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NEWSLETTER - NOVEMBER 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you all had an enjoyable half term week with your children. The next half term is already looking busy, with lots of events going on in the run up to Christmas, so please keep an eye out for ParentMail messages to keep you up to date.

Please can I remind you that nobody should be parking on the yellow zigzag lines outside the school. The lines have been painted there to ensure that there is clear visibility and it is safe to walk up to the school. By parking on the lines, drivers are compromising the safety of the children. I have also had complaints again from residents and some parents, who have had parents and carers from the school parking dangerously or inconsiderately in the immediate area, including right on the junction into Hawkins Close. As a school community, we need to have positive relationships with our neighbours and keep everyone safe, so please show consideration when parking near the school. Finally, please can I remind you that you should not be driving onto the school site to drop off or pick up unless you have had permission to use our disabled spaces.

With regards

Mrs Sally Dreckmann
Headteacher

Dates for your Diary

Please see the attached sheet of dates for your diary for the Autumn Term. Any new dates added since the last newsletter are in **red**.



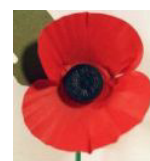
Science Week

Our science week certainly went with a bang! We are very grateful to everyone who provided experiments from home. The children found it fascinating! We hope to put some photos on our website within the next week or two so please take a look.



Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

From Friday this week until Remembrance Day, we will be selling poppies (and other goodies) after school from the grassed turning circle if you would like to make a donation. Thank you for your support.



BBC Children in Need - Friday 18th November

We will be supporting Children in Need again this year - all children are very welcome to come to school in fancy dress, or just non-uniform. Donations of £1.00 would be really appreciated towards this very worthwhile charity. Thank you!



Nourishing Our Nation

Harvest Festival

It is not too late for you to bring in a food donation to support the Chichester based

charity, UK Harvest (many thanks to those families who have already sent in a donation). We would welcome any 'cupboard items' such as tins, jars, packets etc. Please can these be handed to either the class teacher or school office by Friday 4th November at the latest.

Flu Vaccinations

If your child missed the recent flu vaccination in school, it is not too late to book an appointment at one of the Community Catch up Clinics.

1. Click on the link
www.susseximmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu
2. Enter and confirm your preferred email address (you will receive a confirmation email following submission of the consent form).
3. Enter the school code (SX125928)
4. Complete and submit the consent form, indicating your choice of consent.
5. You will then need to click on the link
www.susseximmunisations.co.uk/clinicbooking/booking to book an appointment at one of the Community Catch up Clinics (quoting the booking reference number which you will receive in the confirmation email). Please do contact Sharon in the office if you are having any difficulties.

Christmas Concerts

Tickets for all concerts will be available from class teachers on Monday 21st November - you **must** bring your ticket with you to the concert. There will be two tickets available per family for all the concerts taking place.

We would appreciate it if you try not to bring babies or toddlers along, but if you have to, they can come to some of the concerts (see diary notes below). Can we please ask that you remove them from the hall if they are noisy or cause a distraction to the children - the adults work so hard to help them to learn the songs and their lines and they can be so easily distracted. Thank you ☺

The children will be voting in their classes on which charity we will be supporting this year.

Christmas Dinner

A special Christmas dinner will be served by Chartwells on Wednesday 14th December.



Mains: Roast Turkey or Quorn fillet
with roast potatoes, carrots, peas,
stuffing, mini sausage and gravy

Desserts: Shortbread Christmas tree or choice of fruit
Milk, water or fruit squash

If your child usually has a packed lunch on a Wednesday, but would like to have the free Christmas Dinner, please let the office know by **Friday 25th November**, as we will have to order extra food. Thank you.

Makaton

At Rose Green Infant School, we believe all children have the right to feel happy and safe in their learning environment. One way we encourage this is by talking with and listening to them every day. For some children, talking is not always easy so we use visual resources and actions to support them. We have had fantastic training to use *Makaton* with our pupils; a fun, interactive and inclusive way to communicate.



'*Makaton* is a unique language programme that uses symbols, signs and speech to enable people to communicate. ... With *Makaton*, signs are used, with speech, in spoken word order. This helps provide extra clues about what someone is saying. Using signs can help people who have no speech or whose speech is unclear.' (www.makaton.org)



We will be learning a new sign every week so please look out for our '*Makaton Magic*' in the newsletter each month and have fun signing and talking with your children! We also use video clips from CBeebies '*Something Special*'. Use the link below to explore some Makaton Magic with your family and friends!

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/watch/playlist-something-special-really-useful-makaton-signs>

Please see the attached sheet showing the signs the children have been learning during October.

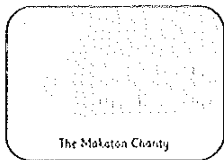
A Plea

Please, please could we ask that:

- If your child is having packed lunches, as a healthy school we ask that you do not put any sweets or bars of chocolate such as mars bars in lunchboxes. We also ask that you avoid putting any nut products i.e. peanut butter or Nutella sandwiches in lunchboxes as we have two children in school with a severe allergy to nuts. Also if your child brings a yoghurt for lunch, please can you remember to provide them with a spoon.
- For health and safety, please can your child avoid wearing hooped earrings to school. All earrings need to be covered with tape during PE (please provide your child with a reel of micro pore tape that can be kept in their drawer). Thank you.

Dates for your Diary - more details to follow (New dates in **Red**)

Event	Date	Time
Harvest food collection	13 th October - 5 th November	
Parent Consultations	17 th - 20 th October and 31 st October - 4 th November	
PTA Disco	Friday 4 th November 3.00 - 4.00 pm Reception 4.15 - 5.30 pm Years 1 & 2	
Y2 Dental Hygiene Day	Thursday 10 th November	
Anti-bullying week	14 th - 18 th November	
Open evening at Junior School for Year 2 prospective parents	Thursday 17 th November	5.00 pm
Children in Need (non-uniform day)	Friday 18 th November	all day
Christmas Fair	Friday 2 nd December	5.00 - 7.00 pm
Reception Christmas Concert	Wednesday 7 th December	2.15 pm
Reception Christmas Concert (no pre-school children please)	Thursday 8 th December	9.15 am
Save the Children Fund Christmas Jumper Day	Friday 9 th December	
PTA Christmas Shop	Friday 9 th December	am
Year 1 Christmas Concert	Tuesday 13 th December	2.00 pm
Christmas Lunch	Wednesday 14 th December	
Year 1 Christmas Concert (no pre-school children please)	Wednesday 14 th December	9.15 am
Year 2 Christmas Concert	Wednesday 14 th December	2.15 pm
Year 2 Christmas Concert (no pre-school children please)	Thursday 15 th December	9.15 am
Christmas holidays	19 th December - 2 nd January	
Inset Day	Tuesday 3 rd January	
Start of Spring Term for children	Wednesday 4 th January	

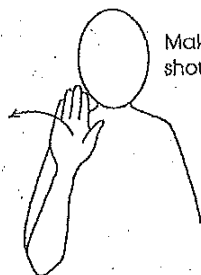


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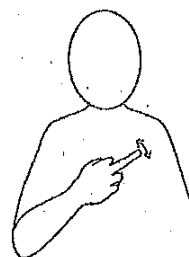
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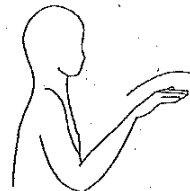
Make sign at shoulder height



Toilet



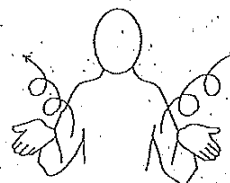
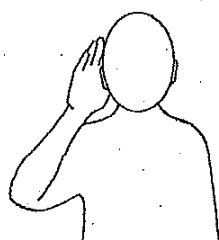
Friends



Outside



To Listen



Play

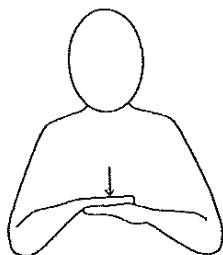


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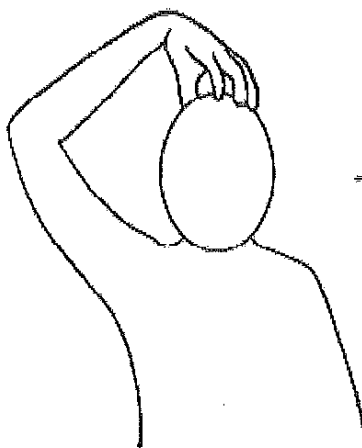
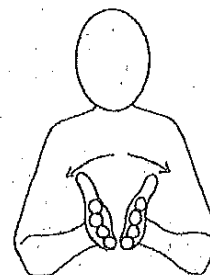
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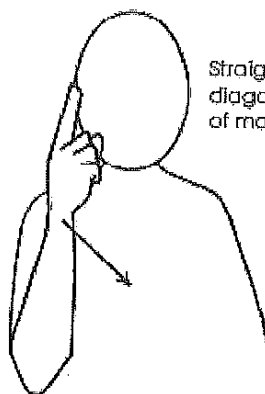
To Sit



Book



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Straight finger moves diagonally to corner of mouth

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