

# EHPS WEEKLY BULLETIN



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Dear Parents

This week's circus was definitely the highlight of the week, right from the moment the trucks arrived with the equipment. The children were so excited watching them set up the big circus tent over break and lunch time - it certainly looked impressive on the field. It was wonderful seeing the happy faces of the children who came along - they have been talking about it ever since! The Friends once again did an amazing job of organising and running the event - and thanks also to the staff for giving up their time to help before or during the circus evening.

Tonight we have our Fun Friday - there are some excited children who cannot wait to come back into school tonight - probably some excited parents too, knowing they have a few hours to themselves before the weekend gets underway! We hope to run another Fun Friday in September, potentially inviting some younger year groups, so keep an eye out for details.

Thank you to parents for continuing to support our year group Make and Bake sales this term - thanks for supplying the cakes and goodies and thanks for buying them from the stall too! Our target of £5000 for the new sound equipment for both halls is getting closer and closer!

Mrs Megan Robinson  
Headteacher

## JUNE

Fri 15th	Hughes focus assembly <u>YR Sept 2018 Butterworth Stay &amp; Play 3.30pm</u>
	'Fun Friday' KS2
Mon 18th	Y5 Make and Bake sale
Tues 19th	YR—4 Kingdoms trip Work viewing Y3/Y4
Wed 20th	Reserve Sports day
Thurs 21st	Hampshire Games Work viewing YR/Y5
Fri 22nd	Work viewing Y1/Y2/Y6
Mon 25th	Y5 Liddington info meeting Y2 Make and Bake sale
Tues 26th	Y3 Blue Reef Aquarium visit YR transition to Y1: parent meeting 2.30-3pm
Wed 27th	Y4—Y6 Author visit
Thurs 28th	Y6 to CP languages dept. Nesbit Focus assembly
Fri 29th	Briggs Focus assembly Last Y5 swimming DISCO <u>YR18 visit 2pm-2.45pm</u>
	See over for July dates . . . . .

## Dinner money payments and packed lunches

Thank you to all parents who use Tucasi and pre-pay for meals.

Please remember that all KS2 (Y3—Y6) meals need to be paid for in advance, please check your accounts to make sure they are in credit. Why not set up the alert function (on the front page of the system) to remind you when funds are getting low. Please can we ask that you action any emails from school, which are sent when there is a debt on the account.

**Packed lunches** need to be brought in until your account is in credit. Please remember that we do not allow any nut products or confectionery to be included as part of a packed lunch.

Virtue of the week - w/c : 18 June

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As we close on 20 July after lunch, a school meal will be provided following the current menu, however our lunch timings will be rescheduled to accommodate the early closure.

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HONESTLY GOOD FOOD

Meet the governors -

this week: .....Miss Rachel Colman.

## JULY

Mon 2nd	Y6 production 7pm Y3 Make and Bake sale
Tues 3rd	Y6 production 9.30am Y1 Rural Life visit
Wed 4th	Y6 production 7pm
Thurs 5th	Y6 to Calthorpe Park day 1 YR-Y5 classes moving up <u>YR18</u> visit 9.30am—10.15am
Fri 6th	Y6 to Calthorpe Park day 2 Oxenbury Focus assembly
Mon 9th	Y4 group 1 to Ufton Court
Wed 11th	Y4 group 1 return from Ufton Court Y4 group 2 to Ufton Court
Fri 13th	Y4 group 2 return from Ufton Court <u>YR18</u> visit 2pm-2.45pm
Thurs 19th	Y6 leavers assembly & BBQ-6pm start
Fri 20th	Last day finish at 1pm
Mon 23rd	INSET

## SEPT

Mon 3rd	INSET
Tues 4th	First day back Y1—Y6
Mon 10th	Year R start school

## INSET DATES 2018/19

Monday 3 September 2018

Friday 23 November 2018

Monday 3 June 2019

Monday 22 July 2019

Tuesday 23 July 2019.

A calendar is being sent with this bulletin.

## COMMUNICATION WITH PARENTS

We will be changing our communication provider later this term. As you are aware we currently use Tucasi for school payments and going forward we will be using their Communication and Parent Evening booking modules. We will let you know more details of the change-over nearer the time.

## Make and Bake!

Another successful make and bake for Year 6 this week! Year 6 raised a fantastic

**£312!**

## TRIPS

- Please remember to return all forms and trip money as soon as possible. Without sufficient funds these trips cannot go ahead.
- YR—4 Kingdoms (19 July)
- Y1—Rural Life (3 July)
- Y3—Blue Reef Aquarium (26 June)
- Y4—Ufton Court (w/c 9 July)
- Y5—Liddington (Y6 Sept 2018)

## CLUBS

- Club paperwork will be going out next Friday 22 June; all information will then be available on the website. Please remind your child to collect external club flyers from reception.
- ALF club (About Life & Faith) will continue in September during lunchtimes for KS2, letters for this will also go out next week.

## CIRCUS NEWS

What a fabulous evening we had when the Circus came to school!

Well done to the Friends for all their hard work organising and preparing for the event, hands on working during the evening and clearing up afterwards!

Well done to parents too! You helped to raise approximately **£4,000.00** for the Friends!



**MEET THE GOVERNORS.....Miss Rachel Colman**



How long have you been a governor and what type of governor are you?  
I am relatively new to the governing body having only been elected in January 2018. I am a Local Authority Governor

Why did you decide to be a governor?

I had been looking for the right way to input back into the local community and when the fact there were governor vacancies was raised to me it seemed like the perfect opportunity to put my name forward. I was very lucky to have an inspiring early years education and know just how formative those primary years are, and being able to play a small part in that is an exciting opportunity.

What do you like most about being a governor?

I enjoy transferring my business skills into something that has such a direct benefit to children's progress and development. Being able to input time and insight into a school as special as Elvetham Heath feels like an honour. It's lovely to start to see the direct positive output from decisions we make start to flow through the school.

What do you find most frustrating or difficult about your role?

As many of my fellow governors have voiced already funding is a continual and constant frustration to us all as it feels like we have little choice but to operate with our financial hands tied behind our backs.

My second area of frustration is very much around the amount of testing and assessment that children are put through. I think it makes it too easy for children to feel that success or failure hinges around narrow moments in time or in an ability in certain fields. I wish that there was more time for children to discover their artistic, creative, sporty, musical, theatrical sides and realise that whether or not they're good at exams, their talents are made up from a wealth of inputs all of which should be cherished and honed and celebrated.

What type of work do you do in addition to being a governor?

I work for an insurance and pensions provider looking after their contractual and commercial negotiations as well as their spend on Professional Services such as Lawyers, Auditors and Consultants.

If you had the power to change anything in education right now what would you change?

I would change the testing regime to enable children to flourish and grow at their own pace without the constant need for the hurdles of tests.

What do you like to do in your spare time?

I enjoy being creative and making and sewing toys and my own clothes. I also enjoy being outside and physical, specifically dancing and horse riding - however since breaking my back in a Polo accident last summer I've been relearning how to take things slowly and enjoy the creative artistic side of life.

What has been your favourite place to visit on holiday?

I really love travelling and have seen a wealth of places I enjoy, as each one offers something special and unique but I have soft spots for both Italy and the United States specifically Vermont.

What is your favourite food?

My food preference is so dependent on my mood but when I'm busy and on the go definitely sushi and when I want something comforting and wholesome I'm a big fan of either Italian or Asian fusion.

I'm also never far away from a cup of hot coffee