



SOUTH BERSTED CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter

17th July 2026

Learning 4 Life Curriculum

As part of our Learning 4 Life Curriculum, we believe it is essential to ensure our children have the skills to thrive after they have left South Bersted. Part of this approach is providing opportunities beyond the classroom to develop communication, teamwork and resilience.

Last week, our Year 6 pupils engaged in their residential to Fairthorne. During their residential, they engaged in a range of adventurous activities and created memories that will last a lifetime! The children were amazing and faced all challenges with determination! Well done Year 6!



'I really enjoyed being away and camping with my friends. My favourite activity was kayaking.' - Gerrard

'The slip and slide was great! It helped to cool us down and it was fun to do it with my friends.' - Lucy Rose

'The blind trail was brilliant! You had to use your senses to complete it!' - Evan

Yesterday, our Year 5 pupils visited Out of Bounds. Engaging in these types of activities helps to prepare the children for their residential.



'I really enjoyed climbing the hexagon at clip and climb. I almost reached the top!' - Maisie S

'I really enjoyed bowling. It as great to do this with my friends!' - Teddy

Heathy Living and Eco Awards

This week we were joined by Hugh from the Walk, Wheel and Cycle Trust. Hugh ran a workshop with our Year 6 pupils on planning the safest way to travel to their new secondary schools. Using Google Maps, pupils explored the safest routes available and learned how to safely plan their journey.

Hugh also led collective worship, explaining many of the upcoming activities we will be engaging in over the next 12 months. As a school, we want to ensure that we are developing responsible and caring 21st century global citizens. Over the next 12 months, we will be working closely with Hugh and mode-shift to improve our options in living a heathier and more sustainable life.

At the end of worship, Alisa and Buddy shared the following prayer that they wrote:

Dear God,

Help us to consider the safest ways to travel to school.

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to get to school in a sustainable way.

Please give the all the people in the world a chance to explore different ways to travel.

We are grateful that the world has given us our imagination.

Amen

This week, we have continued to receive a number of Eco Awards that were presented during today's Collective Worship. To learn more about the fantastic work that Mrs Evans and the Eco Committee engage in, please visit the school's website: [Eco Committee](#)

Open Evening

It was lovely to welcome so many families into the school on Monday evening to celebrate the children's achievements.

If you were unable to attend the event, please contact your child's class teacher so you can arrange a time to reflect on the academic year.

As part of our school's self-review processes, we also ask parents and carers to answer a few questions about the school and to confirm receipt of your child's annual report.

Please use the following link to complete the questionnaire by **Tuesday 21st July**.

[Parent Voice 2026](#)

Numbots



Congratulations to our most valuable players:

Tilly W (Penguin Class) earning 2,457 coins.

Logan (Year 1) earning 1,360 coins.

Thomas (Year 2) earning 2,362 coins.

Gold Book

Congratulations to the following children who were recognised for going above and beyond and displaying the school's values within the last week.

Fabian, Bonnie, Matylda (EYFS). Amos, Dima (Year 1). Darcie N, Kiera (Year 2). Archie W, Poppy, Theo, Arden, Jacob (Year 3). Charlotte, Swara, Noah, Nelly (Year 4). Fearne, Bailey (Year 5). Mollie S, Olivia T, Abdul W, Buddy S (Year 6).

Philosophy for Children

In P4C this week, we have explored the concept of change through two stimuli. Firstly, we watched the metamorphosis of a butterfly and explored the below core questions:

- *Does changing make you a different person?*
- *Can something change and still be the same?*
- *Is all change good?*

We then looked at some pictures of a person through different stages of their life and explored the below key questions:

- *Why can endings feel happy and sad at the same time?*
- *Is change something to celebrate or fear?*
- *Can you miss something and still be excited about what's next?*

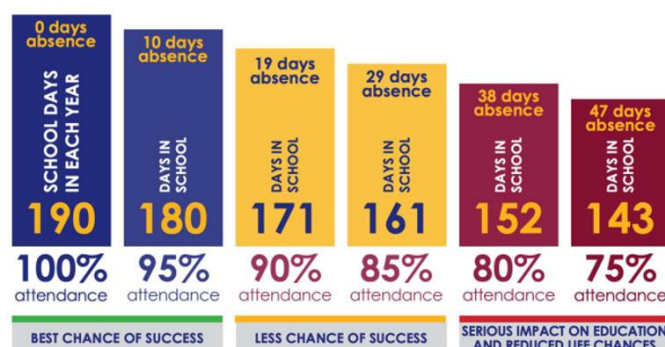
If your child has continued to share their reflections on this week's P4C, please share this with your child's class teacher or Mrs Bush via Class Dojo.

Attendance

This Week's Attendance:		95.7%
This week's term's top three attending classes are:		
Class		Attendance
Year 5		97.5%
Year 6		96.9%
Years 1		95.8%

Congratulations to Rory, who is this term's attendance raffle winner. Next week, they will be presented with their raffle prize.

Today, we have also recognised pupils that have had 100% attendance this term. Congratulations to the all of those pupils that have had 100% attendance this academic year!



West Sussex Local Offer

The West Sussex Local Offer is a free online resource that provides information, advice and support for children and young people aged 0–25 with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND), as well as their families. It brings together services from education, health, social care and voluntary organisations in one easy-to-access place.

Visit the website for further information: [Local Offer - West Sussex County Council](#)



SEND events

Inclusive and SEND events.



SEND and inclusion news

Current SEND and inclusion news in West Sussex.



You said, we did

Improvements to SEND services and the Local Offer website after receiving feedback.

Park Run

When is it?

It is held every **Sunday at 9:00am**.

Where is it?

The event takes place at Marine Park Gardens, 4 Kings Parade, Bognor Regis, PO21 2QA.

See [Course page](#) for more details.

ISS New School Meals Platform

From September 2026, school meals at South Bersted School will be provided by ISS Education, who are taking over from Chartwells as part of a new West Sussex County Council contract.

Our catering team formally joins ISS on 1st August 2026, ready for the new term.

From mid-August, parents will be able to register and order meals through our new Kanpla app or web portal, and full guidance on how to set up an account will be shared before then.

To find out more about what's coming, including menus, visit <https://www.feedwestsussex.co.uk/>. If you have any questions in the meantime, please contact the office.



Dance Extravaganza



A reminder that due to the hot weather, we have changed the date to **Monday 20th July between 2:00pm – 3:00pm.**

All families are invited to join us for this year's Dance Extravaganza!

This year's theme is **Celebrate.**

The weather looks great for Monday afternoon, so please can we ask that children have their sun hats and sun cream in school.

Reading

Today, we held our final reading raffle of the academic year. Congratulations to the below children who are this half term's winners!



A reminder that we are encouraging all children to engage in the Summer Reading Challenge. All children that complete the challenge will be entered into a South Bersted Reading Raffle on Monday 7th September. <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>

To be entered into the raffle, children will need to bring their certificate to school once obtained and share this with Mrs Robson.

Over the summer holidays, we are reorganising our school library. If you have any schoolbooks at home, can we please request that these are returned to school by **Tuesday 21st July**. If you have any books that your child no longer reads, and you would like to donate them to the school that would be greatly appreciated.

Year 1 Wish List

Year 1 need your help and are looking for the following items. If you or your child no longer needs any of these items, we would be grateful for your donations.

- *Saucepans*
- *Frying pans*
- *Big metal pots*
- *Wooden spoons*
- *Metal spoons/Utensils*
- *Cars/Trucks*
- *Dressing up outfits*
- *Scooters*

Meet and Greet

Please join us for our Meet and Greet sessions in September. Each session will run between 8:45am and 9:30am in the school hall. For each event, please sign in at the office when you arrive.

Year Group	Date
<i>EYFS (Coffee and Cake)</i>	<i>Friday 18th September</i>
<i>Year 1</i>	<i>Wednesday 9th September</i>
<i>Year 2</i>	<i>Monday 7th September</i>
<i>Year 3</i>	<i>Tuesday 8th September</i>
<i>Year 4</i>	<i>Thursday 10th September</i>
<i>Year 5</i>	<i>Monday 14th September</i>
<i>Year 6</i>	<i>Tuesday 15th September</i>

Summer Challenges

On Monday, I will be posting Key Concept Grids onto Class Dojo. These grids provide links to different activities that can be completed over the summer holidays which are linked to learning that has taken place this year.

On the grids, you will find:

Over the summer holidays, create a **Summer Memory Box** to bring back to school in September. Find a small box (such as a shoebox, cereal box, or gift box) and decorate it in any way you like. Then fill it with **5 – 10 items** that remind you of your summer.

These could include:

- A photograph or drawing
- A ticket from a day out
- A postcard
- A shell, leaf, pebble, or other natural treasure
- A favourite recipe or food wrapper (clean!)
- A small souvenir
- A map showing somewhere you visited
- A poem or short story you wrote
- Something you made
- A list of your favourite holiday moments



If you do not have an object to put in your box, you can draw it, write about it or make a small model.

When children return to school, they will have the opportunity to share their memories with their class.

Your summer does not have to be full of big trips or expensive days out. Wonderful memories can come from baking at home, playing in the park, reading a great book, helping in the garden, spending time with family, learning a new skill, or enjoying your favourite hobby. **Every memory is worth sharing!**

The Great British Summer Savings

The Great Summer Savings program is designed to help families make the most of summer while keeping costs affordable. Through special discounts, reduced fees and exclusive offers, families can access a variety of activities, programmes and resources that support children's learning, development and enjoyment during the summer months.

To learn more about what is on offer visit the website: [Summer Savings - Cost of Living Help](#)

Up-Coming Events

Please find below a summary of upcoming events for the next three weeks:

Date	Details
July 2026	
Monday 20 th	<i>Dance Extravaganza 14:00-15:00</i>
Tuesday 21 st	<i>Y6 Greatest Showman Performance 18:00 - 19:30 (children to arrive @ 17:45)</i>
Wednesday 22 nd	<i>Whole School Church Service 9:00 – 10.00</i>

INSET Days 2026 - 2027

Tuesday 1st September 2026 – INSET Day

Wednesday 2nd September 2026 – INSET Day

Thursday 3rd September 2026 Start of the Autumn Term

Friday 23rd October 2026 – INSET Day

Monday 4th January 2027 – INSET Day

Tuesday 5th January 2027 – Start of the Spring Term

Monday 12th April 2027 – INSET Day

Tuesday 13th April 2027 – Start of the Summer Term

Next year term dates can be found here: <https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/education-children-and-families/schools-and-colleges/school-term-dates/>



We have a **brand new** booking system for our

DAY CAMPS

23 JUL - 28 AUG

Activities include:

- Sports
- Crafts
- Swimming
- Inflatables
- Fun themes each week
- Special guests



Ages 5-11



Book now!



Active Play Summer Sessions 2026

Look out for the Freedom Leisure Park and Play van this summer, packed full of play equipment! Sessions last for two hours and are **FREE** of charge. **Please be aware that children cannot be left unattended.** Children must be accompanied and supervised by an adult over the age of 18 at all times. Suitable for 3-12 years but all the family are very welcome!

Sessions are weather permitting and run during the week in the school summer holidays from: **Thursday 23rd July – Friday 28th August**



Programme

Day	10am - 12pm	10am - 12pm
Monday	Angmering Decoy Drive – Palmer Road Rec	Wick Water Lane
Tuesday	Ferring Ferring Village Green	Yapton King George V Playing Field
Wednesday	Angmering May Flower Park	Wick Water Lane
Thursday	Laburnum Grove Recreation, next to Bersted Green Hub	Rustington Woodlands Recreation Ground
Friday	Bersted Jubilee Fields	Wick Water Lane

No need to book!

For further information please contact: **01903 725451**
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