolkit</u> for talking to your child about phone use.

Notices and Reminders



Choir Stall

Walking Bus

Thank-you to Mrs Munden and Mrs Nurse who have run the 'bus' on Fridays this term. It will continue next term and start up again on Friday 5th September. If any parents would like to take responsibility for running it on other days, please let us know.

Uniform for September

All children will be expected back in school uniform after the holidays. See our <u>uniform</u> <u>policy</u> for details New <u>branded item</u>s can be bought from Game, Set and Match in Chichester. Other items can be bought from many outlets. (supermarkets and high street stores).

Two changes are as follows:

From September children may wear black trainers as their school shoes. These should be all black (white soles are permitted). Other trainers will NOT be permitted as school shoes (but may be worn for PE). Our children are always active and wearing trainers compliments how

busy they are. However, this needs to be balanced with ensuring that the children are smart. They may, of course, still wear black shoes if preferred.

For Forest School children will be required to wear jeans, leggings or track suit trousers with their **school T-shirt and sweatshirt or cardigan.** On colder days, they may bring an additional top to wear on top of their school one.

Please support your child to wear the correct uniform. Repeated uniform offences will have consequences and you will be called to bring in the correct uniform.

There is also an excellent 2nd hand uniform shop - details are below.

Meal ordering

Please ensure that meals for the first week back are ordered by 21st August.

medication and inhalers

Start of term

All pupils in Year 1-6 are expected back in school on Thursday 4th September. YR will start the following week.

Forest School and PE days

These will be confirmed at the end of the first week back- Friday 5th September for the following wee. There will be no Forest School or PE on the first Thursday and Friday of term.

School Sport kit- if you have any of our school kit at home, **please return it tomorrow**. - North Mundham dark green adidas shirts, Bright green running tops and Football kit.

School Books

Please return any school books tomorrow especially the phonics scheme so that we can redistribute next term.

School Money debts

If you have any outstanding payments on school money, please settle them by the end of the week. We do make amendments to costs for those who request it but we do hope that everyone is able to make the contribution required. Moving forwards, we won't be able to fund extra opportunities, if some people do not pay.

Thank-you for your understanding and help in these matters



PTA Superstars!

Wanted

Chairperson a Secretary

v/ Are you a natural organiser?

v/ Do you love a good list and a tidy inbox? v/ Want to make a BIG difference at our School?

Chairperson

The captain of our ship!

Lead meetings, help plan events enthusiasm required... crown optional!

- No experience needed
- Just need a willingness to get involved
- Friendly support from the current team

Secretary

The master of minutes! Keep everyone in the loop, help with planning and make sure our great ideas don't get forgotten.

Want to find out more?

Come and chat at the bake sale on the 11 th July



EVERYONE1SWELCOME

PTA

North Mundham Primary School



Annual General Meeting

Stay informed and get involved.

Wine and nibbles

Come and help steer the projects we fund and the activities that we run next year.

School Hall - 6:30pm

Tuesday 9th September 2025



JC sports club flyer



Day Time Club

PMWednesday3:20 - 4:20Multi SportsAMThursday7:45 - 8:35Gymnastics



Please note clubs wil not run the week of 27th October



DATES

W/C 15th September - W/C 25th December



LOCATION

North Mundham Primary The St, Clapham, Worthing BN13 3UU

PRICE

£5.50

Dates for the diary



22nd July Year 6 Leavers' assembly- 9am

22nd July- 3.30 Choir stall- drinks and ice cream 3.20- Y5 and 6 playground

22nd July- break up.

21st Aug- order school meals by then for 1st week back.

3rd September- INSET Day

4th September- return to school

9th September - PTA AGM- everyone is welcome.

17th September - Y3 to Butser*

3rd October PTA social event

27th-31st October- half term

19th December- break up

INSET 25-26

Wednesday 3rd September

(other dates to be confirmed)

Summer Term 2

Summer 2- 2nd June- 22nd July

West Sussex Term Dates 25-26

Autumn 1 Wed 3rd September (INSET)- 24th October

Autumn 2 3rd November- 19th December

Spring 1 5th January- 13th February

Spring 2- 23rd February- 27th March

Summer 1- 13th April- 22nd May

Summer 2 1st June- 22nd July

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