

On Our Patch

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Message from Mr Sutherland

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So another quiet, calm and utterly eventless month of 2020 draws to a close... said no-one anywhere!

Whilst we continue to adapt to the changes we've had to make, life in school has remained as exciting and as varied as ever and there's been plenty to shout about!

We've had Victorian Day As I write to you, we've in Year 4; Year 3s spent heard that Brighton and the day as Stone Age ver- Hove will be in Tier 2 sions of themselves and from the 2nd Decemon the very last day of ber, and further rethe month Year 6 will minders about what have their Titanic day you can and can't do (pictures of the latter, in are in this edition—we next month's edition).

quite do all that we usu- the virus, keep ourally do in this deliriously selves and our loved busy Autumn term, it has ones safe and aim to still been school, just not emerge as soon as quite as we know and possible from the panlove it!

truly 'raised their game' done and continue to in classes since we've all do! been back together, I'm See you on the gate! genuinely proud of them Mr Sutherland all.

all must play our part in So although we can't reducing the spread of demic!

So many children have Thanks for all you've

Results of the Autumn Book Fayre!

Thank you to everyone who purchased books from the online book fair.

With your help, we managed to earn £448-20% of which will be converted into rewards for our school. The books will be arriving at school in the next few days and will be distributed to classes. Many thanks for your support!



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Victorian Day Year 4

On 5th November, Year 4 had a stunning start to their history topic 'Children Now and Then' by experiencing a Victorian School Day.

It started off with a hand and nail inspection to see if the children were clean enough and a thorough hand wash – very appropriate for these COVID times. They then paid a penny for their education as schooling was not free during the 19th Century.

During the day we played detectives, looking at different Victorian artefacts and sketching them. We also created profile portraits, which look very effective.

The highlight of the day for many was designing and creating our own Victorian samplers by embroidering binca material. Another favourite was learning how to shine shoes and wash clothes – just in case they have to get a job as a shoe shiner or servant when they turn 10...

Unfortunately, Ms Ross and Mrs Green were off that day and so their replacements, Miss Cross and Mrs Mean were able to take the children in hand and send them to the Head Teacher if they needed a severe telling off. Luckily, with our wonderful children, noone did!







Dates for your diary here Monday 30th—Catch up individual photographs

Titanic Day in Ye4ar 6

December

Tuesday 1st - Flu vaccinations all yeas

Monday 7th—Year 3 Christmas Lunch

Tuesday 8th—Year 4 Christmas Lunch

Friday 11th—Christmas Jumper Day—more details to fol-

Monday 14th—Year 5 Christmas Lunch

Tuesday 15th—Year 6 Christmas Lunch

Friday 18th—Last Day of Term

January

Monday 4th—INSET

Tuesday 5th—Children return to school

Calling any unwanted Lego!

If anyone has any Lego that is no longer loved, needed or wanted—please could it be donated to Year 3 for special time and wet play.

Many thanks the Year

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Sponsored Scoot in aid of Fareshare



During November, Roscoe (in Year 4) along with his sister Winnie (both pictured left) decided to scoot for five miles along the beautiful Brighton coastline from the i360 all the way to Saltdean Lido, in aid of Fareshare.

Their efforts raised a whopping £500 for the charity that supports efforts to bring an end to hunger and to fight the terrible amounts of food that goes to waste each year.

You can find out more about the charity's work at fareshare.org.uk

Well done Roscoe and Winnie!



The Patcham Family Of Schools

In these strange times, choosing a school for your children to go to can be a daunting experience—we can't allow mass gatherings and therefore open mornings and tours can't happen in our schools, yet parents and carers still want to make informed choices.

This month, I was delighted to take two of our Year 6 pupils, Sam and Lola, to Patcham Infant School to take part in the filming of their promotional school video.

Sam and Lola are naturals on screen and I know they will be thrilled to know that I've encouraged you all to check out their performances via the Infants School website!

https://www.patchaminf.brightonhove.sch.uk/









If you are considering sending your child to any of the Patcham schools, we urge you to contact us in the first instance for an informal conversation with the head teacher to find out a little more about our schools and to discuss what options you have for a possible future visit to the school or simply for further information.

Patcham Pupils On Newsroundl

Some pupils in Year 3 have starred in their own Climate Change video on the BBC website's Newsround page!

Supported by members of the Sussex Wildlife Trust and as part of the Youth Climate Summit which was held this November, the children of 3DM and our very own Climate Change teacher, Miss Defries, were filmed on our Millennium Trail discussing ways in which they could 'environmentally proof' our playground!

To watch the clip, go to:

https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/ 54918796

(Further details on page.12)



3DM watching themselves on the Big Screen!



Lollipop Linda Update



A horrifying glimpse of the new 'lollipop man'—before Theresa saved the day...

inda Update

As many of you know, our lovely lollipop lady (Crossing Patrol Executive) Linda, had a nasty fall over half-term and won't be returning to her Ladies Mile Road duties until the new year.

I am however pleased to let you know that Linda has had an operation on her shoulder and she's making a good recovery. I have passed on all of your kind messages and cards to Linda and she thanks you all—she's even missing helping you cross the road!

In the meantime, we have all been saved (and I include myself and Mr Rodericks most strongly in that statement) from having to take on Linda's crossing patrol role by the equally lovely Theresa Furr, who has kindly stepped into the role on a temporary basis.

Thank you Theresa!

Celebrating Greatness!



It's been another fantastic month for children across the school. There's so much to celebrate and be proud of and as a result, we have a three page special of all the certificate recipients!

Recognition from teachers ranged from brilliantly creative writing, resilience in maths, being constantly focussed and hardworking, through to being a great friend.

Well done to everyone!







Christmas Cards

This year you might like to do a Christmas card design with your children at home and have them printed via Rudolph cards where your children's Christmas card designs can be printed on to cards, mugs, coasters, placemats, teddies, shopping bags or mouse-mats. The deadline for orders is Tuesday 5th December (noon). Turnaround time is 14 days. Your child's design for cards should be A4 or A5 and portrait but can be landscape for all other orders. You will need to upload your child's design or scan their image. Please use this link for all the information you need: https://www.rudolphcards.co.uk/parentorder/

Unfortunately, due to time limits, any orders placed this year won't earn us any fundraising contributions, just so you are aware.

Drop Off Reminder

Please can we remind you of the following expectations before school every day:

- Year 5 and 6 pupils should arrive no earlier than 8.40am (five minutes before the gates open);
- Year 3 and 4 pupils no earlier than 8.55am (once again, five minutes before their gates open).

It is essential to stick to these timings as much as possible to maximise social distancing and to limit congregations of people (of all ages) outside the school gates before and after school.

We have seen some pupils arriving as early at 8.30am and this is not permitted. Please can we ask you once again to do all you can to support our efforts during the pandemic. Please also remember that wherever possible you must:

- Wear a mask outside of the school premises if dropping off children to school in the morning or entering the school site at the end of the day;
- Maintain a 2m distance from all other people outside of your household when waiting to drop off children in the morning or to enter the school site at any time;
- Maintain a 2m distance from all members of the school team at all times.

Thank you all for largely adhering to these rules each and every day. We are bored of it, we know you are too, but we're not ever going to be bored of having our colleagues, friends and families in our lives, so to keep them alive and fit and well will remain our priority—thank you for making it yours too.



Stone Age Day - Year 3

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Year 3 had a fantastic Stone Age day earlier this month. As you can see from the photographs, the children looked even more terrifying than usual in their Paleolithic and Neolithic (do you know the difference?) costumes.

Early cave drawing styles and mask making was the order of the day with the highlight for many being the discovery fire on the Millennium trail!

One cave child commented that they felt the day was 'ugg, mih, ooh, umf!' which I think sums up the experience perfectly!





Climate Action Feature



Year 3 thoroughly enjoyed our 'We Love Our Planet Week' which coincided with the Youth Climate Summit where, "Schools from around the UK came together during what would have been the week of COP26 to take action to create a more just, sustainable world and make commitments and pledges for the planet." During this week, the children enjoyed a number of environmental activities such as: designing their own eco super-hero; observing nature and wildlife on the Millennium trail and creating 'New Cave Paintings'; making a 'clay spirit' on the millennium trail and writing poetry after spending time observing and appreciating the trees on the playing field.

Excitingly, 3DM were joined by the Sussex Wildlife Trust to discuss and take action on how to "environmentally proof" our school grounds. The children made a beetle bank and meadow on the millennium trail and had the wonderful opportunity to appear on Newsround- "Schools take on Biodiversity emergency!" https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/54918796

Emily Defries Lead Climate Change Teacher







TIER 2

HIGH ALERT

FROM 2 DEC

MEETING FRIENDS AND FAMILY

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BARS, PUBS AND RESTAURANTS

Pubs and bars must close, unless



RETAIL



WORK AND BUSINESS



No mixing of households Indoors, apart from support bubbles. Maximum of six outdoors.

operating as restaurants. Hospitality venues can only serve alcohol with substantial meals. Venues must stop taking orders at 10pm and must close by 11pm.

Open.

Everyone who can work from home should do so.

EDUCATION



INDOOR **LEISURE**



ACCOMMODATION =



PERSONAL CARE



Early years settings, schools, colleges and universities open. Childcare, other supervised activities for children, and childcare bubbles permitted.

Open.

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OVERNIGHT STAYS



WEDDINGS AND FUNERALS



ENTERTAINMENT



PLACES OF WORSHIP



Permitted with household or support bubble.

15 guests for weddings, civil partnerships, wedding receptions and wakes; 30 for funerals.

Open.

Open, but cannot Interact with anyone outside household or support bubble.

TRAVELLING



EXERCISE



RESIDENTIAL CARE



LARGE **EVENTS**



Reduce the number of journeys you make and walk or cycle If possible. Avoid busy times and routes on public transport. Avoid car sharing with those outside of your household or support bubble. Avoid entering a Tier 3 area, other than where necessary such as for work or education. Further exemptions apply.

Classes and organised adult sport can take place outdoors, but cannot take place Indoors If there is any Interaction between people from different households. Organised activities for elite athletes, under-18s and disabled people can continue.

COVID-secure arrangements such as substantial screens, visiting pods, and window visits. Outdoor/airtight visits only (rollout of rapid testing will enable indoor visits including contact).

Sport, live performances and business meetings limited to 50% capacity or 2000 people outdoors (whichever is lower) and 50% capacity or 1000 people indoors (whichever is lower)

Find out what support you can get

For example, if you're out of work, need to get food, or want to take care of your mental health. gov.uk/coronavirus

If you have any coronavirus symptoms:

A high temperature • A new, continuous cough A loss of, or change to, your sense of smell or taste. Get a test and stay at home

For more information and detailed guidance visit: gov.uk/coronavirus







Help us shape the future of Brighton & Hove City Council owned sports facilities across the city:

Brighton & Hove City Council are currently developing an investment plan that aims to improve the sports centres and swimming pools provided within our city.

As many school use the centres for PE and school sport activities such as swimming.

You can help by telling us what sports and activities you would like to see in our leisure centres and whether they are in the right place for you.

A survey is now open (until 17 January), details of which are in the attached flyers. To fill in the survey go to: www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/sportconsultation

Please complete the survey to share your views or help us to promote opportunity through your own networks.

If you would like more information or have any questions about this consultation please con-

tact: sports.facilities@brighton-hove.gov.uk