

#### West Dean Church of England Primary School

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Newsletter 16 12<sup>th</sup> January 2018



#### Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back and Happy New Year from everyone here in school. We are delighted with the new start to a new term: the children are focused and engaged in lots of wonderful things already. Maple Class have already visited Africa, KS2 have been swimming and we are almost ready for Chestnut Class to perform in Chichester Festival Theatre with the United Voices choir. Mrs. Plackett has settled in so well and is a great addition to our Apple Class team: she and Mrs. Chilton have struck up a superb working relationship. She is really getting to know the children well and is a very experienced early years expert who is bringing lots to the role. Leo in Beech Class has won a prize for the whole class (more of that below) with a superb piece of independent writing. We have had lots of parents coming along to our workshops to find out about multiplication: they all know about commutativity, arrays, grid methods etc. and some top tips for learning times tables. We are proposing to provide a final session, after our Division workshops, where we will share some fun maths games and songs etc which should help to make maths even more fun at home. All in all, it is promising to be another fabulous year for us all.

We are trialling a slightly different newsletter format, with weekly reminders all in one box on the front page - hopefully this will help stop forgotton swim kit etc! Do let us know if this is helpful. Each class will have PE lessons etc as per their timetable, but the weekly reminders should flag up any changes and reminders about clubs etc.



#### The week ahead.....

#### January Monday 15th:

Clubs: Think Tank- Mrs Prudence (Yr4,5,6) French - Mrs Crombie (Yr3,4,5,6)

Tuesday 16th: selected pupils - Y3/4 football tournament

Governors' Meeting - 5:30pm followed by social meeting at The Dean

Clubs: Art - Mrs Moss (Yr4,5,6) Gym - Miss Hall (Yr 2,3,4) Swimming - Mrs Goacher/Mrs Johnson (selected pupils)

Wednesday 17th: no Valley Voices Choir meeting

Clubs: Change for Life - AAA Coaching (Yr 2,3,4,5,6,) Cookery - Mrs Muggeridge/Miss Boxall (Yr3, 4,5,6)

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup>: No Swimming Lessons, Chestnut class - rehearsal for United Voices all morning-travelling to CFT by minibus/coach. United Voices performance - pupils to arrive at CFT for 6:30, performance from 7:15 - 8:15

Clubs: Dance - Mrs Holder (Yr3,4,5,6) Craft - Mrs Garfield (Yr 1, 2,3)

Friday 19th: Saxophone and clarinet lessons - Mrs Schofield (West Sussex Music Trust)

Clubs: Running - AAA Coaching (Yr4,5,6) Sports - AAA Coaching (Yr 1, 2,3) No Strings club

Thank you for your patience whilst our internet was faulty over the last few days - we are hoping that normal service is resumed now!

#### Swimming News

The training team has now been selected and we are really looking forward to continuing our 'Squad Training' which began on Tues  $9^{th}$  January at Westbourne House, 6.30-7.15pm.

Our first Westgate swim session was held this week and will continue every Thursday through the spring term with the exception of Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> January when we will be rehearsing for our United Voices concert.



Division

#### MATHS MATTERS - come into school and find out how we teach calculation!

These sessions have been highly valued and we will continue into the new year with multiplication and division.

Please don't be put off by any of the content: we won't be putting anyone 'on the spot' but will be demonstrating (
maths and how we do it at all levels from YR to Y6.

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February

Maths Matters - Parent Information Sessions/workshops8.45 - 9.302.10 - 2.555.45 - 6.30MultiplicationThursday 11th JanuaryMonday 8th JanuaryThursday 11th January

Please let Mrs Bailey know which sessions you are attending, by phoning, emailing or popping in



Music - Beech and Chestnut classes gave a very enjoyable concert at the end of their 1Term 2 Learn clarinet and saxophone sessions. If your child enjoyed the experience of learning one of these instruments, and would like to continue with either group or individual lessons, you can find details of the cost of lessons and of hiring an instrument at the West Sussex Music website- <a href="music@westsussexmusic.co.uk">music@westsussexmusic.co.uk</a> or conta Schofield at <a href="julie.schofield@westsussexmusic.co.uk">julie.schofield@westsussexmusic.co.uk</a> if you have queries about your child's suitability to the instrument. (see attached information)

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February

#### **HEADLICE**



Since the Christmas holidays, we have noticed a number of children are suffering with these 'visitors'.
Please check your child's hair regularly – long hair should be tied up. Thank you!

Wednesday 31st January

#### Chichester District Foodbank

Thank you to everyone who supported us with donations to the Chichester District Foodbank; we would like to continue to support them and would like to ask that if you have any food items left over from Christmas that are still in date, to bring them into school and we will arrange for them to be delivered.

We are going to continue to have a box in the Reception area to collect any items that you would like to donate and Mrs Jen Rogers has very kindly agreed to make regular deliveries of our goods

The Landlord's Cat
We have copies of the
Landlord's Cat
available to purchase
on DVD, these are
available on
Schoolmoney.co.uk at
a cost of £5 each.

The Novium Museum - Friday 20th April, Beech Class Sleepover.

Leo Malan entered a writing competition which he has won; the prize is a sleepover at the Museum for the whole of his class. This will comprise a detailed visit of the museum and various activities with an over-night stay, further details of which will follow shortly.

Well done Leo!

Spring Term Thursday 4th January - Thursday 29th March 2018

Half Term: Monday 12th - Friday 16th February 2018

Friday 9th February - Inset Day

Tuesday 16th January - Year 3&4 Football at Chichester University

Tuesday 16th January - Governor Meeting

Thursday 18th January, 9.15-12.30 - Chestnut Class United Voices rehearsal at CFT

Thursday 18th January, 7.00-8.00 - Chestnut Class United Voices performance at CFT

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January, 1.00-3.00 - Year 5 & 6 Cross Country at Bishop Luffa

Monday 29th January, 1.00-2.30 - Enrichment Day at Chichester Cathedral (selected pupils

Tuesday 30th January - Dance House Competition at The Alexandra Theatre, 6.30pm

Thursday 1st February, 6.00-7.00 - E-Safety Parent Information Session, Fishbourne School

Thursday 8th February, 2.30-3.30 - Community Café

Friday 9th February, 9.00-4.00 - AAA Coaching (INSET DAY)

#### HALF TERM

19th - 23rd February - Alive and Kicking Week as we kick start our learning about healthy lives

5th - 9th March - Cycling Proficiency/Bikeability Week - Y6 pupils in the afternoons

15th March - Governor Meeting

Week commencing 26th March - Parents' Evenings

Thursday 26th April - Governor Meeting

Monday 7th May - Bank Holiday

Week commencing 14th May - SATs week

Friday 25th May - Chestnut Class Community Café

Saturday 16th June - Chartres Art Competition ceremony

Wednesday 4th July - INSET Day - school closed to children

Friday 20th July - Last Day of school - 8:45 assembly - all welcome

Easter Holidays: Friday 30th March to Friday 13th April 2018

Summer Term 2018: Monday 16th April - Friday 20th July 2018

Half Term: Monday 28th May - Friday 1st June 2018

Monday 23rd and Tuesday 24th July - Inset Days

Autumn Term 2018: Monday 3rd September - Wednesday 19th December

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December- Father Christmas visit to West Dean College (TBC)

Monday 17th December - Chartwells Christmas Lunch, Christingle Making in School

Monday 17th December, 5.00 - Christingle Service in West Dean Church (children arrive 4:40

please)

Tuesday 18th December - PTA Christmas Party in the afternoon Wednesday 20th December, 8.45 - End of Term Assembly - all welcome

















Half term: Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October to Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October

NB: Autumn term INSET days are yet to be decided

Christmas Dates for 2018!



#### Acorn Awards Fríday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2018

**Emie** - for always being ready to learn and do her very best

**Emma** - for being enthusiastic about her learning in school

**Evie** - for her enthusiasm and increased confidence in maths

**Emmy** - for her descriptive writing about the Home picture - using prepositions and starting with verbs

**Cameron** - for focus and concentration with his map work of the British Isles

**Chestnut Class** - for their fabulous singing in the rehearsals for their United Voices event

	Current Useful Information and Reminders					
Parent & Carer Drop-in Sessions	Every Wednesday 3.00-3.15 - Pop in and see your child's classroom and have a look at their work. Teachers will be available every Wednesday for informal chats - do pop in. We would love to have the opportunity to share your child with you.					
Care Bears	Care Bears After School Provision - this will run every day from 3.00-4.00.  Please make sure that you have booked for your required place through <a href="https://www.schoolmoney.co.uk">www.schoolmoney.co.uk</a> . Please make sure that you let u know, if you have booked a place and are collecting your child at 3.00 we are then able to release your Care Bears place to another child.					
After School Clubs	Please do check the timetable for dates when the clubs will be running and for weeks when there are no clubs. Please also make sure that you have booked and paid for club places on schoolmoney.co.uk.  Schoolmoney.co.uk on-line payments enables you to book for trips and clubs etc. and make payments on-line.  Please do log in regularly and check for 'live' visits and events.  Please log-in to your account to make sure any outstanding balances					
Late Arrivals	are settled.  Just to clarify our timings: from 8:20, we have two members of staff on the playground to					
	supervise children, which means adults can leave from then onwards. Children come into the classrooms, ready to learn, at 8:35, when the bell is rung. At 8:40, the register is taken. Any children arriving after this time enter through the main school entrance, so that we can ensure we keep children safe.  From Monday 9th October, we will have a 'late arrivals' book in the entrance area so that we can log those children who are persistently late, as this will help to explain inconsistencies in the progress for some children, and is an important record of our attendance. Please do complete the 'late arrivals' book, giving the reason for your lateness. Please note that this is a parental responsibility.  Children should be arriving at school with an adult - they will not put their own names in the book -we will expect the accompanying adult to complete this, please. I have asked our office staff to ensure this is adhered to.					
	This enables lessons to be 'in full swing' by 8:45 at the latest, and means that we make good use of the time we have in school.  Late Collections  On a similar note, please ensure that you collect children on time after school and clubs. Our staff have many other responsibilities and are wasting valuable time waiting for children to be collected.					
AAA Coaching	AAA Coaching will be available on Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> February. Please contact Ben for further details and to book your place. ben@aaacoaching.co.uk					
	PTA News:  If you would like to get involved in the PTA in any way please to contact Leisa (leisa.chambers55@gmail.com) or contact the school office (office@westdean.w-sussex.sch.uk)					

West Sussex Music Herbert Shiner School South Grove Petworth West Sussex GU28 OEE



08 January 2018

Dear Parent / Carer

#### clarinet and saxophone lessons

I am delighted with the progress your children have made during our *clarinet and* saxophone 1Term2Learn sessions last term and, as our programme has come to an end, I am writing to highlight the options for future tuition.

The most cost effective way for your child to continue to learn is in small group lessons. These lessons cost £8 per lesson / £20.67\* per month, with a remission scheme available. I will be able to start groups when I have a minimum of 6 pupils waiting.

Alternatively you can opt for either 20 or 30 minute individual lessons. These lessons cost £12.35 per lesson / £31.90\* per month and £17.70 per lesson / £45.73\* per month respectively.

For me to be able to continue to visit the school there will need to be sufficient interest to sustain a visit of an hour. Our music centre in Chichester also hosts a broad range of other reasonably priced musical activities which will also be of benefit to your child.

For more information and full terms and conditions, and to apply for lessons, please visit our website <a href="https://www.westsussexmusic.co.uk">www.westsussexmusic.co.uk</a>.

I am happy to answer any questions you may have and you can contact me at julie.schofield@westsussexmusic.co.uk.

Best wishes,

Julie Schofield

Visiting Woodwind Teacher



Day	Adult Lead Mrs Prudence		Club Think Tank	Cost		Year Group
Monday				£	10.00	Yr4,5,6
	Mrs Crombie	14	French	£	30.00	Yr3,4,5,6
Tuesday	Mrs Moss	10	Art	£	8.00	Yr 4, 5, 6
	Mrs Goacher/Mr Cruttenden	14	Swimming	£	25.00	selected
	Miss Hall	14	Gym	£	10.00	Yr 2,3,4
Wednesday	AAA Coaching	14	Change for Life	£	15.00	Yr 2,3,4,5,6,
	Mrs Muggeridge/Miss Boxall	8	Cookery	£	10.00	Yr3, 4, 5, 6
Thursday	Mrs Holder	14	Dance	£	15.00	yr 3,4, 5, 6
	Mrs Garfield	8	Craft	£	10.00	Yr 1, 2, 3
Friday	AAA Coaching	14	Running	£	12.00	Yr 4,5,6,
	AAA Coaching - Mr Johnson	14	Sports	£	12.00	Yr 1, 2 , 3
	Miss Urquhart		Strings x4	£	20.00	musicians

#### Club Dates:

W/C 8th Jan, 15th Jan, 22nd Jan, 29th Jan and 5th Feb

No Clubs W/C 1st January (with the exception of Dance and Strings - see note below) In addition to our after school club programme our Care Bear provision is available everyday, Mon-Fri, 3.00-4.00pm. Please make sure that you book in.

All clubs run from 3.00-4.00, with the exception of Cookery Club which finishes at 4.15

Our swimming club will be held at Westbourne House school, 6.30-7.15pm For all clubs and care bears, you can make your bookings on-line at Schoolmoney.co.uk. Please contact the school office if you require a reminder of your log-in details.

Places for clubs are limited and will be allocated on 'first come, first served' basis.

Please note: there will be an additional date for Dance Club, Thursday 4th January, this is our first day back at school after the Christmas holiday and will be in preparation for our Dance House competition.

Strings Club dates: Friday 5th , 12th & 26th January and 2nd February. There will be no strings club on Friday 19th January

There will be no Art Club on Tuesday 30th January due to Dance House Performance.

There will be no AAA sports after sc hool club on Friday 9th Febraury as this is an Inset Day for us. AAA Coaching will be available from 9.00-4.00 on this date

For 4-11 year olds

# Peregrine Workshop

## Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> February 10.30–11.30am

Join Birdwatcher and Author Rob Yarham (of the Sussex Ornithological Society) and Local Artist Karen Swann for a Creative Workshop to coincide with our half term art exhibition.

- · Gain an insight into the lives of the Chichester Peregrines
- · Find out how the art was made
- · Create and illustrate your own Peregrine book

Tickets are free but places are limited so please book to avoid disappointment.







Parents and carers are asked to remain on the premises during this activity.



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Tower Street, PO191QJ. 01243 777351





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03/01/2017

Dear West Dean CE Primary School

On behalf of Chichester District Foodbank I would like to thank you for your generous donation of £400 to help sustain the work of Chichester District foodbank to feed those who are in crisis. Since we opened in September 2012 we have fed 10,236 people in crisis and this money will go towards feeding more people. We have also started a lunch pack scheme in the 3 main school holidays for families who are finding it hard to feed their children because they usually get free school meals due to low income. In the recent summer holidays we fed 303 children.

The project relies solely on donations from the community and we really value your support.

Yours sincerely

Joanne Kondabeka Project Manager







### **February Half Term MULTI-SPORTS** CAMPS





### Friday 9th

(Inset Day)

(7 hours of sport)

£16 per day





**Monday 12th Tuesday 13th** 









Football - Indoor Hockey - Dodgeball - Boxing (non-contact) - Baseball - Mini Olympics - Cricket Mini Golf - Tag Rugby - Tag American Football - Volleyball - Basketball - Fitness Games - Gymnastics Table Tennis - Netball - Badminton - Tag Games - Team Games - Relay Races - Tennis - Archery

To register your child email: ben@aaacoaching.co.uk

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