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We do our best in all we do, with God's love.
'Love one another. As I have loved you, so must you love one another.' John 13

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Don't forget Rev Sarah's 'Rectors Ramble' which can be found at: <http://thevalleyparish.org/from-the-vicar>

School Car Park

Please do take extra care when exiting our school car park.

Always remember to look left as, although it is a quiet lane, there are vehicles constantly using Motor Road.

Please do be courteous whilst using our school park and when entering and exiting both onto Motor Road and onto the A286.



TURKEY-SYRIA EARTHQUAKE APPEAL



We ask that you continue to hold all of those affected by the devastating earthquakes in Turkey and Syria in your prayers. If you wish to support, we suggest that you make a donation via the Disasters Emergency Committee website:

<https://donation.dec.org.uk/turkey-syria-earthquake-appeal>



Also in our continued prayers are the people of Ukraine, as they live with the ongoing impact of war in their country.

Comic Relief Red Nose Day—Friday 17th March 2023

Today the children were invited to wear something RED and to make a donation in support of Red Nose Day, Comic Relief. They brought along their best jokes to share and then chose the best ones from each year group. There is a selection of jokes on the next page for you to have a chuckle over!

Thank you for your support, you can still make donations on schoolmoney.co.uk. Some of the funds raised will be used to help the families affected by the fire in Midhurst yesterday.

A huge thank you too, for your generous donations of toiletries in response to our appeal yesterday following the Midhurst fire. Our thoughts are with those families.



West Dean Swim Squad

Four of our Team West Dean Swim Squad took part in the East Sussex Swimming Association (ESSA) Swim Gala this week. The children were awesome and did an amazing job of representing their school in this competition.

Our Year 6 children were presented with their 'Leaver's Hoodies' in our Acorn Assembly today.

Thank you to Jo McLeod (Bonnie's Mum) and Game, Set & Match for arranging this for us.

The children were very proud to show them off!



Attendance

If your child is unwell and unable to attend school, please do call or email the office first thing in the morning, as soon as possible.

Our school policy is to contact parents and carers if we haven't heard from you by morning break.

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West Dean CE Primary School
Acorn Awards
Friday 17th March 2023



- Yr R** **Ivy O** - for your brilliant addition in maths! You were able to count on from the first number and record your answer! Fantastic!
- Yr 1** **Percy** - for being a super scientist. You made good predictions about which surface was best for the car to travel furthest! Well done!
- Yr 2** **Hettie** - for being such a respectful member of Maple Class. You give 100% to everything you do, listen well and are always willing to help others. Well done!
- Yr 3** **Phoebe** - for a fantastic performance of your very own narrative poem. You used expression and gestures to engage your audience, as well as learning it off by heart—Wow!. Well done!
- Yr 4** **Finley** - for your amazing creative ideas and detailed artwork on how to make the world a better place, well done!
- Yr 5** **Harry** - for your super watercolour and pen artwork, despite a broken thumb. We were all so impressed.
- Yr 6** **James** - for your courage and determination during the Corporate Challenge. You gave it your all despite a nasty injury and were even prepared to finish the race. Amazing!

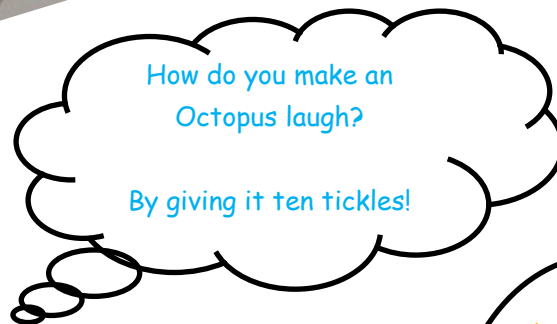


RED NOSE DAY—COMIC RELIEF JOKES



Why did the cow jump over the moon?

Because he was going to the Mooovies!!!



How do you make an Octopus laugh?

By giving it ten tickles!



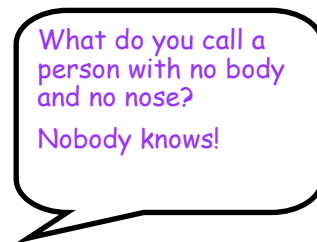
What do you call a fat psychic?

A four chin teller!!!



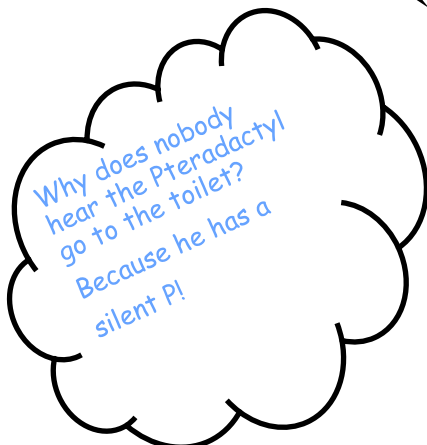
Why did the boiled egg win the race?

Because it couldn't be beaten



What do you call a person with no body and no nose?

Nobody knows!



Why does nobody hear the Pteradactyl go to the toilet? Because he has a silent P!



What do you call a chicken with lettuce over its eyes?

Chicken Ceasar Salad!!!

Diary Dates 2022/23



2022/23 INSET Days

Friday 31st March 2023

Friday 21st July 2023



Spring Term 2023 - Tuesday 3rd January—Thursday 30th March

Half Term—Monday 13th—Friday 17th February

Easter Holiday—Monday 3rd April— Friday 14th April

Summer Term 2023 - Monday 17th April - Thursday 20th July

Half Term: Monday 29th May—Friday 2nd June



Spring Term 2023

Tuesday 21st March	1.30—2.30 Dance House GAS Performance at North Mundham School
Wednesday 22nd March	Westgate Swim Programme for Beech and Chestnut
Wednesday 22nd March	SSP Swim Gala at Arun Leisure Centre (Swim Squad)
Wednesday 22nd March	Bookfest Assembly
Thursday 23rd March	2.30—Maple Class Open Afternoon
Thursday 23rd March	5.30, Full Governing Body Meeting
Monday 27th March	2.30—Chestnut Class Open Afternoon—Space Exploration!
Tuesday 28th March	2.30—Beech Class Open Afternoon
Wednesday 29th March	Final Westgate Swim Programme for Beech and Chestnut
Wednesday 29th March	1.00-3.00, SSP '60 Active Minutes' at Westgate, selected Beech Class
Wednesday 29th March	6.30 Chichester Runners Corporate Challenge
Thursday 30th March	End of Term Assembly at West Dean Church (details to follow)
Thursday 30th March	SSP Future Flyers Westgate (selected Yr 5/6)
Friday 31st March	INSET Day
Monday 17th April	First Day of Summer Term
Tuesday 18th April	Whole School visit to West Dean Gardens and Greenhouses
Thursday 20th April	PTA Film Night (Details tbc)
Wednesday 17th May	1.00—3.45, SSP Tri Golf, Chichester Golf Club (selected Yr 3/4)
Thursday 18th May	1.00-3.00, SSP Future Flyers, Westgate (selected)
Saturday 20th May	7.30pm, Cormorants Swim Gala at Westgate (Swim Squad)
Wednesday 24th May	1.30—3.30, SSP Tennis at Bishop Luffa (selected Yr 3/4)