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NEWSLETTER 7: 7 December 2015

**Wishing all our families and friends of the school a very
Happy Christmas and New Year.**

Welcome to Scott Bennett – new governor

I moved to Rustington in 2008 from East Sussex. My wife, Tara, has lived here since 1998. We have four children and have calculated that by the time our youngest leaves Summerlea, we will have been a part of its community for nearly a quarter of a century. As a profession, I head the IT consulting department at an international firm, headquartered in West Sussex. It may not sound very exciting but it is a very varied job, which might see me wielding a screwdriver in the morning and presenting to the senior management of a multi-national business in the afternoon. I may be in Goring one day and Georgia the next. Or maybe, Slough. I used to have lots of hobbies. Now I have lots of kids, so I have their hobbies: Art, Brownies, martial arts and jumping up and down in muddy puddles. I am occasionally allowed to escape to the garden. As a new parent governor, there is a steep learning curve, but I am both proud and privileged to have been elected. Thank you for voting for me! If you have a question, concern or suggestion please email governors@summerleaschool.co.uk



Week beginning 7th Dec:

No teacher led clubs or Pro Coaching

Mon 7th – 9am EYFS Nativity
2pm KS1 Christmas Performance

Tue 8th – 9am EYFS Nativity
2pm KS1 Christmas Performance

Wed 9th – 9am KS1 Christmas Performance
2.30pm Chestnut Class parent meeting

Thur 10th – Chartwells Christmas Lunch

Sat 12th – Carols at Arundel Cathedral

Week beginning 14th Dec:

No teacher led clubs or Pro Coaching

Mon 14th – 10.15am Year 3 & 4 Christmas Concert
7pm Candlelit Carols

Tue 15th – 10.15am Year 5 & 6 Christmas Concert

Wed 16th – Year 1 Pantomime Visit

Fri 18th – Last day of term

Monday 4th January 2016 – INSET – school closed
School re-opens on Tuesday 5th January 2016

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





Cracking Fundraising!

A huge thank you from governors, staff and FOSS for the amazing support we had from parents, other family members and friends at our Christmas Fair on Friday 27th November. Well done to all of the children too who played a big part in organising and running stalls. There was a fantastic turn out on the day and a lovely festive atmosphere around the school. The fair raised over £3,000 for which we are extremely grateful. Monies raised through FOSS events this academic year are going towards improvements teachers and children want to make to the outdoor areas at school. Initially, we are hoping to develop the Key Stage 1 outdoor area with a cover, new play areas and resources and then revitalise the Key Stage 2 trim trail. Thank you to external stall holders, to everyone who came to the fair to spend their pennies, for volunteering on the day with setting up and down, for your tombola and cake donations and to families who offered raffle prizes. We are so thankful for your support and could not make events such as this successful without you.



Congratulations Libby!

You may remember, back in July, Libby Pritchard cut off her ponytail for charity. Earlier this term she was then nominated for the Worthing Herald Community Stars Awards. Libby attended these awards last Thursday 3rd December and we are delighted that she won Inspirational Star 2015! Libby was surprised but very happy and brought her special award into school so that it could be shared and celebrated in a whole school assembly. Thank you to all the staff and families at Summerlea for supporting Libby and voting for her. This has raised great awareness of the Enable Me charity. Well done Libby – this was really well deserved and we are all very proud of you!

Headteacher:

Helen Morris

End of day collection arrangements

Just a reminder to all parents and carers that if you arrive late to collect your child from their classroom at the end of the day, your child will be brought up to the front office as teachers often have after school commitments such as clubs and meetings. If you know you are going to be late please ring the office to let us know – we can then reassure your child you are on your way! Thank you.



Facebook

If you have a concern about something to do with your child's experience at school we would like to suggest that the best possible route to resolve this is to come and talk to the class teacher or a member of the leadership team as soon as possible. Airing your concerns on Facebook will resolve nothing and will in fact, in all likelihood, make it worse. Whether in open or closed groups we do get to hear of such Facebook conversations. Please also ensure you are safeguarding our children and be mindful of making comments where pupils may be identifiable, even if they are unnamed. If you feel there is an issue that is important to you and your child, please talk to us, as we are the ones who can work with you to resolve it. Thank you for your support and cooperation.

WE WILL MISS YOU



Goodbye and thank you!

Two of our class teachers, Miss Cox-Aldridge and Mrs Arnold, will sadly be leaving our school at the end of this term. We wish them every success in the future and hope they will come back to visit soon. A big thank you for all they have done for our school and its children during their time at Summerlea. We look forward to welcoming Miss Gunn and Miss Lentz to the Lower Key Stage 2 teaching team in the New Year.

The 100-word challenge

Week beginning: 23rd November

Mrs Robins' couldn't resist having a go at this fortnight's challenge...

*I found this challenge quite **exciting**
How to get these words into one piece of writing
How should I do it, I just don't know
As a **lion** and a **cornflake** really don't go...
So I **drum** my fingers on the table
Of this challenge am I able?
But then my mind it really **danced**
As I found it had happened just by chance!*

Key Stage 1 winner

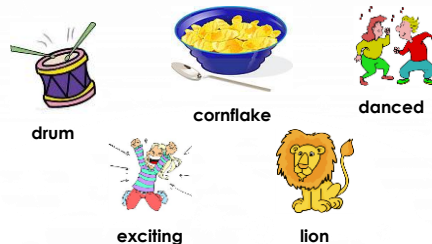
*Once upon a time there lived a girl called Ruby. She went downstairs but she only got one **cornflake** in her bowl. She went outside where she found a **lion** playing a **drum**; it was **exciting** to see a lion. Ruby **danced** her head off! Then Ruby went home and went to bed.*

Written by Tharaki (Hawthorn Class, Year 2)

The challenge this fortnight...

Five words

These words must all be in your writing but can be in any order:



Key Stage 2 winner

*Once there were two brothers called Dan and Alfie, they both liked playing the **drum**. That morning they had **cornflakes** for breakfast. They were on their way to school and realised there was an exciting fair. They went to the fair and saw a friendly **lion** and dancing clowns. When they got home they went to bed. The next day it was Dan's birthday. Dan went downstairs to open his presents. He got a drum, a packet of cornflakes and the most **exciting** present of all - a lion that had eaten the clown and now it **danced**.*

Written by Dan and Alfie (Beech Class, Year 4)

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.

Tharaki, Dan and Alfie have all used some of the given words more than once or they have changed the words slightly - can you see where?

Why not set your own five word challenge for a family member or friend?



Beginners & Improvers

Ballroom&Latin Monday 6.30-7.30pm

Sequence Dances Monday 7.30-8.30pm

Intermediate Ballroom&Latin 8.30-9.30pm

Simple Jive Class Tuesday 8.00-9.00P

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Intermediate Line Dancing 7.30-8.80pm

DANCE-FIT TUESDAY 7.00-8.00.PM

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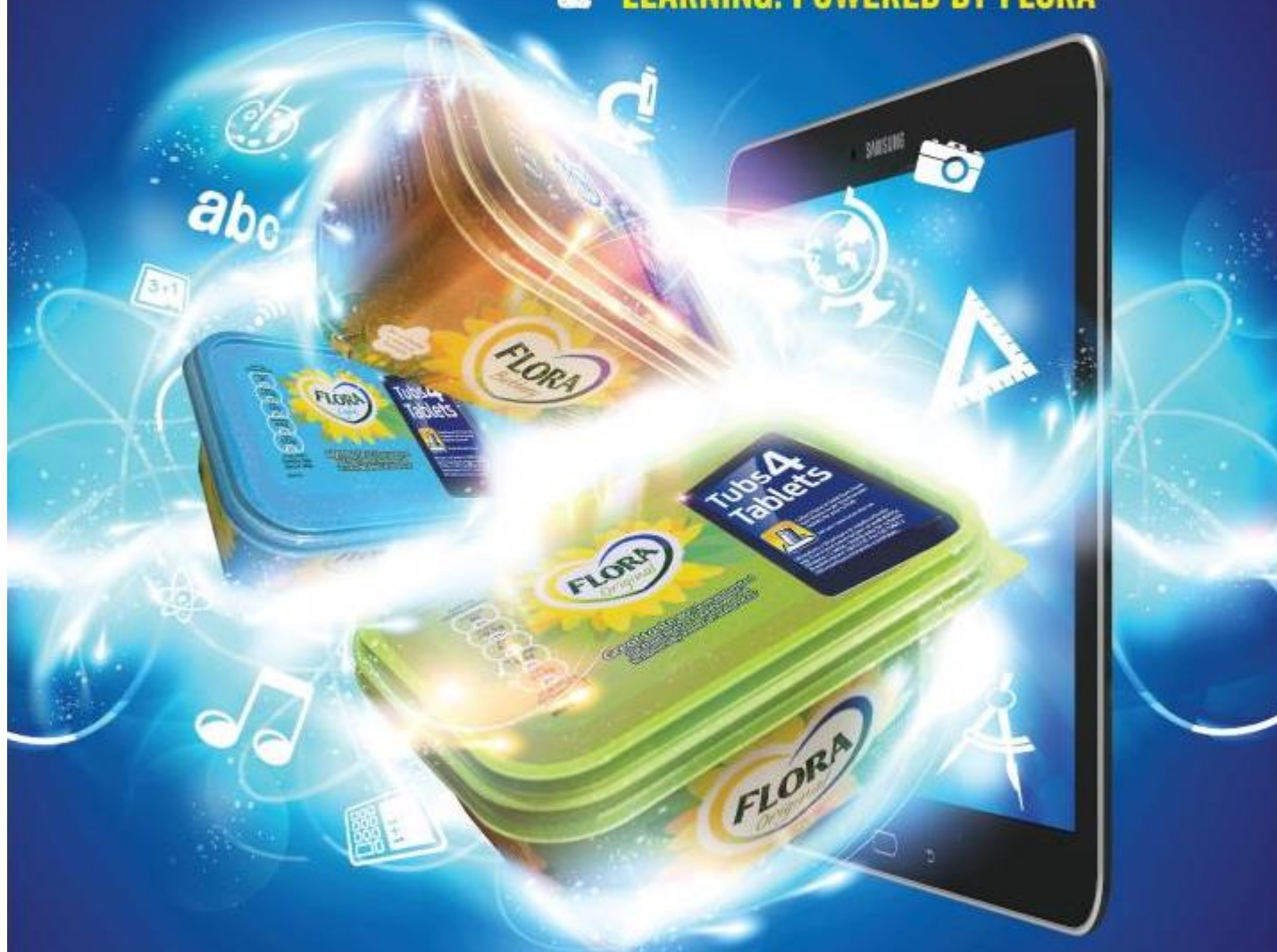
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