



SLINFOLD CE PRIMARY SCHOOL
AND PRE-SCHOOL

Caring for each other, learning from each other,
achieving with each other... guided by God



Newsletter

8th November 2024

Over the last few weeks the children have been working incredibly hard on their presentation and writing. It has been wonderful to see so much improvement in the style and form of the children's letters, words and sentences!

I have enjoyed visiting the children in Brook class who have been creating some wonderful poppy and firework art pieces. In Medway, it has been a joy to see the children getting so enthusiastic over their writing stimulus, why not ask your child about what happened to their writing books!

It has been brilliant to see all our children working hard on their maths problems, keep up the great work everyone!

This Sunday will see the village high street close for the remembrance service. If you are able to join the service then please do.



Church services – Keep up to date by logging on to St Peter's page on Facebook or the website: www.stpeterslinfold.co.uk

For more information contact our churchwarden, Vicky Burrell for visits, baptisms or weddings. She can be contacted on 790477 or email vickyslinchurch@gmail.com

Weekly services held at St Peter's:

Holy Communion - 9.30am 1st, 2nd and 4th Sundays in each month.

Young in Faith – Family Service 10am 3rd Sundays – all ages welcome to a simple celebration

Mid-week Holy Communion – 10 a.m. Thursdays 2nd and 4th Thursday only

During school holidays the services at 9.30am will be Family Communion, all ages welcome.

Don't forget Sunday's Cool at St Peter's.

Sunday's Cool - Every Sunday in term time (except the 3rd) in the village hall 9.15am

Clerking opportunity at School

The Governors at Slinfold School are looking for someone to clerk their full Governing body meetings. This is a **PAID**, flexible role and we are looking for an efficient and effective person to help organise us and ensure we are fulfilling our legal responsibilities. Our full governing body meetings take place in the later afternoon during term time, six times a year, with some occasional ad hoc meetings that require minuting. The clerk is responsible for preparing and distributing the agenda, taking minutes during the meeting and writing them up afterwards as well as providing professional support for governors. Some experience in this type of work would be an advantage but not essential as training can be provided.

For further information please email the Chair of Governors, Sarah Elphick, selphick@slinfold.w-sussex.sch.uk for further information or speak to Iain Campbell (Headteacher)

A prayer for those affected by flooding in Spain

God of compassion,
you hear the cries of all who are in trouble or distress;
accept our prayers for those whose lives are affected by storms and flooding:
strengthen them in their hour of need,
grant them perseverance and courage to face the future
and be to them a firm foundation on which to build their lives;
this we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Reflection

Respect, Courage, Compassion, Responsibility

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Class	Attendance
Hamble	92%
Medway	96%
Arun	94%
Adur	97%
Rother	94%
Whole school	94.7%

Oh no! Our attendance has dipped below the 95% target.



DIARY DATES

Please note that letters about these events will come out to provide more information.

Date	Event
12 th November	Parents Evening
13 th November	Thought-Full Parent Workshop 2:15 – Anxiety
14 th November	Individual school photos
14 th November	Parents Evening
15 th November	Children In Need
20 th November	Multi-skills festival
5 th December	Christingle Church Service
6 th December	School Disco
10 th December	Nativity Dress Rehearsal
11 th December	Nativity
12 th December	Nativity
13 th December	Adur Cake Sale
18 th December	Christmas lunch
19 th December	Carol Service
20 th December	School closes at 1:30pm
6 th January	INSET day no school
7 th January	Start of Spring term

On Wednesday 6th November, we took a group of children to compete in The Weald Cross Country event against other local primary schools. The children showed real determination, supporting each other as they ran. Arlo came 5th in the Year 3/4 boy's race, Fynn came 6th in the Year 6 boy's race and Kim came 10th in the Year 5 girl's race! Well done for everyone for taking part in such a brilliant event!

Mental health and well-being

Thought-Full are currently seeking parent and carer views about engagement with schools. All the information received will be used to inform what advice Thought-Full give to schools to improve engagement from parents and carers and how we can support schools further. All information obtained will be anonymous. We have produced a short survey for parents and carers to complete which can be accessed [here](#).

Polite Parking

Please can I kindly ask you to switch off your engines when waiting outside on the road!

Can we also ask that you drive at the new speed of 20mph through the village.

Spotlight on Safeguarding

Taken from nscpsc.org.uk

What can I do to help my child feel less lonely?

You could try making an action plan with them. This could look like:

Communicating openly

Try to talk and listen to your child regularly and without judgement, acknowledging and validating their feelings as much as possible.



Understanding the cause

Work together to figure out why your child is feeling lonely.

Encouraging socialising

You could help your child practice social interactions through role playing. And you might see if there are any clubs or groups your child might be interested in joining.

Building their confidence

When you notice your child is making progress or putting in effort, it's important to acknowledge this and praise them, even if the steps they're taking are small.

Creating a supportive environment

Spending regular, quality time with your child will help them feel supported by you. You can also encourage them to express themselves and their feelings in a way that's safe and that they enjoy.

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