

# BPS Times

## Billingshurst Primary School

### The end of another successful year at BPS

We cannot believe that it is already the end of another year at BPS. The time has gone so quickly and it is nearly time to say goodbye to the Year 6 children. We all enjoyed our transition day with our new classes and can't wait to be with our new teachers after the wonderful summer holidays. It is always sad to say goodbye to the people leaving but it is very exciting that we will be learning new things with different people. We are looking forward to welcoming the new reception children to our brilliant school. We are hoping the sun will shine all of the time. Don't forget to use suncream and stay safe. ( See page 2 for ideas of activities to do during the holidays)



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**Tell us who you would like to be interviewed next.**

I went to six different primary schools and none are as good as this school because this school values everyone as an individual and believes that with hard work and determination anything is possible.

Written by Robyn Lines and Connie Rees. ( year 5)

### Interview with Miss Nicholls

#### How long have you worked at BPS?

I have been here since it opened 7 years ago, before that I worked at the Infant school.

#### Have you ever been on a BPS residential?

Yes, to Blacklands Farm the first year. I let Miss Williamson go because she loves it so much and I get to be the Head teacher for a week.

#### What has been your proudest moment at BPS?

The last day of the summer term when we clap and cheer Year 6 as they leave the school. I feel very proud of how they have grown and what they have become during their seven years at BPS.

#### What has been the funniest thing that's ever happened to you at BPS?

Watching the teacher's race down the link corridor on the wheelie chair. Oh and when Mr Buckler dressed as the Queen of Hearts.

#### Why did you become a teacher?

I started teaching in the 1980's and have great memories. I wouldn't really want to go back in time because education is always evolving and we know so much more about how children learn and how to help them.

#### How is BPS different to the primary school you went to?

#### WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Tell the editing team what you would like to be included in our newspaper. We are always looking for new ideas to add to our next edition. If you have an article that you would like included let us know.

#### Special points of interest:

- Find out about how you can help to save rainforests.
- Read a roundup of the Blacklands Farm trip.

# The highlights of Blacklands Farm

On the 5<sup>th</sup> of June, the year sixes went to Blacklands Farm. Each day there were plenty of fun activities.

The food was great, especially the roast, and each morning there was a fried breakfast.

There were some fantastic activities. Abseiling and canoeing were some of the best, many people managed to overcome their fear of heights to complete the activities and make the most of the trip. Night activities were very fun; the talent show during the campfire night was very funny. There was singing, comedy and lots more.

The weather went from storms to sun but even on the rainy days the activities still continued. The rain didn't put anyone off.

By Ella Harvey- Gay and Ollie Gould



**Stop press!**  
**Tent numbers 1 and 6 won the tidiest tent awards this year.**

## Things to do in the Summer holidays

With the Summer break coming up it is time to think about things to do with your family. Here are some ideas of things we have enjoyed doing.

1. Visit the beach and go on a fossil hunt or build the biggest sandcastle that you can.
2. Take a day at Tilgate Park and visit Go Ape or just explore the woods.
3. Go to the Leisure Centre and have a swim.
4. How about a visit to Horsham Park where you can lose yourself in the maze.
5. Use stones, rocks, sticks, leaves and anything else you find in your garden to make a picture.



## Year 4 Rainforest Preservation

### Save the rainforest

New research has revealed that an area the size of 16 tennis courts of the rainforest is being destroyed every second. The problem is alarming. Some companies cut trees down and plant another again but some don't. This is urgent.

Rainforests are so important because the trees suck up carbon dioxide and give us oxygen. The rainforest provides rare plants that we could use in

medicine. Innocent animals are losing their homes by people cutting down trees. It will change the climate and not all animals will survive.

If people cut the trees down there won't be any rainforest left, it would just be desert for miles. To encourage more people to do the right thing persuade more and more companies that cut down trees to be more aware and replant areas of rainforest.



Cutting down trees is really bad for wildlife. We're begging you to do something about it. You could help raise awareness or campaign in your family and friends. Or even write a letter to the government.

By Mia Rosser

# Book review

**Book review by Shri Vekaria**

**Title: Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets by J K Rowling**

## Characters

The characters are Harry Potter, Hermione Grainger, Ron Weasley, Draco Malfoy, Lucius Malfoy, and Professor Dumbledore.

Harry Potter is the key character of these books and this is number 2 in a series of 8 books.

## Plot

There is a chamber below Hogwarts School where Tom Riddle lives in

disguise as a diary. Harry Potter has to go and fight the Basilisk to stop his friend being killed.

## My opinion

I like this book because it has a lot of surprises and it is very intriguing. It is an adventure story and part of a series of books. I have read all of the books and this one is by far my favourite.

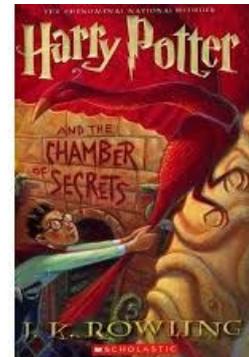
## Recommend ?

I recommend this book series to people who like action and adventure. It would probably suit people from 8 years to 20 years. I think it appeals to all genders and anyone can pick it up

and enjoy it.

## Star rating

I would give this book 4.5 stars out of 5.



# Summer Fun Day- Saturday 8th July

On Saturday 8th July we held another fabulous summer fun day with lots of exciting things to do and see. There were lots of stalls including sparkly tattoos, tombolas, the lolly stick game, bungee run and a huge obstacle course. The Year 6's had the sponge throwing stall and there was also 'wipe out'. Lots of delicious cakes and drinks could be bought and a yummy bbq. The sun was shining so lots of people came to join in. The bungee

run was as competitive as ever and was won by Miss Nicholls yet again.

We think Miss Williamson needs to practice so she can be the champion next year.

We raised lots and lots of money, even more than last year, which will all go back into the school and help to buy us lots of things and help us to go on school trips. Thank you so much to the amazing BPSCA who organized it.



**"The summer fair was a fantastic event that young and old enjoyed."**

# News from our School Council

The School Council have been working on a project to get parents to start driving carefully round the school. They have taken part in traffic surveys and questionnaires of local residents. They are running a competition to draw a cartoon picture for the campaign banner outside of the school. We look forward to seeing the winners soon!!!

Don't forget the end of term tea with Miss Williamson as a thank you to the School Council for all their work over the term. They have represented their classes really well.

We will also be saying goodbye to the Year 6 members of the School Council. We would like to thank them for all their hard work.

By Jake Holohan



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## Eco team update

On the fifteenth of June, the eco team had an exciting inspection. Due to hard work and constant nagging, mostly at the teachers, although a few of the other children needed reminding about needing to turn lights off and what went into the recycling bins, they were visited to see if they had earned the green flag award, the highest honour in the eco world. The team led the inspector on a tour around the school, and the field was also viewed. The team impressed by systematically presenting their reports on the rapidly improving eco-friendly environment. The eco team were successful in earning the green flag. The green flag was a well-deserved reward for Billingshurst Primary school.

By Maggie Collinson

## Sports at BPS

This term has been a busy one for sport with lots of different events taking place. On Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> June Year 6 went to a tennis tournament. Our rivals were Southwater. Billingshurst came 2<sup>nd</sup> and the b team came 3<sup>rd</sup>. The next day year 5 & 6 went to the Weald for talented athletes. Overall we performed well. On the Thursday we went to the Weald for cricket. A successful victory for Billingshurst Primary School cricket team. Friday came and BPS went to Horsham cricket club for a stool ball tournament. We came 7<sup>th</sup> out of 10. Some of our year 3 & 4 got a chance to meet Greg Rusedski at a tennis



tournament which was held at Billingshurst tennis club.

Gold



Billingshurst Primary School struck gold this term! We are now the proud recipients of a School Games Mark gold award. This is all down to the hard work of the Sports Captains and Vice Captains as well as the PE team.

Sports morning

A cracking KS1 sports day ended up with a result. In joint 3<sup>rd</sup> with 16 points Cowdray and Parham the runners up with 21 point were Goodwood so the winners of ks1 sports day is Petworth with 29 points.

Everyone in KS2 deserves a big well done for competing in the different



activities on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July. We did some new activities and the best part was the sprints. We had a boys race and a girls race with children from each year group competing. Goodwood won in both events



Looking forwards to next year in sport at BPS

With the current Year 6 children moving onto their new schools we will of course be looking to elect new Sports Captains and Vice Captains in September. If you are in Year 5 you could start to think about whether this is a job you would like to do.