

Stronger Together in Action

SUSSEX LEARNING TRUST NEWSLETTER

Issue 1

UPCOMING TERM DATES

Last Day of Autumn Term (CFS only): 12th December 2025

Last Day of Autumn Term: 19th December 2025

First Day of Spring Term (WPSA, CFS, BHPA, NWPA): 5th January 2026

First Day of Spring Term (WPPA, WGPA): 6th January 2026 (INSET on 5th)

NETWORK MEETING DATES

DSLs: 3rd December 2025

Primary HTs: 4th December 2025

Primary Maths: 4th December 2025

Communications: 10th December 2025

NEWS & NOTICES

Trust Website: Work is underway to redesign the Trust website, with the aim to launch this side of Christmas - watch this space!



Welcome from the CEO

LEARNING TOGETHER, GROWING STRONGER

Welcome to the very first edition of "Stronger Together in Action"! This newsletter is our way of celebrating the incredible work happening across Sussex Learning Trust. Every day, our staff, students, and communities show how much stronger we are when we work together.

In this edition, you'll see stories of collaboration, celebration, and shared achievements. We hope these highlights inspire you as much as they inspire me. Together, we are shaping schools where everyone can thrive.

— Jonathan Morris

Staff Celebration Corner

► New Executive Principal at CFS

We are delighted to share that James Garner will be taking over as the Executive Principal of CFS in April. Currently Head of Primary at CFS, we look forward to the continued positive influence he will have, both for CFS and the Trust.

► Growing Our Future Leaders at WPPA

Fliss Hart achieved her NPQLB and Fran Ridgewell achieved her NPQSL in Summer 2025 after two years of dedicated study. Holly Jones and Cat Morris, former TAs, are now undertaking a Teacher Training Apprenticeship this academic year, with some training in other schools. We're proud to support their next step in teaching.

► Celebrating Leadership Excellence at BHPA

Congratulations to Emily Cogram (Y6 Lead), Helen Mack (English Lead) and Tom Hampson (AHT) on achieving their NPQ in Senior Leadership.

Well done to Emily Waters (Year 5) and Mary Mason (EYFS) for completing their NPQ in Leading Teaching.

A special celebration for Headteacher Marion Ley, who has achieved her NPQ in Executive Leadership.

Stronger Together Spotlight

12 Days of Christmas - Celebrating Our Year

This festive season, the Trust is launching our 12 Days of Christmas social media campaign, highlighting the achievements, milestones, and special moments from the past 12 months. Each day, we'll share stories, photos, and celebrations from across our academies, showcasing how our students, staff, and communities have worked together to make this year so memorable. Make sure you're following us @sussexlearningtrust to join in with the celebrations!

"Our 12 Days of Christmas campaign is a chance to celebrate the incredible achievements of our students, staff, and schools over the past year. It's a reminder of what we can accomplish when we work together across the Trust."

— Jonathan Morris

Social Media Highlights**OVER 1.4 TONNES DONATED FOR HARVEST FESTIVAL**

Our school communities have outdone themselves this year! Together, we've collected an incredible 1,400 kg+ of food and essentials for those in need. From cans to packets, every single item counts, and your generosity is making a real difference. A huge thank you to all for showing the true spirit of giving!

A YEAR OF SOCIAL MEDIA SUCCESS

Last year, the Trust reached a combined total of 1 million Facebook views and 7,200 followers. This year, we'll build on that with more updates, engaging content, and greater school involvement, using social media to share news, celebrate successes, and connect with our communities.

SUSPENSE, STRATEGY, AND SWEET PRIZES AT CFS

CFS students from Years 9–11 battled it out in a game of Renegades, completing missions, facing lunchtime banishments, and trying to unmask secret players in a suspense-filled, strategy-packed game. It was a hit, with excitement even spreading to social media. Well done to Mr. Carter for running it all!

CELEBRATING SCHOOL PRIDE ON INSTAGRAM

WPSA's Instagram has captured the attention of its students, skyrocketing from just 12 views a month to 64,300. This remarkable growth reflects genuine school pride and demonstrates how social media can showcase achievements, share the school's story, and bring the community closer together.

Staff Intranet

Your One-Stop-Shop For All Things SLT

Did you know our Staff Intranet is your go-to hub for everything you need across the Trust? From policies, procedures, and safeguarding updates to CPD resources, How-To's and guidance, and cross-academy collaboration tools, it's all in one place. You can also access forms, key contacts, and news from SLT. Explore the intranet today and make it part of your daily workflow:



"The intranet is your go-to hub for resources, guidance, and support - it's designed to make life easier for all our staff."

— Julie Keylock, Chief People Officer

Your Stories Needed!

This newsletter belongs to all of us. If you have a story, achievement, photo, or idea to share, please send it to [Keziah Holman](#). Just 3–4 lines and a photo are enough!