



### AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS RESTART W/C 20<sup>TH</sup> APRIL!

Dear Parents/Carers

As we approach the Easter break, I want to extend my warmest wishes to all our pupils, families, and staff. Easter is a joyful time in the Christian calendar, celebrating hope, renewal, and the promise of new life. In our Church of England school, this season reminds us that every challenge offers the chance for a fresh beginning. May the coming days bring rest, reflection, and a renewed sense of purpose. Thank you for your continued support, and I wish you all a peaceful and happy Easter, with warmth and gratitude always.

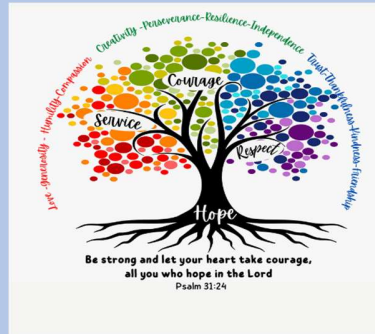
Mr. Murray

#### School Uniform

School uniform can now be purchased **online** from Ricara Littlehampton!



### WEEKLY REFLECTION



*Give all your worries and cares to God for He cares about you.*

**Peter 5:7**

**Gardening Club** have been busy tidying up at the front of the school - removing moss from between the block paving is a particularly popular activity. Ferring Nurseries kindly donated some lovely flowers which the children have enjoyed planting.

We have also received a large amount of compost (and bark chips for the Forest School area) from Fargro which we have used to replenish our raised beds ready for planting.

**If anyone has any spare plants we could have, we would be very grateful.**

Let's hope we have a fine spring and summer to help our gardens grow!

#### St Mary's Community Walk!

Please see the attached poster regarding our exciting 'Clymping Community Walk'. We are working in conjunction with Rev. Rich and St Mary's Church to further strengthen our relationship. We are hosting a joint fundraising event, and we are hopeful you will be able to join us. Please pop this in your calendar. More information to follow after Easter.

#### This week's Attendance figures for the school are:

Attendance – 94.9 %

Authorised Absence – 5.1 %

Unauthorised Absence – 0.9 %

Lates – 1.6 %

Thank you for helping to keep your child at school this term. Please try and ensure your child is at school on time.

Please keep an eye on your child's individual results on MCAS and ensure you follow the NHS guidance if you believe your child is too ill to come to school.

*If you have any news, children's achievements out of school or community events you would like to see in the newsletter, please do let Mr. Murray know.*



## Event Dates

**Please note - new dates are added in red**

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March to Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2026 – Easter Holiday  
Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026 – First day of Summer Term 1  
Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2026 – Jenkins Class Trip to the Fishbourne Roman Palace  
**Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2026 – St Mary's Community Walk, 10:30am**  
Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2026 – May Day Bank Holiday  
Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2026 – Festival of Flowers Enrichment Day  
**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May – Jenkins Class Roman Dress-up**  
**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May – Oliver Class Book-Look**  
Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2026 – Year R NCMP at 9.00am  
Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May – Inset Day  
Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026 – last day of Summer Term 1  
**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> to Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2026 – Half Term Break**  
**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2026 – Farrant Class Trip to WWT**  
**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2026 – PTA “Topsy Turvy Tuesday”**  
**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2026 – Year 6 trip to Chichester**  
**Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2026 – Year 6 Leavers Service at Chichester Cathedral**  
**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2026 – Sports Day and Summer Fayre**  
**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2026 – RESERVE DATE for Sports Day and Summer Fayre**  
**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> to Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2026 – Year 6 Residential Trip to Cobnor**  
**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2026 – Last Day of Summer Term**  
**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2026 – Inset Day**

Please read the communication re: wraparound care.  
Thank you.

## Sponsorships

**If you know of any local businesses who may be willing to sponsor us, please come and talk to Mr. Murray.**

**St Mary's School and St Mary's  
Church invite you to join the**

# **Clymping Community Walk**



**Sat. 2nd May**



**The walk will start at 10:30am at St Mary's  
School, followed by a cake sale and barbecue  
at the school in the afternoon.**

**Enjoy a lovely day out on a group walk through the Clymping  
countryside, combining communities from the church and  
school. Participants will have the option of walking a long or  
short route, and are encouraged to ask friends and family to  
sponsor their efforts. Children must be accompanied by an  
adult. Details to follow after the Easter holidays.**

**All proceeds will be shared evenly between  
St Mary's School and St Mary's Church.**



**CHARLOTTE READER DANCE**

**@ ST MARY'S C OF E**



**LEARN NEW SKILLS, GAIN CONFIDENCE, HAVE FUN!**

**NEW TERM  
STARTS  
13<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY**

**STREET DANCE  
TUESDAYS 8AM-8.45AM**

**JOIN US FOR A NEW TERM  
(£57 FOR 12 WEEKS)**

**OPEN TO CHILDREN IN YEAR 1-6**



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# EASTER

## High Street Events

Wednesday 1 &  
Thursday 9 April  
11:00 - 15:00

Littlehampton  
High Street BN17 5ED



Wednesday 1 April 11:00 - 15:00

## EASTER EGGSTRAVAGANZA

**Crafts - Drop-in activities available throughout the event**  
**Meet the Easter Bunny and Alice in Wonderland 11:30 - 13:00**  
**Magician 13:00 - 14:00 | Dragon Puppet Show 13:45 - 14:30**  
**Soft play and children's rides | Face painting**  
**Community Stalls - including Littlehampton District Lions, Littlehampton Museum, and Community Fridge**  
**AYP Connect - Activities and sessions for teenagers**  
**Local shops will be hosting activities**



Thursday 9 April 11:00 - 15:00

## EASTER COMMUNITY EVENT

**Community performances featuring Sussex Steel, Elderly Brothers, and more.**  
**A variety of community stalls with tasters, freebies and information on how to get involved.**  
**Super Mario and Rapunzel character walkabout 11:30-13:00**  
**Littlehampton Library - Storytime sessions**  
**Soft play and children's rides**  
**Face painting**  
**Circus performances by Kate Poi 11:00-15:00**  
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## FRIDAY MARKET

Offering a selection of unique stalls and local produce, the general market runs every Friday between 9:00 to 15:00 in the High Street.

Featuring traditional market stalls such as fruit and veg, butcher, cheesemonger, baker and fish seller. In addition to essentials, there are stalls ranging from clothing to pet supplies as well as handcrafted items and much more.

Pop along to see what bargains you can find whilst supporting local businesses in the Town Centre.

If you are interested in having a stall at the market, please contact the operator: [littlehamptongeneralmarket@gmail.com](mailto:littlehamptongeneralmarket@gmail.com)



# LITTLEHAMPTON FOOD & DRINK FESTIVAL

**Saturday 11 - Sunday 12 April 2026**

Littlehampton Food & Drink Festival lands on the High Street with a food-focused feast of fun for the whole family.

A celebration of food and drink with grocery foods, street foods, live music, bars and entertainment for children.

Taste the best of local produce alongside the exotic flavours of world street eats at Littlehampton's spring time street festival. For more information, please visit <https://www.zoomevents.co.uk/events/littlehampton-food-and-drink-festival-2026>

**Saturday: 9am - 7pm Sunday: 10am - 6pm**

**Subject to license approvals,  
look out for more information on social media channels.**

\*Please note opening times may vary slightly up to and during the event.



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# Easter holiday camps

Sessions run by experienced & qualified teachers,  
coaches & School Games Organisers. Activities include:

**Football, Tag rugby, Golf, Athletics, Striking  
& Fielding, Arts & Crafts and much more!**

*Please note activities may vary daily*

Bookings open **Monday 2nd March** (limited places available)

**Arena Sports Centre 09:00-15:00**

**School years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7** (Academic year 24-25)

Date **Monday 30th March - Thursday 2nd April**

(Individual day bookings available)

**£19.75 or £74 for all 4 days! - Includes a hot meal!**

All children accessing benefits related free school meals can access for free via HAF, check with West Sussex County Council for more information.

**HAF places please book via the WSCC website:**

**[www.westsussex.gov.uk/haf](http://www.westsussex.gov.uk/haf)**

**Booking deadline Wednesday 25th March**

Please contact us for booking:

**Tel 01243 870000 [www.arenasportscentre.com](http://www.arenasportscentre.com)**

Email **[bookings@arenasportscentre.com](mailto:bookings@arenasportscentre.com)**

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**SPRING HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES**  
**30 MARCH - 1 APRIL 2026**  
Bognor Regis, Crawley, Horsham, Worthing

Music activities for children & young people

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# SPRING HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

30 MARCH - 1 APRIL 2026

## Rap & Lyric writing

**BOGNOR REGIS - The Phoenix Centre, PO21 5JD**

Explore the fundamentals of rap and songwriting. From rhythm and flow to crafting compelling stories through lyrics. This hands-on workshop encourages creativity, self-expression, and collaboration – whether you're new to rap or have experience, you'll gain practical tips to enhance your songwriting skills.

## Music Production & DJ

**CRAWLEY - The Mill Primary Academy, RH11 0EL**

Get a hands-on introduction to music creation and mixing. Learn beat-making, sound design, track arrangement with professional tools, DJ-ing, beatmatching, and seamless transitions. This workshop offers practical skills and insights into both the creative and technical aspects of music production.

## Play In A Band

**WORTHING - Northbrook College, BN12 6NU**

Come and experience Northbrook College's state of the art music studios to form a rock or pop band. Collaborate on covers and originals, and develop song arrangement, stage confidence, and live performance techniques.

## The Enchanted Cinema

**CRAWLEY, HORSHAM & WORTHING**

Join a pop-up orchestra creating live soundtracks & using hand-crafted visuals inspired by magical on-screen worlds from beloved animated film classics. For ages 8-16, all abilities welcome and all equipment provided.

Join for one or more days, lunch will be provided for **free**

**Free** for those in receipt of free school meals

**£39** per day for those paying  
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