



FRIDAY FLYER

Happy Red Nose Day Everyone

So Red Nose Day is 40 years old today! Rather disturbingly, I still have a photo of me and my other sixth form mates dressed in a clown costume on the very first Red Nose Day back in 1985! Since then, the charity has helped to raise more than £1.6 billion and supported more than 100 million people.

As we celebrate Red Nose today, watch for the photos in next week's flyer, I am reminded of how everyone of our children lives our school values and particularly the work our children do for charitable causes. Whether it be Red Nose Day, Children in Need, Nathan's Walk for the RNLI, Tommy's Heli Hike or the work the Duck Squad are currently undertaking at South Pond our children never fail to support those around them.

As teachers and parents, one of our most important roles is to help guide our children through life and teach them the values that will shape their future. One of the most meaningful values we can instil in them is the importance of charity. Charity, in its simplest form, means showing kindness and generosity to others, especially those in need. By teaching our children about charity, we are helping them become compassionate, caring, and responsible individuals.

Here's why charity is so important for children and how we all play a key role in helping your child understand its value.

1. Building Empathy and Kindness

When children are taught about charity, they learn to understand the feelings of others. They begin to recognise that not everyone has the same resources or opportunities, and this helps develop empathy. By giving to others, whether it's through donating toys, clothes, or even their time, children can see how small acts of kindness can make a big difference. This empathy builds a foundation for positive social behaviour and can help children form strong, caring relationships with their peers.

2. Teaching the Joy of Giving

One of the best ways to introduce charity to children is by showing them the joy of giving. While receiving gifts is exciting, giving can be even more rewarding. When children give, whether it's being a friend to someone in need at school, helping a neighbour with chores, or volunteering at a local event, they experience the satisfaction that comes from knowing they've helped someone else. This



sense of accomplishment fosters self-confidence and teaches children that the world doesn't just revolve around them—it's also about the happiness and well-being of others.

3. Encouraging a Lifelong Habit

The values children learn at a young age can stay with them for a lifetime. By incorporating charity into their daily lives, we are setting the stage for them to continue these practices as they grow. Whether it's participating in a fundraising event, or simply offering a helping hand, teaching children that giving back is an ongoing habit ensures they will grow up to be responsible and generous adults.

4. Promoting a Stronger Community

Charity doesn't just benefit those who receive it; it helps strengthen the community. When children participate in charitable activities, they become part of a collective effort to help others. This sense of community is essential as it fosters teamwork, connection, and a shared responsibility to care for one another. It also teaches children that they can make a positive impact on their community, no matter how big or small.

5. A Chance to Learn Life Skills

In addition to the emotional benefits, charity offers children a chance to learn practical life skills. Through charity work, children can develop important qualities such as teamwork, leadership, and problem-solving. They also learn how to manage money (for example, by donating a portion of their savings) and gain an understanding of how organisations operate. These experiences help children become well-rounded individuals who are equipped to handle a variety of challenges in the future.

Charity is an essential value that enriches both the giver and the receiver. By teaching our children about the importance of charity, we are helping them grow into compassionate, thoughtful individuals who understand the importance of kindness and generosity. As teachers and parents, we have the power to shape their understanding of charity and show them the joy that comes from making the world a better place for others.

Together, we can raise a generation that not only cares for their own well-being but also the well-being of everyone around them.

With every best wish

Mark

BIRCH CLASS GET SKETCHING AT COWDRAY

Birch Class have been out and about this week sketching Cowdray Castle. They looked carefully at the features of the castle and did some excellent sketching. Look out for our display which will follow soon.



BREAKFAST AND ASC BOOKINGS

Bookings for Breakfast and After School Clubs for the first half of the summer term are now open. Sessions can be reserved and paid for directly through MCAS, or if you have a payment plan, email your requests to Helen, our bursar.

Don't forget that you may be able to get help paying for your wraparound care by setting up a Tax-Free Childcare account – for every £8 you pay into the account, the government adds £2 – and our clubs are already registered with the scheme so you can use the money to pay for your sessions. There's a link below, but if you need any help, please contact Helen at bursar@midhurstprimary.co.uk

<https://www.gov.uk/tax-free-childcare>

33RD ANNUAL CORPORATE AND INTER-SCHOOLS ROAD RUNNING CHALLENGE 2025

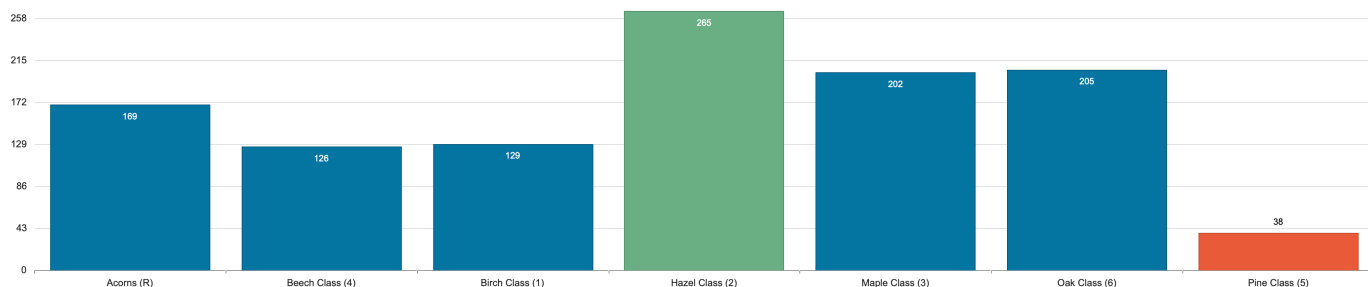


The annual corporate challenge road races organised by the Chichester Runners are a unique series of evening road races for all ages and abilities, run around Chichester city

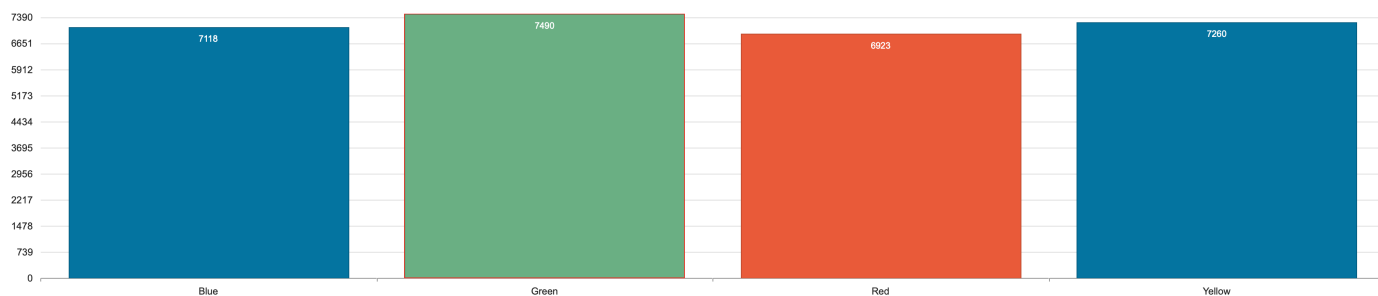
centre. Distances range from 1400m for primary school children up to 4.5km for adults. We're so very proud of our children who took part in the primary school event!

BEHAVIOUR POINTS

Congratulations to Hazel Class for gaining the most Reward Points this week with 265 points. Well done Hazel Class

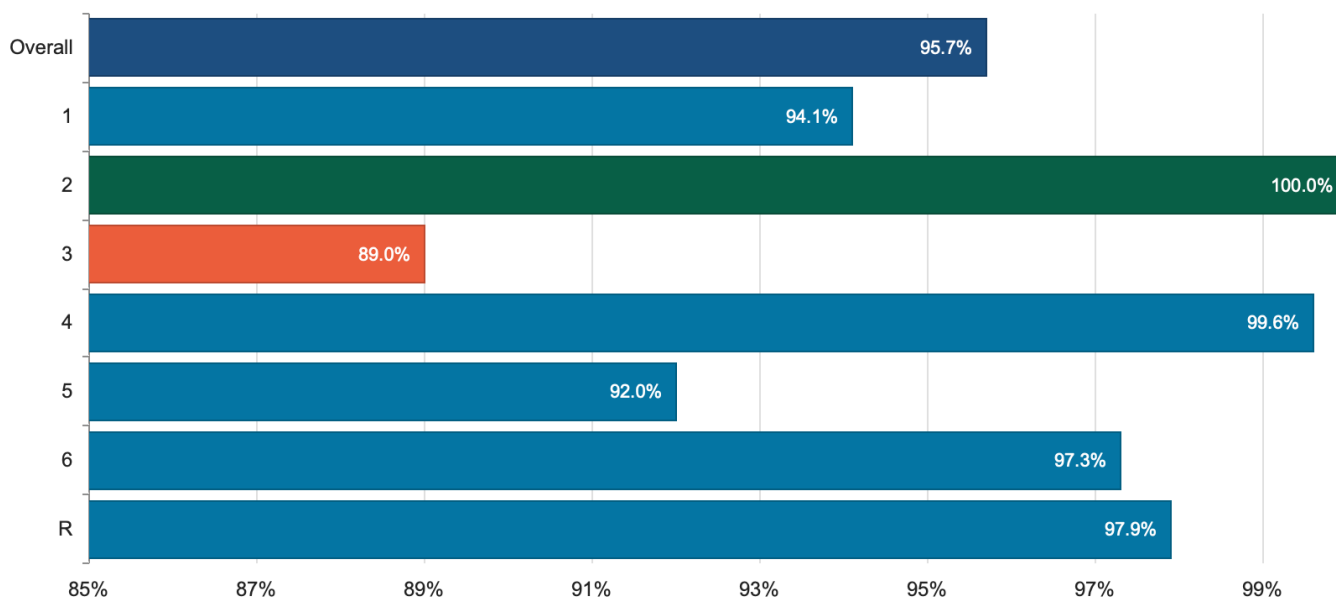


Rother House remain in the lead this week with 7490 points so far this year.



WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

This week's overall attendance is 95.7%, 0.7% above our target of 95! Great job!



THIS WEEK'S ATTENDANCE CHAMPION

Congratulations to Hazel Class, this week's attendance champions with 100%. Fantastic job Hazel Class!

DIARY DATES

Date	Event/Activity	Details
Monday 24 th March	Hazel - PE today Beech class trip to Butser Littlewoods – Acorns class Dance club	Please come in PE kit see separate letter Group 1 3.30 – 4.30pm
Tuesday 25 th March	Birch, Hazel & Maple - PE today Forest School – vicars award Aspire Football club	Please come in PE kit By invitation only 3.30 – 4.30pm
Wednesday 26 th March	Beech, Pine & Oak - PE today Netball club	Please come in PE kit 3.30 – 4.30pm
Thursday 27 th March	Cross country race with Easebourne Birch & Oak – PE today Swimming – Beech class Makaton club for KS1 Forest School Phonics meeting for parents Rother Valley Festival Dance club	7.45am Please come in PE kit am lunchtime Maple – group 2 3.30 – 4pm in year 1 classroom By invitation only
Friday 28 th March	Maple & Pine PE today MRC Netball Tournament Cross Country club Rother Valley Arts/Dance Festival at MRC	Please come in PE kit Some children involved 3.30 – 4.15pm Children should arrive at 6.30pm for a 7pm start (see separate letter for more details)
Monday 31 st March	Residential for Oak class Hazel & Beech - PE today Littlewood – Acorn class Residential meeting for Beech class Dance club	Please come in PE kit Group 1 3.30 – 4pm 3.30 – 4.30pm
Tuesday 1 st April	Residential for Oak class Birch, Hazel & Maple - PE today Aspire Football club	Please come in PE kit 3.30 – 4.30pm
Wednesday 2 nd April	Residential for Oak class Beech, Pine & Oak - PE today Birch class trip to Arundel Castle Netball club	Please come in PE kit See separate letter 3.30 – 4.30pm
Thursday 3 rd April	Residential for Oak class Birch & Oak – PE today Swimming – Beech class Makaton club for KS1 Forest School Rother Valley Festival Dance club	Please come in PE kit am lunchtime Maple – group 2 By invitation only
Friday 4 th April LAST DAY OF TERM	Residential for Oak class Maple & Pine PE today Forest School Cross Country club	Please come in PE kit Hazel – group 1 3.30 – 4.15pm
EASTER HOLIDAYS Monday 7th – Monday 21st April		
Tuesday 22nd April	INSET day	School Closed
Wednesday 23rd April	Back to School	Summer Term begins



Junior Cricket 2025 Midhurst Cricket Club

Fun based coaching and team play for boys and girls in age appropriate groups 5-14. All are welcome.



Training season starts
Friday 16th May from
6pm

£55 for the season

Family Welcome Night:
Friday 2nd May.

For All Stars and Dynamos, register [here](#).

For 12+ registration please complete the form [here](#).

Booking opens 19th March.

Or contact Michelle for more information:

midhurstjuniorcricket@gmail.com

Session times:

All Stars (ages 5-7) 6-7pm

Dynamos (ages 8-11) 6-7pm

12+ preparing for hardball 7-8pm





HELP US TO WIN THE TESCO VOTE

From 1st January until 30th March 2025 we are one of three charities hoping to win the Stronger Starts grant at Midhurst branches of Tesco, which will support our gardening project at Midhurst Primary School. PLEASE help us by collecting blue tokens and helping us win £1500!



**Tesco Superstore,
Haslemere**
**Tesco Express, North Street,
Midhurst**



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Midhurst Rother College Community Day Saturday 26 April 2025 10am-2pm

Calling all local businesses, agencies and groups to join us at this event to

- share your skills
- demonstrate your crafts
- promote your goods
- recruit new members
- engage with the local community

It's all about what's on offer on our doorstep!

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For more information email: madeline.hathaway@mrc-academy.org
or contact the College Office: 01730 812451



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COCKING 10K TRAIL RACE

A 10k Trail Race on The South Downs near Midhurst. A technical uphill trail at the start, some glorious views and a flying downhill to the finish!

10:15AM Sunday 11th May 2025

Cadence Cycle Club, Flint Barn, Cocking GU29 0HT

Chip timing • Finisher's medal • Prizes for leading runners • Parking
Refreshments • Enter early, limited to 350 runners

Prize draw! Enter by 30th April for a chance to win a pair of running shoes up to the value of £150.00, by courtesy of the Run Company.



Run Company



£18/£20 • ENTER ONLINE AT www.midhurstmilers.org



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3K AND 5K JUNIOR TRAIL RACE



6-8 YEARS

9-11 YEARS

12-15 YEARS

9:15AM Sunday 11th May 2025

Cadence Cycle Club, Flint Barn, Cocking GU29 0HT

A Junior Trail Race on The South Downs near Midhurst. Categories and prizes for 6-8, 9-11 age groups on 3K and 12-15 age group on 5K.

£8 online entry only.

SCHOOL TEAM RACE

Mixed teams of six pupils • Primary and Secondary school categories

£48 per team • For details please email Sarah Jenkins sarah330@hotmail.com



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Out of This World!

Launch into libraries and join our galactic adventure, with stellar space stories and a cosmic craft activity.



Monday 7 April

10.00-11.0am

Suitable for children aged 4+ years

Booking essential – please speak with staff to reserve a place.
Parents and carers must remain with their child during this activity.



Midhurst Library

The Grange, GU29 9HD

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Thursday 17 April

2.00-3.00pm

Suitable for children aged 4+ years

Booking essential - please speak with staff to reserve a place.
Parents and carers must remain with their child during this activity.



Southbourne Library

First Avenue, PO10 8HP

01243 375924

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Wednesday 9 April

2.00-3.00pm

Suitable for children aged 4+ years

Booking essential - please speak with staff to reserve a place.
Parents and carers must remain with their child during this activity.



Petworth Library

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Thursday 17 April

10.30-11.30am

Suitable for children aged 4+ years

Booking essential - please speak with staff to reserve a place.
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Selsey Library

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HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES



7 - 9 April

BOGNOR REGIS - Rap & Lyric Writing

CHICHESTER - Interactive Soundtrack & Music

CRAWLEY - Music Production & DJ

- Interactive Soundtrack & Music

LITTLEHAMPTON - "Soundz" Contemporary Choir

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- Interactive Soundtrack & Music

AGES 8 - 16YRS

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