

Newsletter

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Platinum Awards

Congratulations to Liam H, Freddie S, Ivy J, Quinn M and Elsie C who have received their Platinum Award from Mr Meek.

Class Attendance

Congratulations to those classes who have achieved over 97% with their attendance.

From Friday 14 December 2018 to Thursday 7 February 2019 class attendance was as follows:

Class	%
4AH	97.6
6SC	97.6
2CN	97.1
3EB	97.0

Pedestrian Gate

We are currently experiencing issues with our green pedestrian gate, unfortunately the speaker is faulty which means that our office team cannot hear you or speak to you, the fault has been reported and we hope it will be fixed shortly. We apologise for any delay this causes with our office team allowing you access to the Academy, please be assured that the gate is secure.

School Car Park

We would like to remind all parents that the school car park is for staff, visitors and blue badge disabled parking only. Parents delivering to breakfast club and/or collecting from an after school club are requested to park outside, the pedestrian gate automatically opens between 4.00pm and 4.30pm so you do not need to buzz the gate for entry during this time. We thank you for your co-operation.

Operation Crackdown

As many of you are aware, we are continuing to experience problems with parking outside the school at pick up and drop off time. Unfortunately we have now had to take this up with both the local authority and the local police. Both authorities have advised us to ask those that report inconsiderate parking to report it directly via Operation Crackdown, an initiative between Sussex authorities, the police and other relevant organisations.

The website for Operation Crackdown is below, so please do report your concerns directly to them also:

<https://www.eastsussex.gov.uk/roadsandtransport/roads/roadsafety/operationcrackdown/>

Reporting Absences

Parents & Carers have a responsibility to contact the school on a daily basis to report any child absences. The school register is a legal document which must be recorded accurately. Messages can be left on the school's absence line 01323 841466 (option 1), please leave a message before 9.30am.

End of Day Messages

If you need to inform us of a change to who will pick your child up that day, please let us know as early as you can. Our office team are receiving many late notice messages which can cause a delay to your child being allowed home.

Scooters and Bikes

Please remind your children to be mindful of others when scooting along pavements, and that scooters and bikes should not be ridden on school grounds, when taking bikes and scooters to put away please walk with them.

East Sussex Music Lessons – Guitar

Information regarding guitar lessons from East Sussex Music Service can be found at the end of this newsletter, if you are interested please contact them directly.

School Uniform

School uniform can now be purchased from our supplier and delivered to the Academy for free. Our supplier is: <https://www.yourschooluniform.com/schools/index/hawkes-farm-academy>

Parent Workshops

Thank you to those parents who have attended our Linguistic Phonics and Reading Reconsidered workshops. Please find below a list of the workshops scheduled for the rest of this academic year:

Workshop	Date	Delivered By
Mastery in Mathematics <i>Making abstract ideas easy</i>	Thursday 7th March 9.30am Burfield 6.00pm Hawkes Farm	Sam Thomas (Maths Lead), Danielle King (Asst. Head/Mathematics Mastery Lead) and Carol Nash (Mathematics Mastery Lead)
Responsive Teaching for Writing <i>Improving the writer to improve the writing</i>	Thursday 28th March 9.30am Hawkes Farm 6.00pm Burfield	Dee Hughes (Head/Writing Lead), Laura Hill (Writing Lead) and Matt Swain (E. Sussex Teaching and Learning Lead)
Supporting Children with Additional Needs <i>A parent's and carer's guide to how we identify, assess and support children with additional needs</i>	Thursday 9th May 9.30am Burfield 6.00pm Hawkes Farm	Sarah Wood (SENCO) and Kerry Hackeson (Senior SEN HLTA)
Text and Context <i>How we help 8-year-olds Master MacBeth</i>	Thursday 13th June 9.30am Hawkes Farm 6.00pm Burfield	Jo Ford (Text and Context Lead) and Lauren Stephens (Text and Context Lead)
The Wider Curriculum <i>How and why we teach every subject discreetly</i>	Thursday 20th June 9.30am Burfield 6.00pm Hawkes Farm	Michael Cotton (Asst. Head/Science Lead) and Matt Swain (E. Sussex Teaching and Learning Lead)

Places on the next workshop can be booked via ParentMail, details will be sent shortly.

Nursery Provision at Burfield Academy

Based on site at Burfield Academy, STEP's Hailsham Nursery (Ofsted rated Good, 2018) is open to all children within the local community. We offer fully funded places of 15 hours per week for all families and 30 hours per week for those eligible for additional government funding. Our vibrant, safe and caring Nursery setting is open daily between 8am and 4pm. We offer the children a wide range of engaging, play-based learning opportunities designed by our expert Early Years team to nurture the key skills each child needs to be ready to start school. Every aspect of the provision is overseen by Burfield Academy's Head of School who has over 15 years' experience leading and delivering excellent early year's provision to East Sussex. If you are interested in finding out more or would like to visit our wonderful Nursery, please contact Mrs Hughes, Head of School, via the school office on 01323 819309.

Please visit www.childcarechoices.gov.uk for further details of the funded hours and to see if you are eligible for the 30 hours funding.

Breakfast Club

Our Breakfast Club begins at 7.45am in the school hall, all children attending can choose from a choice of breakfast. Thank you to those parents that have expressed an interest and registered your children to attend. If you have not already registered your child to attend and you would like for them to do so, please book by ParentMail.

Please do not send your child to Breakfast Club without booking a place as we will be unable to accept them into the club.

After School Club

We recently introduced our After School Club, which currently runs from Tuesday to Thursday. Following parental feedback, we understand that a Monday to Friday provision would meet the needs of many more families. As we are not currently in a position to offer a daily after school provision directly via the Academy, we will be outsourcing the club to EnergyKidz, a reputable after school club provider, from Monday February 25th February 2019. The club will still be held at Hawkes Farm Academy, however we will be in a position to offer the club from Monday – Friday each week from this date on. Details about EnergyKidz and how you can book your child's place can be found towards the end of this newsletter.

Lunch Boxes

At Hawkes Farm Academy, we have several pupils who are allergic to different nuts. To ensure their safety, please could you avoid including products containing nuts in lunch boxes, such as fruit and nut bars (e.g. Trackers or Eat Natural), products made with Nutella chocolate spread and packs of nuts (e.g. Fruit Shots). If you would like some ideas for lunch boxes, please see the Change4life website: <https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes>

We thank you in advance for your support with this.

Dates For 2018-19

At the end of this newsletter you will find a list of key dates which takes us through until July 2019. Please keep this for reference throughout the school year. Dates will be republished in our newsletters and can also be found on our website calendar. Dates will be added to throughout the year, so please keep an eye out for any additions.



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**A message from Jenny Bamford,
Friends of Hawkes Farm Chair**

Previous Events

Christmas seems such a long time ago now, but as the children really enjoyed the pantomime performance from the visiting company, we have booked another pantomime for 2019 which we could only do with your support at our events. Our Festive Film Nights raised £723.60 which was a great amount, our next Film Nights will be in May.

Second Hand Uniform

We are continuing to collect second hand uniform that has a **logo** on it, t-shirts, jumpers, cardigans, PE jumper and t-shirt as well as ties, book bags and PE kit bags. Samantha Rapley sells second hand uniform on a Thursday after school and will post on our Facebook group what we have in stock. She can be contacted at vicechair@friendsofhawkesfarm.co.uk

Please pop any donations of uniform in our blue donation bins, but please **only items with a logo on them.** We simply don't have the space for other items and means we then have to do a charity shop run which adds to our workload.

Donation Received – Lewes Lions Club

Thank you to Lewes Lions Club who have kindly donated £50 towards new books for the library.

Future Events

Loose Change Challenge – Monday 25th February until Friday 8th March Information has been sent via ParentMail with further information about this, please collect your loose change for this challenge.

Parent Consultation Evenings – Tuesday 12th and Wednesday 13th March We will be providing refreshments again at both parents evenings and would welcome any donations of cakes to sell.

Ground Force Day – Saturday 16th March with a reserve of Saturday 23rd March If the weather is bad on the 16th or we haven't finished what we set out to achieve on the 23rd. More information will be given nearer the time about the jobs that will need doing but please note these dates and come along for an hour or two to help us with the children's grounds.

Mother's Day Secret Room – week of Monday 25th March We will be selling gifts for this and your child will be able to select a gift of their choice.

Easter Disco – Friday 29th March As you know we always support a charity and give 50p from every ticket sold to a charity of the children's choosing. This time round we are donating to Red Nose Day, more details to follow after half term.

More details about all forthcoming events will be posted in our Facebook group and letters sent out via ParentMail. We are in the process of finalising what project we will be funding this year and we are enjoying working alongside Mrs McConville and the Rights Respecting Council gathering the children's ideas and opinions.

Facebook Updates

For up to date information about all of our fundraising please request to join our Facebook group which is group just for parents of children at Hawkes Farm Academy.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/friendsofhawkesfarm/>

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TERM DATES AUTUMN 2018 - SUMMER 2019

STEP East Sussex Term Dates

Spring Term	Opens		Thursday 3 rd January 2019
	Closes	(Half-Term)	Thursday 14 th February 2019
	Opens		Monday 25 th February 2019
	Closes	(Easter)	Friday 5 th April 2019
Summer Term	Opens		Wednesday 24 th April 2019
		Bank Holiday	Monday 6 th May 2019
	Closes	(Half-Term)	Friday 24 th May 2019
	Opens		Tuesday 4 th June 2019
	Closes		Tuesday 23 rd July 2019

Inset Days:

Friday	15 th February 2019	STEP INSET
Tuesday	23 rd April 2019	STEP INSET
Monday	3 rd June 2019	Academy INSET



**STEP EAST SUSSEX TERM DATES
AUTUMN 2019 - SUMMER 2020**

AUTUMN TERM	Opens		Thursday	5 th	September	2019
	Closes	(Half-term)	Friday	25 th	October	2019
	Opens		Monday	4 th	November	2019
	Closes		Friday	20 th	December	2019
SPRING TERM	Opens		Tuesday	7 th	January	2020
	Closes	(Half-term)	Friday	14 th	February	2020
	Opens		Monday	24 th	February	2020
	Closes	(Easter)	Friday	3 rd	April	2020
SUMMER TERM	Opens		Tuesday	21 st	April	2020
		Bank Holiday	Monday	4 th	May	2020
	Closes	(Half-term)	Friday	22 nd	May	2020
	Opens		Tuesday	2 nd	June	2020
	Closes		Tuesday	21 st	July	2020

INSET DAYS:

Wednesday 4th September 2019
 Monday 6th January 2020
 Monday 20th April 2020
 Monday 1st June 2020
 Wednesday 22nd July 2020

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Diary Dates

Monday 4th March - Thursday 7th March	Scholastic Book Fair	All day
Thursday 7th March	World Book Day Workshop – Mastery in Mathematics Workshop – Mastery in Mathematics	All day 9.30am at Burfield 6.00pm at Hawkes Farm
Wednesday 20th March	Year 1AM class assembly	2.50-3.10pm
Wednesday 27th March	Year 3JF class assembly	2.50-3.10pm
Thursday 28 th March	Workshop – Responsive Teaching For Writing Workshop – Responsive Teaching For Writing	9.30am at Hawkes Farm 6.00pm at Burfield
Friday 29th March	School Disco	<i>Times to be confirmed</i>
Wednesday 3rd April	Year 3EB class assembly	2.50-3.10pm
Thursday 9 May	Workshop – Supporting Children With Additional Needs Workshop – Supporting Children With Additional Needs	9.30am at Burfield 6.00pm at Hawkes Farm
Wednesday 22nd May	Year 1SN class assembly	2.50-3.10pm
Thursday 13 th June	Workshop – Text and Context Workshop – Text and Context	9.30am at Hawkes Farm 6.00pm at Burfield
Tuesday 18th June	KS1 Sports Day	1.30pm
Wednesday 19th June	EYFS class assembly	2.50-3.10pm
Thursday 20 th June	Workshop – The Wider Curriculum	9.30am at Burfield 6.00pm at Hawkes Farm
Friday 21st June	KS2 Sports Day	All day
Wednesday 3rd July	Year 2MC class assembly	2.50-3.10pm
Wednesday 10th July	Year 2CN class assembly	2.50-3.10pm
Friday 19th July	School Disco	<i>Times to be confirmed</i>

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 Energy**Kidz**

After School Club

at Hawkes Farm Academy



Find out more and book online:
0333 577 1533 | info@energy-kidz.co.uk
www.energy-kidz.co.uk

Launching Monday 25th February 2019 | Book Now!



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After School Club

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After School Club

Energy Kidz Ofsted registered clubs offer fun and affordable childcare delivered in a safe and supervised environment. Our qualified staff are DBS checked to an enhanced level, first aid qualified and are experienced in and passionate about the activities we offer.

We pride ourselves in delivering a fun and happy place for children to take part in activities, arts and crafts, sports, or just chill out and enjoy the variety of toys and games available. All our clubs follow the playwork principles and offer lots of free play and free choice activities.

A healthy snack is provided at all our clubs. Our After School clubs provide wraps or bagels with cheese or meat, vegetables, fruit and yoghurt.



Club Sessions & Booking Information

After School Club: from school finish until 6.00pm

Price: £12.50

Call **0333 577 1533**, email **info@energy-kidz.co.uk** or book online at **www.energy-kidz.co.uk**.

Club Opening Monday 25th February 2019... Book Now to secure your place!

5% Sibling Discount is available and Childcare Vouchers are accepted.

**Find out more and book online:
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Dear Parent / Carer,

Happy New Year from East Sussex Music.

Have you considered signing your child up to learn to play an instrument at the start of the year?

As well as being enjoyable, learning to play a musical instrument has many benefits such as enhancing memory and confidence, and boosting organisational, concentration, maths, reading and social skills*. It can also be fun as well as a challenging and rewarding experience. The lessons usually take place during the school day, and instruments may be available to hire.

The East Sussex Music Service offers Cello, Violin, Clarinet, Saxophone, Drum Kit, Flute, Guitar, Trombone, Trumpet, Keyboard lessons**

To sign up for instrumental lessons and for more information please go to: <https://new.eastsussex.gov.uk/educationandlearning/music> or Telephone us on 01273 336770

We are offering 1 term's free hire on wind and brass instruments!

Yours sincerely

Jordan Cresswell (Guitar)

East Sussex Music Teacher(s)
East Sussex Music

*Source: www.effectivemusicteaching.com/articles/directors/18-benefits-of-playing-a-musical-instrument

**Some of the instruments may not be available for lessons

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