



WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL

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*'Growing thoughtful learners and independent thinkers'*

*Honesty, Equality, Aspiration, Respect, Resilience, Responsibility, Trust*

### NEWSLETTER 6: 24 November 2015

**We are looking forward to seeing you at the FOSS Christmas Fair this Friday to mark the start of the festive season.**

#### Welcome to Kim Horner – new governor

My name is Kim Horner and you recently elected me as a Parent Governor. Thank you! This is my first time as a Governor, and I am already enjoying the insight into behind the scenes of Summerlea! Everyone truly is hard working and dedicated to maintaining Summerlea as the superb school that it is – the recent Ofsted report clearly recognised this. I am particularly keen on encouraging the children's development as individuals, as well as striving for educational success. I have a daughter who is in Year 2, and loves Summerlea life. Outside school, she enjoys Gymnastics, Beavers, and spending time with family and cousins, some of whom are spread all over Europe! My Husband is a hard working Plumber who loves Rugby, and we've all been watching the recent World Cup at home. I work full time as a Sales Director in the Food Industry, ensuring that the British people get their Fresh Milk. It's a job that never stops (the cows don't stop milking, even for Christmas!), and one that gives me new challenges every day. Playing my part in ensuring that us Parents are represented in the running and future of the school is important to me, and I would encourage you all to contact me, or the Governing Body, if there are things you would like discussed. I am looking forward to being involved in making a difference to our children's educational and personal developmental lives.

If you have a question, concern or suggestion please email [governors@summerleaschool.co.uk](mailto:governors@summerleaschool.co.uk)



#### Week beginning 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov:

Book Fair this week in the hall Mon-Thurs  
3.00-3.45pm

Thurs 26<sup>th</sup> – 3.00-4.30pm Santa's Grotto  
6.30-8.30pm Sleep Clinic

Fri 27<sup>th</sup> – 3.15-5.30pm FOSS Christmas Fair

#### Week beginning 30<sup>th</sup> Nov:

Year 6 Bikeability Week

Sat 5<sup>th</sup> Dec – Rustington Christmas Fair



*Please also see the previously issued term dates for the academic year and key events for the autumn term, as well as separate letters for more information.*



Networked Learning Communities



### Fantastic Fundraising!

Thank you to everyone for supporting the recent Poppy Appeal. We raised an excellent £177.14 for the Royal British Legion.



Thank you also for all of your donations in aid of Children in Need. Children designed posters, sold official merchandise and some even created their own! The 'brighten up someone's day' themed non-uniform day was also extremely well received with some very original, colourful costumes and clothing combinations! In total an incredible £591.93 was raised – a new Summerlea School record for Children in Need. Thank you to Mrs McConnochie for organising this and encouraging great participation by everyone.

### Parking

Once again, we must include a feature about parking following more complaints from local residents.

Please respect the fact that **Taylor Close is private**. Please do not park here, even for a few minutes.

**Balmoral Close** has **numbered parking spaces** and these are for use by **residents only**. Please do not park here either.

The new Travel Plan team are currently working on a Parking Promise to encourage parents to park responsibly and legally. If you witness dangerous or disrespectful parking please do report it to the police on the 101 non-emergency number.

Thank you for your support and co-operation.



Headteacher:

*Helen Morris*

### New Learning Support Assistant

We are delighted to welcome Mrs Brittany Turvey to our team of brilliant Learning Support Assistants. Mrs Turvey was a Midday Meal Supervisor here at Summerlea and so knows the school and lots of the children well already. She also has two children of her own here. Mrs Turvey will be based in EYFS and Key Stage 1 in the first instance.



### Is your child entitled to Free School Meals?

If you get any of the following the answer could be yes!

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseekers Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit

Children who get any of the above benefits in their own right (i.e. they get benefit payments directly, instead of through a parent or guardian) can also get free school meals.

**Please remember that even if your child doesn't want to have the free meal they could still benefit in other ways, through the Pupil Premium funding we would receive as a school.**

If you think you might qualify, please speak to Mrs Jo Maxted, School Business Manager, in confidence.



Are you entitled?

### Is your child adopted?

The criteria for Adopted children is:

*Children who have ceased to be looked after by a local authority in England and Wales because of adoption, a special guardianship order, a child arrangements order or a residence order.*

If your child is adopted and we are not already aware of this, please do come and speak to us in confidence. We may be able to offer support to you and your child.

## The 100-word challenge

### Week beginning: 2<sup>nd</sup> November

*It is hard to do this fortnight's winners justice as they were both so beautifully presented. Oliver's was a book with several pages and illustrations and Eimear's was an eye-catching poster. You can view the original pieces of work on our 100 word challenge display in the hall.*

#### Key Stage 1 winner

##### Bread and Germs Investigation

###### All about germs

*Do you know that some germs can sometimes be good for you and the good germs can fight the bad germs? And they make you poorly and they make us sad.*

###### What the bread is like today

*Today the bread has got lots of germs on it now and they are red and I have never seen red germs.*

*The bread is changing over the weeks and is very mouldy.*

*To make the mould work you need to touch the bread.*

*The end. Thank you for watching.*

*Written by Oliver (Oak Class, Year 2)*

***Mrs Hawkins set the children a science investigation all about germs.  
The challenge was to write about it in 100 words or less!***



#### Key Stage 2 winner

##### Germs

*It's very important to wash your hands because even though you can't see them there are lots of little germs on your hands that can spread to others.*

*In our classes we have been doing an experiment. We have wiped our hands all over a piece of bread. Then we washed our hands and wiped them all over another piece of bread and looked to see if it had changed.*

*You should always wash your hands before and after:*

- *After you go to the toilet*
- *Before you eat*
- *After you sneeze*
- *After playing with pets*
- *After playing in the garden*

### Time to read and reflect

We hope you have enjoyed reading these pieces of writing. It would be lovely if you could spend some time sharing and discussing them with your child. Below are some suggestions of things you could think and talk about together.

Oliver has used headings. Why has he done this? Can you think of any others he could have used? Eimear has thought about hand washing in terms of before and after. Can you think of any other examples?

# Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND)



What does a SEND Information Advice and Support Service look like?



If you are a parent carer with a child or young person with SEND then we want to know:

What you would like from an Information, Advice and Support Service? and

How you would like to access this Service?

You can let us know your views by:

- Completing and returning one of our Postcards (FREEPOST)
- Completing an online survey [www.surveymonkey.com/r/TGF68DX](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TGF68DX)
- Attending an event hosted by West Sussex Parent Carer Forum: further details are available at [WSPCF.org.uk](http://WSPCF.org.uk) or you can contact the Forum on: 01903 726188.



You can find out more information about the Information, Advice and Support Service in Chapter 2 of the SEND Code of Practice 2015 [www.tinyurl.com/omv3tpc](https://www.tinyurl.com/omv3tpc)