NEWSLETTER NO.1

September 2026

Headteacher: Mr J Cox

An Inspiring Place to Grow, Believe and Achieve Life in All its Fullness.

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Head's Message



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the start of a brand-new school year! I hope you and your families enjoyed a restful and refreshing summer break. It is always a joy to see the children return with such enthusiasm, ready to learn, reconnect with friends and embrace the opportunities that lie ahead.

As we begin this academic year, we do so with a real sense of momentum, building on the positive foundations established together last year. Our recent OFSTED inspection was a wonderful celebration of the strength of our school community and the way our shared vision shapes daily life at Ferring Church of England Primary School.

Our vision remains at the heart of all that we do: *'An inspiring place to grow, believe and achieve life in all its fullness.'* (John 10:10). This year, we continue to explore what it means to grow with love, believe with hope and achieve with joy. Guided by our school rules—ready, respectful and safe—we encourage every child to be an 'agent of change', making a difference both within our school and beyond.

I look forward to working closely with you once again this year as we build on our successes and strive for excellence for all. Together, staff, families and children will continue to create a nurturing, ambitious and inspiring environment where every member of our community can flourish.

Mr J Cox

Headteacher

Collective Worship

Each half term, collective worship will focus on a particular Christian value. Reverend Robin and Reverend Shirley will lead worship in school on Wednesdays.

This half term our worship focus is: **Thank-** **fulness**

Autumn Term: Grow with **Love**	
Thankfulness	Trust
Spring Term: Believe with **Hope**	
Courage	Justice
Summer Term: Achieve with **Joy**	
Friendship	Respect

Attendance Matters



Coming to school everyday is vitally important to ensure that children can make good progress with their learning and social and emotional development. This year, the Department for Education have issued new statutory guidance for schools with the aim being to reduce unauthorised holiday during term time. This includes an increased cost when a Fixed Penalty Notice is issued.

Please support us to support your child in achieving their very best through promoting good attendance at school. Please read our Attendance Policy on the school website for further information.

Hall of Fame



Each week on a Friday, we will celebrate children who have lived out our school vision. Those who have demonstrated growing with love, believing with hope and achieving with joy will be inducted into our Ferring Hall of Fame. Pictures of our school's wonderful role models will be on our Hall of Fame display in our school reception area and a certificate will come home to celebrate each child's individual achievement.

If your child has achieved something outside of school e.g. a swimming **certificate**, gymnastics **medal**, football **trophy**, cubs **badge**...then we would love to celebrate that too. To take part, children need to bring in their items to celebrate on a Friday morning and hand them to their class teacher.

Hall of Fame 11.9.26

Year 1: Albert A

Year 2: Millie D

Year 3: Reuben HH

Year 4: Henry K

Year 5: Finley HG

Year 6: Bowie CH

Hall of Fame 18.9.26

Year 1: Olive CN

Year 2: Zach D

Year 3: Ralphie B

Year 4: Thea W

Year 5: *trip*

Year 6: Charlotte T

Hall of Fame 25.9.26

Year 1: Billy W

Year 2: Joshua T

Year 3: Huxley L

Year 4: Louis L

Year 5: Aiden M

Year 6: Maisie P

Back to School Briefing

It was wonderful to see so many parents and carers in attendance at our back to school briefing. Building strong home-school partnerships is very important to our school community. If you were unable to attend the briefing and would like your child's class teacher to share the information they presented, please notify the office.

Class Welcome Letters and Curriculum Information

We hope that you have read the autumn term letters that were sent out on Weduc. These contain important information about your child's class routines, including homework expectations. Supporting your child's learning at home through getting into good routines of regular retrieval or fluency practice help to consolidate the work that we are doing in school and all efforts are very much welcomed.

Reception



Year 1



Year 2



Year 3



Year 4



Year 5



Year 6:



Parent Consultations—Monday 19th October and Thursday 22nd October 15:30—18:30

SchoolCloud is live for bookings via the link https://ferring.schoolcloud.co.uk/ Booking will close on 16th October at 3pm.

If you are a parent of a child on the school's SEND Register or has an EHCP, we offer you a face-to-face meeting instead of the online one. This is to give us an opportunity to discuss your child's I.S.P. in more depth. Please DO NOT book an appointment on School Cloud, but email the school office to fix a face-to-face meeting instead. Thank you.

Please remember that parent consultation evenings are not the only times throughout the academic year when you can meet with your child's class teacher. If you require a meeting with your child's class teacher throughout the school year, please contact the school office and we will do our best to accommodate your request at the earliest convenience.

Spot Light on Sport

Children are required to wear their PE kit to school on the days when they have PE. Please see the table which outlines which days each class/year group has PE.

What day does my child have PE/ Games?
Monday Year 1 Year 2
Tuesday Year 3 Year 6
Wednesday Year 2 Year 4 Year 5
Thursday Year R Year 3 Year 4
Friday Year 1 Year 5

We do not expect all PE kit to have the Ferring CofE logo on, however children should not wear sports clothing that has sport club badges or excessive logos.

Our school is part of the Angmering locality sports partnership. This partnership is a pathway to a range of inclusive and competitive sporting opportunities. We hope to raise our school's participation in these locality events so every child at Ferring has the opportunity to grow, believe and achieve through sport. Regardless of your child's experience or ability we hope to use these opportunities to build their self esteem, resilience and foster a love for an active and healthy lifestyle. Please look out for invites and event dates on Reach More Parents, Weduc. If you would like to discuss opportunities for your child to participate in these locality events, please email office@ferring.w-sussex.sch.uk

School Improvement Priorities

Each year our school is required to identify areas that need to be developed and possibly improved. We have based these on our latest SIAMS and OFSTED reports. These become the basis of the School's Improvement Plan and throughout the year staff, governors and children work together to achieve these targets. By sharing our **priorities** with you the parents, you will be able to work with us to ensure that our flourishing school becomes even more successful!



Spotlight on Safeguarding



'Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility, every day'

At Ferring CE Primary School, safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children is everyone's responsibility and a top priority. Everyone who comes in to contact with the children and families within our community has a role to play.



Everything that we do has the children at its centre. Their wellbeing, their safety, their achievement and their happiness underpins every decision we make. Often when safe-guarding is mentioned, the immediate thought is about child protection – when a child is suffering harm, or is in danger of suffering harm. However, safeguarding is much more complex than this and encompasses a very wide range of areas.

At Ferring CE Primary School, we ensure that all of our staff and volunteers are well trained in all aspects of safeguarding and this training is regularly updated and frequently revisited throughout the year. We also ensure that our curriculum provides the children with age-appropriate opportunities to learn how to keep themselves healthy and safe. With this in mind our monthly newsletters provide you with key information around a range of safeguarding issues.

If you would like to volunteer in school to help with reading or regularly with clubs or trips you will need a DBS and to have attended a safeguarding session. These safeguarding sessions can be organised and delivered by Miss Squires (Assistant Headteacher).

What is a Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL)?

Each school must have an appropriate senior member of staff to take lead responsibility for child protection. Key aspects of the 'Designated Safeguarding Lead' role include:

✓ Making sure all staff are aware how to raise safeguarding concerns

✓ Ensuring all staff understand the symptoms of child abuse and neglect

✓ Referring any concerns to social care

✓ Working with children who are the subject of child protection plans

✓ Maintaining accurate and secure child protection records

✓ Raising awareness of the school's safeguarding policies and procedures, and ensuring they are implemented and reviewed regularly

Who are our DSLs?

Miss Vivienne Squires - DSL

Mr James Cox - Deputy DSL

Mr David Munro – Safeguarding Governor





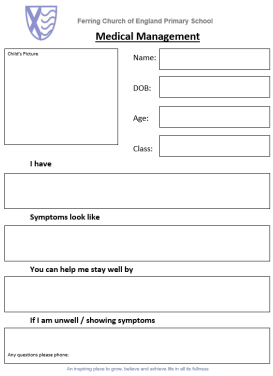


If you suspect a child is being abused or is in danger of being abused, please contact a Designated Safeguarding Lead, or any member of staff. You can contact the Integrated Front Door (IFD) call on 01403 229900 (weekdays 9am – 5pm). The out of office hours (5pm – 8am weekdays) and 24-hour emergency number on weekends and bank holidays is 0330 222 6664. If a child is in immediate danger, call the Police immediately on 999.

Helpful Reminders

Medication

If your child uses an asthma inhaler or requires medication during the school day, please ensure that the office has up to date details of the treatments required and that you have completed the relevant medical management paperwork. Please remember we can only administer prescribed medication such as antibiotics if it is required 4 times a day, in line with the West Sussex County Council medical policy.


Ferring Church of England Primary School

Medical Management

Child's Picture

Name:

DOB:

Age:

Class:

I have

Symptoms look like

You can help me stay well by

If I am unwell / showing symptoms

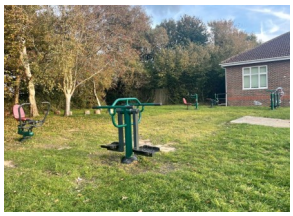
Any questions please phone:

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Emergency Contact Numbers and Collection During the School Day

It is important that we have the correct contact numbers on which to reach you in case of emergency. If you have recently changed your telephone numbers, please inform the office as soon as possible. If you need to collect your child from school during the school day, please go to the main entrance/office.



Play/Gym Equipment

Children are not permitted to use the play equipment before or after school. This also applies to younger/older siblings. Please ensure that your children remain supervised and stay on the playground with you during these times.

Jewellery

For safety reasons, children should not wear jewellery in school. Children with pierced ears should wear studs only please. Plain, dark colour watches, but not the smart watches, are permitted. In accordance with advice from West Sussex County Council, jewellery may not be worn for any physical activity. All earrings should be taken out by the children for their PE lessons, watches removed and long hair tied back.

Parking on Site & Inconsiderate Parking

Parking is not permitted on the school grounds unless prior arrangement has been agreed with the headteacher. We have received considerably less complaints regarding inconsiderate and dangerous parking outside the school over the last two terms. Sadly, this continues to be a problem for many other schools. The Police ask that parents make a note of registration numbers and report the same day to www.operationcrackdown.org



Whilst we understand that parking at drop off and pick up times can be very frustrating the safety of the children is paramount and we once again ask that all parents/carers are considerate. Please also respect local residents by not blocking driveways or disabled access ramps.

Water

Children are encouraged to bring a named water bottle to school to keep in class. Children are only permitted to have plain water in their drink bottles. They are able to take drinks of water from this throughout the day. Juice, squash or flavoured water are not permitted.

Morning 'Drop Off'

The support and overwhelming success of morning 'drop offs' may not be evident to our entire school community but it has been transformational for many families and has significantly improved the start to learning in our classrooms. Decisions such as how children transition into school are always centred around the children.



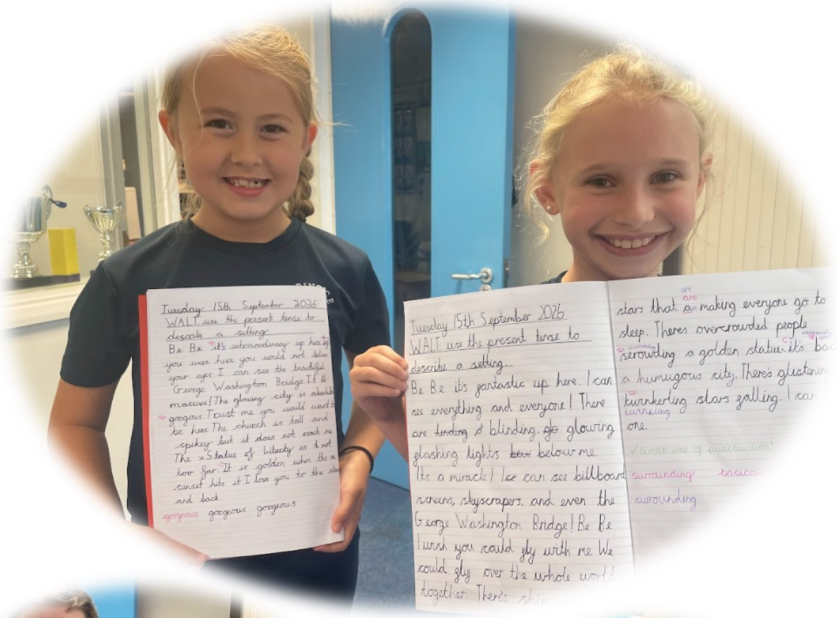


We recognise each child is a unique individual and we will continue to reflect this in the provisions and strategies that we agree with parents and carers to give everybody the best possible start to the school day. If mornings are tricky or there is a day that requires additional support for your child to start school, please inform the office and your child's class teacher at the earliest opportunity.

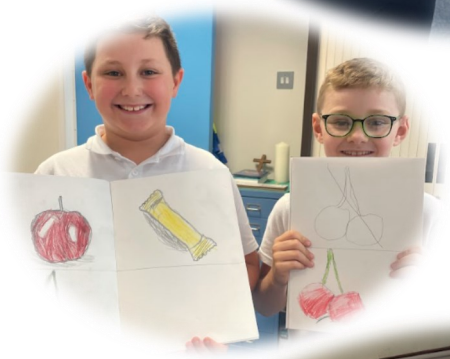
Thank you for your continued support.

A Window Into Our Curriculum—Autumn term





Newsfeed—Reach More Parents, Weduc This term, teachers will use the 'Newsfeed' on Reach More Parents to give our school community a window into your child's learning and our school's engaging curriculum. Reach More Parents, Weduc is our sole communication platform to parents.









Welcome to Ocean Class

A very warm welcome to our newest cohort of Reception pupils and their families. As we come to the end of our first month together, it already feels as though the children have always been a part of our school community. The efforts of each child, alongside the support of their families, have ensured a joyful and positive start to the academic year.







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west sussex county council

Was your child born between 1 September 2022 and 31 August 2023?

If so they are eligible to start school in September 2027

Apply online!

It's simple, convenient and time-saving.
If your application is received after the deadline, your chance of securing a place at one of your preference schools could be seriously affected.

You can apply online from **Monday 5 October 2026**.
If you would like further advice or information, phone: **03330 142 903**.

Deadline: **Friday 15 January 2027**

Free internet access to apply online is available at all West Sussex libraries.



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Is your child due to transfer to secondary school in September 2027?

Apply online!

It's simple, convenient and time-saving.
If your application is received after the deadline, your chance of securing a place at one of your preference schools could be seriously affected.

You can apply online from **Monday 7 September 2026**.
If you would like further advice or information, phone: **03330 142 903**.

Deadline: **Saturday 31 October 2026**

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Thurs 1 October
The Angmering School

18:30 - 20:30 (Doors open 18:15)
Over 18s only

Reserve your free seat Scan the QR code or visit:
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Our Guest Speakers



Simon Liley

Headteacher The Angmering School



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Speaker, host, podcaster, actor & broadcaster



Mandy Marshall-Taylor

Associate - Naked Truth



Carla Grant

Founder - Our Online Stories



Dr Sharmila Jeyasingh MBBS FRCPCH

Consultant Paediatrician



Daniel Sykes

Cyber Protect Officer Surrey/Sussex Police

IT'S TIME FOR OUR CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION!

Primary school children across Worthing West aged 4-11 are being invited to design Dr Beccy Cooper MP's Christmas card this year

This year's theme is 'Christmas in Worthing West' - Beccy will choose a winning design featuring a scene from across the constituency







Entries should be emailed to beccy.cooper.mp@parliament.uk or posted to 6 Railway Approach, Worthing, BN11 1UR by Sunday 25th October

Include child's name, age, school, parent/guardian name, email and phone number

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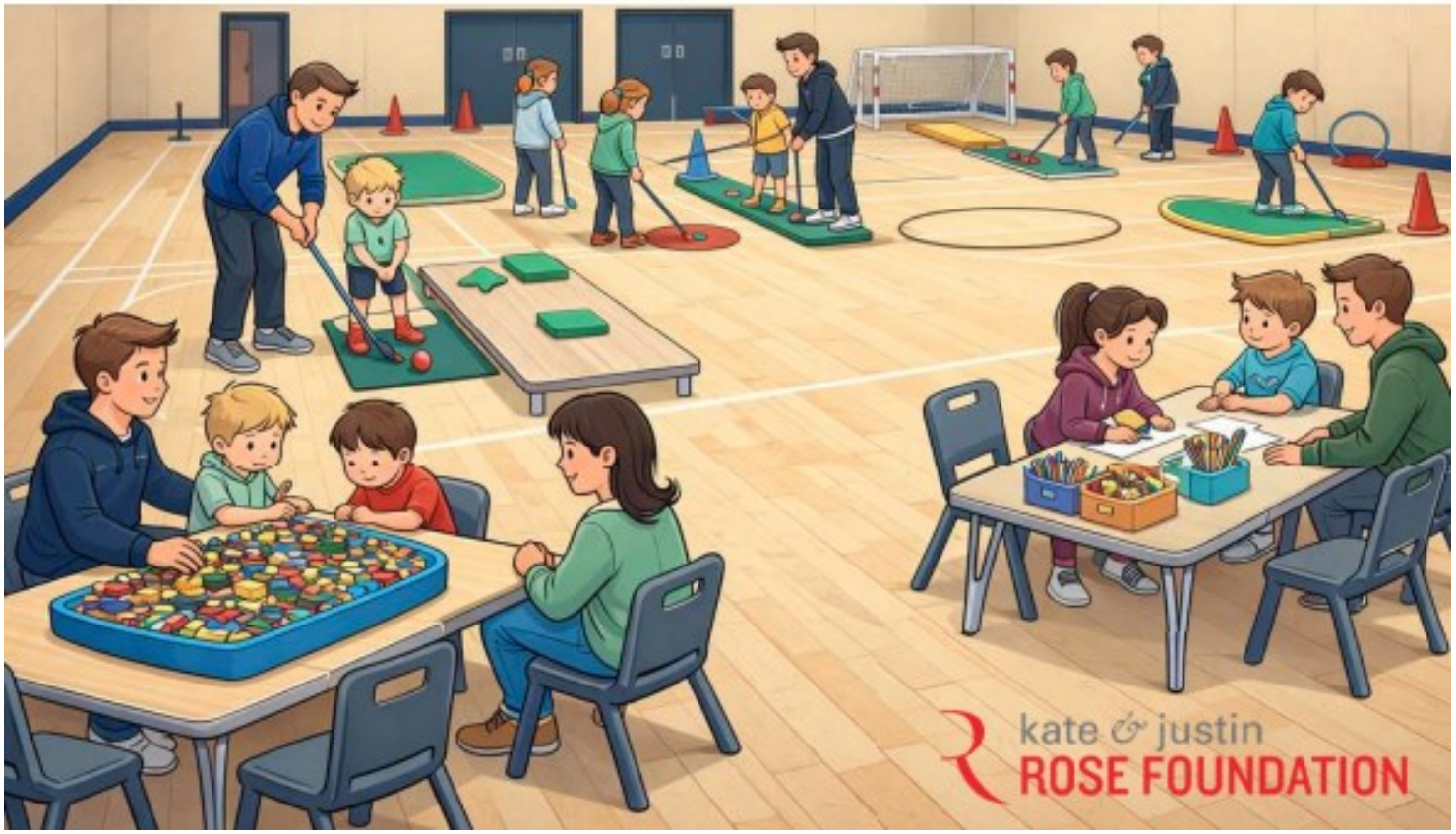
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West Sussex SENDIAS Service

Is your child starting primary school or transferring to junior or secondary school in September 2027?

Do you think, for whatever reason, you may struggle with the Admissions process?

Secondary School

Online applications open:

Monday 7 September 2026.

Deadline for applying for a secondary school place for your child is:

Saturday 31 October 2026.

Primary School (inc. infant/junior)

Online applications open:

Monday 5 October 2026.

Deadline for applying for a school place for your child is:

Friday 15 January 2027.

For more information on the admissions process: **www.westsussex.gov.uk/admissions**

If so, the West Sussex SENDIAS Service can:

- explain the admissions process to you
- help you to make an informed decision about your child's schools of preference
- help you to fill in the online application form.

Please contact the SENDIAS Service:

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Do I need to keep my child off school?

HSC Public Health Agency

