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Dear Parents/Carers,

Harvest Festival

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our Harvest Festival. We are very thankful that we can pass on our donations to families who are in need of a little support.



PGL Isle of Wight

This year we caught the ferry from Southampton, which gave the children a different perspective of The Solent. For some of the children it was their first time on a ferry and it was great seeing all of the children's faces as we passed huge tankers, saw the refinery and the many sailing boats.

Once we arrive at PGL, we always go to the beach and have lunch. The weather was fantastic and the children beach combed and paddled in the water. After a couple of hours, the children were having an orientating visit around the site and were very excited seeing their new homes for the next three nights.

During the next three days, the children challenged themselves on various activities including trapeze, abseiling, challenge course and of course the intrepid giant swing. The children constantly challenged themselves, nurtured each other and inspired all.

The children made the weekend so special and enjoyable. I am so grateful to each and everyone of them! A huge thank you to Mrs Carter and Mrs Gill for accompanying the children and allowing us to give the children experiences they will remember for a long time.





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Childrens Work

Beautiful painting by Bethany (Elm), but do you recognise which famous painting inspired her?



Maple Class

The children were set the challenge of guessing how many books there are currently in Petworth Library.

Well done to Poppy, Archie and Zuzia who had the closest guesses(the total was 4813!). Each received a book from the library.

Thank you to Petworth library and Jody Cork for the books!





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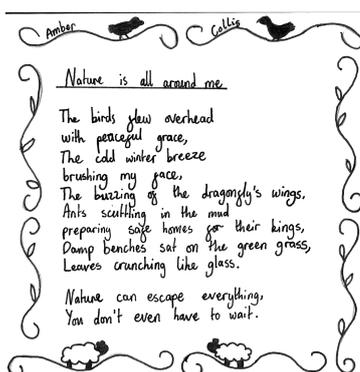
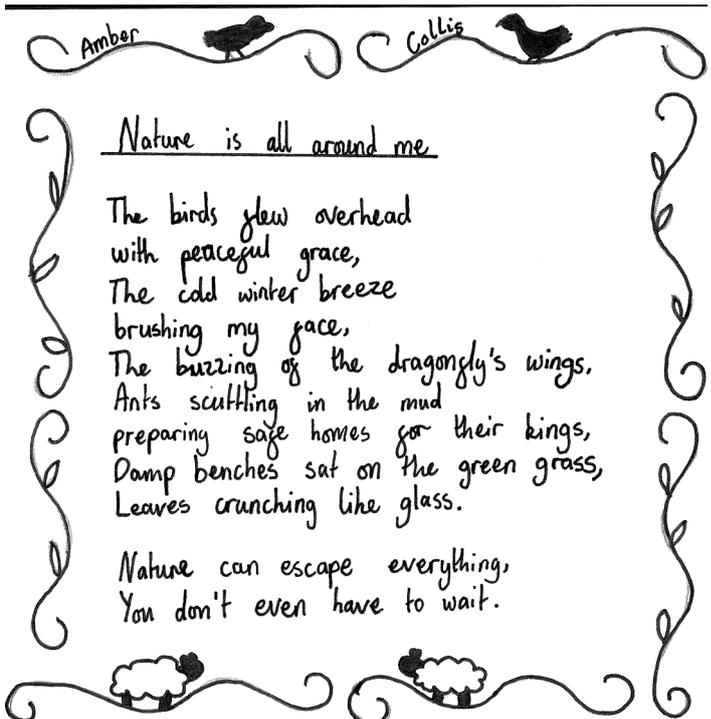
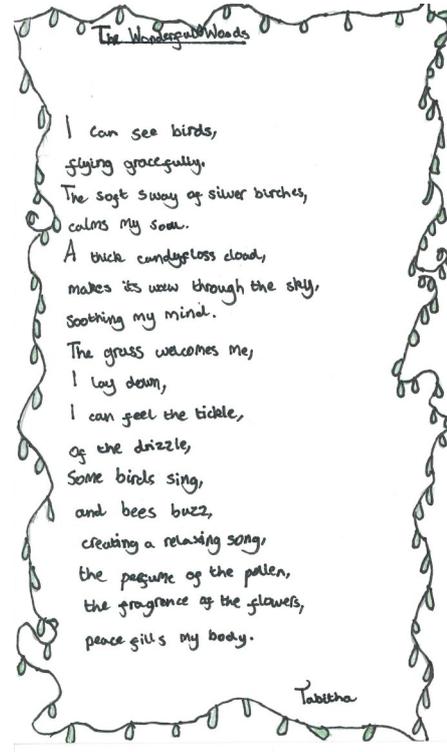
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Antosh Wojcik Visit

On Thursday this week, Antosh Wojcik, a published poet, worked with year 6 to help them write poems inspired by nature, specifically our school grounds. They used the National Poetry Day theme of 'refuge' for their creations and came up with some superb ideas. While we were outside, we were lucky enough to spot several birds of prey and a beautiful dragon fly, which was enjoying taking a break beside our trampolines!

Some of these poems will be on display at Petworth's Literary Festival in coming weeks, so look out!

Thanks to Sussex Arts Council for funding this great opportunity.



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Nature is all around me

A swarm of song-birds flying gracefully overhead,
I can hear their melodious melody glowing through the trees
The buzzing of insects,
I can smell the damp vegetation,
The cold winter breeze brushes my shoulders, like hackles
rippling up a cat's back,
Sweet, fragrant glowers send dancing sensations,
I can touch the brambles and thistles, prickling my
suntips,
I feel the joyful treasures of nature. *Lottie A*

Lottie

Nature Here!

I can see the South Downs
hidden behind gorges and mist;
goats standing there ground
giving you the omnibus eyes,
I can feel the bumps on the
mint leaves brushing my hand,
the splintering of wooden benches,
the breeze rushes through my
hair like a rush,
I can smell the mint leaves which
are like a freshly opened tube
of toothpaste,
the fragrant flowers smell like
ever-expensive perfume.
I can hear the rustling of
coats as I walk down the
path,
the clonking of stones
A Kite rustling in the grass
for prey.

Remy

Nature is all around me

I can smell the fresh
morning air,
I see birds swooping
over the peaceful landscape
The leaves crunch under my feet
like the breaking of ice,
I feel the light velvet
leaves brush my legs.
The cold breeze slips
my face.
I can see willow
swaying in the wind
I feel the magic of nature,
It gives me peace
to be in the wild
The birds chirp as I sit down
to relax.

Hector

Ambassadors

Congratulations to Lottie and Remy who were voted by the children to represent the school this year as our School Ambassadors. I know they will do a wonderful job.

Easyfundraising

We have registered Petworth CofE Primary School with #easyfundraising, which means over 7,000 brands will now donate to us for FREE every time you use #easyfundraising to shop with them. These donations will help SO MUCH, so please sign up to support us – it's completely FREE and doesn't take long. https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/petworthprimary/?utm_source=facebook&utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=pmc&utm_content=gs-fb1



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Albion Cup Adventure

After a nightmare minibus journey, which took 80 minutes, the girls were raring to go and enjoy playing at the AMEX Elite Football Performance Centre on Tuesday 10th October. As always we have three targets...have fun, score one goal and win a game.

Our first game on the 2023/24 Albion Cup was against Swiss Gardens and after dominating most of the half, they scored on the break to lead 1-0. We continued to play the second half with the same intensity and through some very good teamwork, Scarlet scored two quick goals. A frantic last couple of minutes, with both teams having chances, however we prevailed to win 2-1.

Immediately we played our next games against St. Nicholas and St. Mary. They were very good and led 2-0 at half-time. Once again we started strongly in the second half, and an amazing free kick from Scarlet made the score 2-1. As we pressed forward looking for an equaliser, they scored two more on the break to eventually win 4-1.

Our next game was Southwater, who were a very strong side. We went down 1-0 early and it would have been more if it had not been for some excellent defending from Lottie A and Lyla, with Amber being brave in goal. At half-time Scarlet was very tired, so Flo moved into midfield with Matilda with Lyla upfront. We continued to press, but we could not score an equaliser. Once again, we were hit on the break and Southwater scored a cracker from distance. It may have been another loss, however the girls did brilliantly and did not stop trying.

We had a little break and the girls got to meet many of the Brighton Ladies Football squad, with some of the children getting their signatures on their arms.

Our final game was against Summerlea. We started very well as we went into a 2-0 lead with goals from Matilda and Flo. We had several other chances, but we just could get a third. After half-time Summerlea had the majority of the play and soon made it 2-2. Both teams had chances to score a winner, however the final score was 2-2.

Four games, one win, one draw and two defeats. Superb effort from all of the children. Great to see children play football, who have not played much before.

Our children were invited to meet Sam, former Lewes and Wales player, who talked to the children about empowerment. She explained that girls can achieve and do anything that they want to do and not let people try to stop them. A very powerful message to end on.

Squad: Matilda, Scarlet, Amber, Flo, Bethany, Lyla, Lottie B and Lottie A.

Midhurst Rother College Football Tournament

Another fantastic sports competition for Petworth! This time it was the KS2 football team heading across the Midhurst Rother College to take part in a tournament involving fourteen (!) other teams. Our first game was against Camelsdale. Because of the sheer number of teams participating, the length of the game-time was very limited. Fortunately, Scarlet tucked away an early goal and before we knew it the full-time whistle had blown (1-0 Petworth).

Next up was Midhurst. Although there were a few opportunities for both teams, it finished 0-0. Similarly, our game against Easebourne ended in a 0-0 draw, despite a clean strike from Archie T, which hit the crossbar.

We continued to rotate the squad but maintained a solid defence and midfield. Our fourth game was in the knockout stages and we beat Fernhurst 4-0 with a fantastic hat-trick from Mason.

Squad: Jacques, Hector, Albie, Daniel, Matilda, Lottie, Archie T, Mason, Tom and Scarlet.

SPAG Fact

Grammatical Feature : Passive voice

Definition : When a subject or verb has an action Done to them. Often, the subject is not even mentioned.

Example : A window was smashed.

Class Reading Books

Oak Class

Oak Class are currently focusing on 'Colour Monster' and are looking at non-fiction books.

Rowan Class

Rowan Class are currently reading 'Mousey's Brighton' by Jo Gibson.

Beech Class

Beech Class are currently reading 'The Wild Way Home' by Sophie Kirtley.

Maple Class

Maple Class are currently 'The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe' by C S Lewis.

Elm Class

Elm Class are currently reading 'Kensuke's Kingdom' by Michael Morpurgo.



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Dates for your Diary 2023/2024

Fri	20	Oct	Break up for Half Term
Mon	30	Oct	Inset Day School Closed
Tues	31	Oct	Back to School 8.30am
Tues	31	Oct	Year 6 Bikeability Week
Tues	31	Oct	Rowan Class Brighton Trip
Thurs	2	Nov	Willow Class Forest School
Thurs	2	Nov	Ash/Rowan Class Night-time Experience 3.15pm to 5pm
Thurs	16	Nov	PPSA Disco (details to follow)
Fri	17	Nov	Children In Need pyjamas, onesie or dressing gown
Thurs	30	Nov	Willow Class last Forest School Session
Fri	24	Nov	Elm Class last Swimming Lesson
Fri	1	Dec	PPSA Christmas Fair
Thurs	7	Dec	Whole School Flu Jabs
Sat	9	Dec	PPSA Christmas (details to follow)
Tues	12	Dec	Chartwells Christmas Lunch
Weds	15	Dec	Whole School Panto
Thurs	14	Dec	PPSA Elfridges
Fri	15	Dec	End of Autumn Term 3.15pm
Tues	2	Jan	Back to School Start of the Spring Term 8.30am
Thurs	4	Jan	Elm Class Forest School
Fri	12	Jan	Maple Class Swimming Lessons
Thurs	1	Feb	Elm Class last Forest School Session
Fri	9	Feb	Crab Football Intra Sports Event
Fri	9	Feb	Break up for Half Term
Mon	19	Feb	Inset Day School Closed
Tues	20	Feb	Back to School 8.30am
Thurs	22	Feb	Beech Class Forest School
Weds	20	Mar	KS2 Handball Intra Sports Event
Thurs	21	Mar	Beech Class last Forest School Session
Fri	22	Mar	Maple Class last Swimming Lesson
Thurs	28	Mar	End of Spring Term 3.15pm
Mon	15	Apr	Back to School Start of the Summer Term 8.30am
Thurs	18	Apr	Rowan Class Forest School
Fri	26	Apr	Beech Class Swimming Lessons
Mon	6	May	Bank Holiday School Closed
Thurs	16	May	Rowan Class Last Forest School Session
Fri	24	May	Whole School Cross Country Intra Sports Event
Fri	24	May	Break up for half Term

Mon	3	June	Inset Day School Closed
Tues	4	June	Back to School 8.30am
Weds	5	June	KS2 Cricket Intra Sports Event
Thurs	6	June	Oak Class Forest School
Fri	14	June	No Beech Class Swimming Lessons
Weds	26	June	Sports Day
Thurs	27	June	Oak Class last Forest School Session
Mon	1	July	Olympic Week
Fri	12	July	Beech Class last Swimming Lesson
Fri	19	July	Swimming Gala
Tues	23	July	End of Summer Term 3.15pm
Mon	2	Sept	Back to School Start of the Autumn Term 8.30am

Please click on the link below for further dates in the school calendar.
www.petworth.w-sussex.sch.uk/web/calendar/9194

Inset Days 2023/2024

Mon	30	October
Mon	19	February
Mon	3	June



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JOIN US
SUNDAY 29TH OCTOBER
HALLOWEEN FUN NIGHT
AT PETWORTH PARK SPORTS
FROM 5PM
BAR & FOOD
FUN & GAMES
SPOOKY TREATS
PRIZES FOR BEST COSTUMES!
ALL MEMBERS AND GUESTS WELCOME!
WWW.PETWORTHPARKSPORTS.CO.UK

MONSTER SCHOOL
24TH-27TH OCTOBER
SCAN TO BOOK
Get ready for a bewitching experience at Sky Park Farm this October half term event! From spine-tingling creepy crafts to mysterious special guests. Dive into a world of creativity, crafting eerie masterpieces. Hosted by our resident witch, the excitement is set to soar.
Join us for ghoulishly good fun, where imagination knows no bounds. Monster School promises an unforgettable, frightfully fancy adventure for all little monsters. Don't miss out on the most hauntingly delightful experience of the season!
Visit skyparkfarm.com for more information

MRC Parents Presents
FIREWORKS NIGHT 2023
Friday 3rd November
Gates open 6.00pm
KAREN WILLIAMS HAIR
Search for MRC PARENTS
Hot food & snacks
Licensed Bar
Raffle to start the display
No parking onsite (disabled parking available if booked)
OUR SPONSORS: Midhurst Town - in conjunction with CDC
midhurst town team
CHESTER District Council
SHO local
COWDRAY
EPC COMEDY
MacDonald Oates LLP
Midhurst Rother College
North Street, Midhurst
Midhurst Rother College
The best in everyone™

Stars NC
NETBALL MINI'S
Holbrook club sports hall, Horsham
5 to 7 year olds
Tuesdays (starting 27th June)
5pm to 6pm
£5 a session (pay as you play session)
If interested please contact Starsncminis@gmail.com



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Kaleidoscope
Pre-school

Halloween Party

on Saturday 28th October
at Kaleidoscope Pre-school, Hampers Green
from 10am- 12 noon

Disco ★ Fancy dress competition ★ Cake sale
Arts & crafts ★ Snacks ★ Party games

£2 per person
or
£5 per family of four

See you there for a
Ja-BOO-lous time!

Kids Eat Free!

Available 23-27 October only at red.h Midhurst.

A maximum of two children, under 12yrs old, can eat free, when one adult main course is ordered and paid for.

The children's meal must be chosen from our Kid's Menu.

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