Weekly Bulletin – School Road

Whole School Messages

Thursday 19th November 2026

School Streets

We greatly appreciate the support parents have shown to the aim of increasing safety on the roads around our schools with the council's School Street initiative.

By closing School Road at the critical 'drop off' and 'pick up' times, the risk of children and families being injured or seriously harmed in traffic related incidents is reduced. However, we have been made aware that the road closure has led to extremely dangerous parking at the junctions off School Road, in particular the junction with Milnthorpe Road.

The council have been made aware and these junctions will be monitored carefully moving forwards. We hope that the environment around our school will remain one where children are as safe as possible.

Caterlink Parent/Carer Survey:

Caterlink, the company who supply our school meals, really values feedback and to help them develop and or improve the service they provide to our school and our pupils, they are requesting feedback from you via the link below.
The closing date is 31st December 2026.

Parent/Carer Caterlink Survey

Thank you in advance.

Smartphone Free Talk:

A huge thank you from the Smartphone Free Childhood Team to those who were able to attend the presentation on Friday, there was a great turn out and we hope that you found the talk informative and helpful.
For anyone who missed Fridays talk, a summary from the event will be shared with you shortly.

Prospective Parent Visits:

Next Monday, 23rd November we are holding another open evening for prospective parents/carers for children who will be due to start Reception in September 2027 5:30pm. If you wish to attend, please contact the school office to book.

Anti-Racist Coffee Morning:

Next Wednesday, 25th, we have our Anti-Racist Coffee Morning at the junior school. This is a drop-in session with no need to book, please sign in via the school office, we look forward to seeing you there.

Winter HAF (Holiday activities and Food):

Funded by the Department for Education, the Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme provides fully funded activities over the school Christmas holidays for those in Reception to Year 11 who receive Targeted free school meals. All participants are also provided with a meal. Winter HAF childcare and activity listings will be available to view over October half-term, to give families the opportunity to register interest and ask providers questions. **Bookings will go live at 10am on Tuesday 3rd November.**
Everything available will be listed on Brighton & Hove's HAF online booking.

Dates available:

Week 1: Monday 21st, Tuesday 22nd, Wednesday 23rd and Thursday 24th December 2026
Week 2: Tuesday 29th, Wednesday 30th and Thursday 31st December 2026
Brighton & Hove City Council's Childcare Inclusion Fund is available to support those with an Education and Health Care Plan (EHCP) or Disability Living Allowance (DLA) for children, to make additional funding available where additional staff (one-to-one) or resources would make any HAF provision more accessible.
Please visit www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/HAF to learn more about HAF, or contact HAF@brighton-hove.gov.uk with any questions.

Year Group Messages

Year 2:

Lizards class:

Many thanks to those who have volunteered to support on our local area walk on Friday 4th December. We will be leaving school at around 10:30 and returning by approximately 11:30am.

We currently do not have enough adults to go on our walk so, if you can, please volunteer either by letting me know in person or signing up on the sheet which is stuck to the pick-up door. Thank you

Key Dates

Reception	
November	
20.11.26	Flu vaccination.
25.11.26	Anti-Racist Coffee Morning – Junior School, 9:00am.
27.11.26	School Nurse Drop-in for Parents/Carers – 8.30am-9.30am
December	
10.12.26	Dolphins & Seahorses Christmas Performance, 9:30am. Maximum 2 adults
11.12.26	Turtles & Sealions Christmas Performance, 9:30am.
15.12.26	Christmas party day. Entertainment followed by a party in the classroom.

Year 1	
November	
20.11.26	Flu Vaccination.
25.11.26	Anti-racist Coffee Morning – Junior School, 9:00am
27.11.26	School Nurse Drop-in for Parents/Carers – 8.30am-9.30am.
December	
10.12.26	Caterpillars & Dragonflies Christmas Performance, 10:40am.
11.12.26	Bumblebees & Grasshoppers Christmas Performance, 10:40am.
16.12.26	Christmas party in classrooms in PM & a visit from Santa. Christmas party clothes can be worn but no fancy dress or accessories. Regular school shoes to be worn. Food list for class party will be displayed nearer the time outside child's classroom.

Year 2	
November	
20.11.26	Flu Vaccination.
20.11.26	Superhero Day - Children are welcome to come to school dressed as their favourite superhero.
25.11.26	Anti-racist Coffee Morning – Junior School, 9:00am
27.11.26	School Nurse Drop-in for Parents/Carers – 8.30am-9.30am.
December	
07.12.26	Prospective Y3 parent meeting/tour at the junior school – 5:30pm
15.12.26	Lizards & Marmosets Christmas Performance, 9:15am.
15.12.26	Toucans & Treefrogs Christmas Performance, 10:40am.
16.11.26	Christmas party in classrooms in PM & a visit from Santa. Christmas party clothes can be worn but no fancy dress or accessories. Regular school shoes to be worn. Food list for class party will be displayed nearer the time outside child's classroom.

DONATE HERE

FRED SHED

Fred Shed is a school community non-profit sharing shed that stocks non-perishable items and school uniform for those who are finding it especially hard in the current climate.

Our aim is to help as many families in our school community as possible and it is run by volunteering parents and carers. The sharing shed completely relies on donations of non-perishable items and school uniform which can be dropped into either infants or juniors school reception areas.

OPEN every Friday after school

along with Fred's free bakery which comes from generous donations from Real Patisserie and The Flour Pot Bakery

Fred's shed is located in the juniors front playground just next to the main gates

If you need help, and don't feel comfortable approaching the sharing shed please email us at **portlandroadenquiries@hovjun.brighton-hove.sch.uk**

If you'd like to support Fred Shed with your time contact **hovejuniorpta@gmail.com**

To keep Fred stocked, there are collection bins in both Infants and Juniors school receptions.

WANT TO DONATE?

Make a contribution to our School Fund! All money raised directly supports resources for our children.



Hove Learning Federation is a Nut Free and Sesame Seed Free School

Please help us keep our school an allergen-free environment and minimise the risk of any person suffering allergy-induced anaphylaxis or food intolerance whilst on the school premises.

The school has a 'Healthy School' award status. We therefore politely ask that parents refrain from giving out treats on the school premises.

Thank you for your co-operation.



FOWHIS

£26.27 CHALLENGE

CAN YOU HELP RAISE MONEY FOR OUR SCHOOL?

BETWEEN NOW AND APRIL 30TH, WE CHALLENGE YOU TO RAISE FUNDS IN ANY WAY THAT YOU LIKE.

SELL 26 CUPCAKES

26 BIKE RIDES

26 ACTS OF KINDNESS

READ 26 BOOKS

FOLLOW THIS LINK TO OUR FUNDRAISING PAGE

GET YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS TO SPONSOR YOU.
THE CLASS THAT RAISES THE MOST WILL WIN A TROPHY AND CLASS TREAT DAY IN MAY

SPONSORSHIP FORMS WITH ALL THE DETAILS CAN BE FOUND IN BOOK BAGS FROM SEPT 21ST

ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE GET IN TOUCH WITH FOWHIS@GMAIL.COM

THIS IS YOUR CHALLENGE, MAKE IT AS FUN AND CREATIVE AS YOU LIKE

HELP FOWHIS WIN UP TO £1,500 FOR A NEW COMPOSTING AREA AND WORMERY

FOWHIS has been chosen for Tesco Stronger Starts blue token voting from August to November. It's a free and easy way to support the school: simply ask for a blue token when you shop in store and pop it in the FOWHIS box. The more tokens we collect, the bigger the grant! Please spread the word to family, friends, neighbours and colleagues — every blue token helps!

Participating Tesco stores:

Hove Superstore, Portslade Superstore
Hove Express (Church Road)
Hove Denmark Villas Express
Droveway Hove Express
Westway Hove Express
Hove Western Road Express
Brighton Jubilee Street Express
Brighton Queens Road Express
Brighton Western Road Express - Woodingdean Express.

