



# Newsletter

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Next INSET  
Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July  
2022



Thank you so much to everyone that came along to the Summer Fair on Saturday. And a big thanks to the PTA's for making it a wonderful day!

Coming up in the next two weeks we have sports fortnight. From capoeira to tennis to swimming we have an array of sporting activities for every year group to get involved in. Please go to School Ping to find out more. Please also ensure your child/ren arrive to school with trainers on for the duration of sports fortnight.



**Sun Safety** - now that the summer months are finally upon us it is important that all of our pupils stay safe when outside at break and lunchtimes. We know that staying safe in the sun is important for both our long term and short term health and that children can be especially sensitive to sun burning.

On these hot and sunny days please ensure that your child/ren come into school wearing sun cream (SPF30 and above is recommended) and wearing appropriate clothing. Children are able to wear sun hats outside (not in class) and can bring in named suncream to apply in school.



## Athletics Competition

We took 40 children from years 4, 5 and 6 to an athletics competition at Withdean Stadium recently. All represented our school superbly, both in their athletic performances and their sporting, supportive behaviour throughout. It was a real pleasure to take them. Well done to all involved.

## Elm Grove Out of School Club Update

Recently we had our first Ofsted inspection for six years. I am delighted to announce that the Club scored the highest rating you can get, Met. I want to take this opportunity to thank all the EGOOSC staff for their dedication and commitment. They do an excellent job of looking after the children and running such a successful Club. If you would like to read the report, please go to: <https://files.ofsted.gov.uk/v1/file/50182188>

We also held our first in-person AGM in over two years, and I want to introduce our new committee members:

Chloe Overton, Sarah White, Denise Davis, and Karen Saunders are joining Chris Adams (Treasurer) and Fiona Callender (Chair).

Elm Grove After School Club is the only after-school/holiday club that is parents lead, left in Brighton. The committee would like to thank all the parents that use the Club for their ongoing support.

If you would like any more information about the Club, please contact Donna Hawkins, the Club Manager at [donna.hawkins@elmgroveoutofschool.club](mailto:donna.hawkins@elmgroveoutofschool.club)

If you would like to support the Club by joining the committee, please email [fionajcallender@gmail.com](mailto:fionajcallender@gmail.com)

Best wishes  
Fiona, Chris, Sarah, Karen, Chloe and Denise

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Goal Power! **Women's Football 1894-2022** has opened at **Brighton Museum** and will run until 25 September 2022. Charting the history of women's football and how it mirrors the history of women's rights, the show is packed with stories to inspire not only sports fans, but anyone interested in positive change.

The exhibition presents a dream squad of women who have dedicated their lives to the 'beautiful game'.

Share in their stories of resistance, perseverance, but above all a love for football that means they have trailblazed the way for women and girls today. From the feminist players of 1894 and the war-worker footballers of the First World War to those who defied the Football Association to play and those who have changed the Football Association from within.

Brighton & Hove resident Child Free  
Brighton & Hove resident Adult £3.50

Full details at [brightonmuseums.org.uk](http://brightonmuseums.org.uk)



**Changing  
Narratives**

**Changing Narratives** - in partnership with Brighton & Hove Libraries, Changing Narratives have launched a Book Review Competition for 5-11 years. Please see the attached letter for more information.



**The next homework grid will be published on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July.**

The homework grids will be uploaded onto the homework page of the school website: [Homework – Elm Grove Primary School, Brighton](#)

**Attendance** - thank you for your continued support in working with us to improve attendance at Elm Grove. Having looked at the past terms registers we are aware that a large amount of late marks are negatively impacting our overall attendance. If we could all work together to ensure children arrive on time, 8.50am for a prompt 9am start, this would have a positive impact not only on the children's start to the day but also drastically improve overall attendance. Should you need any support or advice please contact Sam and Tammy ([InclusionTeam@elmgrove.brighton-hove.sch.uk](mailto:InclusionTeam@elmgrove.brighton-hove.sch.uk)).



All schools are now required to have an **Attendance Policy** which follows statutory policy. Please see Elm Grove policy attached with this newsletter.

**REMINDER** – we have several children in school with nut allergies that are also airborne. Please do not send any foods /packed lunches which contain nuts into school.



**Blossom Garden Volunteer Session** - Only 1 more session before we break up for the summer holidays!

**Saturday July 9th**

If you've been thinking about coming along but not made it yet, it would be great if you could get to one of these last sessions. You'd be warmly welcomed! We've done almost a full academic year in the Blossom Garden and other playgrounds. It's been lovely but it's also sadly essential due to lack of funds means the school infrastructure is in a dire state.

Hope to see you on a Saturday soon. Drop in any time. If the gate is locked, call Emma on 07737 926 442 and someone will come up and let you in.

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### Get help to buy food and milk (Healthy Start)

If you are more than 10 weeks pregnant or have a child under 4, you may be entitled to get help to buy healthy food and milk.

If eligible, you will be sent a Healthy Start card with money on it that can be used in any UK shop that accepts Mastercard.

You can use your card to buy:

- Plain cow's milk
- Fresh, frozen and tinned fruit and vegetables
- Fresh, dried and tinned pulses
- Infant formula milk based on cow's milk

You can also use the card to gain healthy start vitamins which can be used during pregnancy and when breastfeeding. You can also get vitamin drops for babies and children from birth up to the age of 4.

For more information on eligibility, how to apply and FAQ'S head to [www.healthystart.nhs.uk](http://www.healthystart.nhs.uk)

### Summer Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) - If

your child receives benefits-related free school meals, FREE holiday provision is available across the city as part of the Summer Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme. Learn more and get booked on now: <http://www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/haf>

### Who is Brighton & Hove's HAF programme for?

Funded by the DfE, HAF is free to school-aged (Reception to Year 11) children across the city who receive benefits-related free school meals (FSM). We also have a good allocation of places for those meeting the below criteria, though our key focus will remain on reaching those on FSM.

- Those with a Social Worker, to include looked-after children or previously looked after children
- Young carers
- Those with an education, health, and care plan (EHCP)
- Those referred by the Ethnic Minority Achievement Service (EMAS) to include but not limited to asylum seekers, refugees, and those with no recourse to public funds (NRPF)

Thanks for your support. Please do contact [HAF@brighton-hove.gov.uk](mailto:HAF@brighton-hove.gov.uk) with any questions or to learn how to get more involved.



### GOLDEN BOOK MERITS



<b>Apple</b>	Eleanor, Marnie, Autumn, Cassie, Charlotte and Aniyah
<b>Cherry</b>	Effie, Bea, Hector, Pearl, Esther and Harper
<b>Beech</b>	Lilja, Diego and Sohan
<b>Birch</b>	Whole Class
<b>Baobab</b>	Samuel, Seb and Kit
<b>Bonsai</b>	Amari, Luke and Elijah
<b>Holly</b>	Sully-Blu, Maia and Elina, Cicely, Reuben and Ruslan
<b>Horse Chestnut</b>	Scarlett, Livvy, Alexander, Athena, Eli and Fabian
<b>Cedar</b>	Scarlett, Charles, CC, Alex D, Alex M and Robin
<b>Cypress</b>	Lola, Jacob, Sienna, Samuel, Tia and Anna
<b>Redwood</b>	Douggy, Billy, Etien, Summer, Guney, Albie C, Verity and Danny
<b>Rowan</b>	Danny, Siyar, George, Bobby, Edie and Ben
<b>Elder</b>	Alex, Leila, Bella, Elsa, Rosa and Kitty
<b>Oak</b>	Coco, Sam, Ava, Leo, Laurie and Alfie

### DIARY DATES

Date	Event
27 <sup>th</sup> June – 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports Fortnight
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Reception Sports Day
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	KS2 Sports Day (Withdean Stadium)
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Annual reports sent home to parents and carers
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Pupils 'Meet the Teacher' session
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Open Evening (in person)
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day of term for pupils

**NEWSLETTER - Large print copies are available at the office**

Head teacher

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