



**West Dean Church of England Primary School**  
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**Newsletter 3 20th September 2019**



Dear Parents and Carers,

I am delighted with the way the school year has begun. Already we can see our new YR pupils learning the systems and routines in school, They are a very young group this year, but they are already enjoying books with other children, counting and sharing, and are secure with their first sounds/phonemes. They are having lunch and socialising beautifully with the other children. Throughout the school, the classes are working hard, with Miss Ashton leading a very happy Y2 class and already producing some super writing. In Beech and Chestnut Classes, the children have had their second week of learning the drums (djembe) with Kristian Baliika and are progressing really well. Our Y4 pupils in particular have impressed us by showing the Y3 children how things are done in KS2, and in Chestnut Class the atmosphere is one of happy learning and respect, with some already very challenging work being tackled confidently by the children.



On Monday, Chestnut and Apple Class tried their hands at the Forest School activities. Everyone is very excited to see what we can achieve with our environment in the next few months. Our orchard is full of apples and we hope to harvest them for everyone to share next week.

We have had our Parent Information sessions for each class and hope that they were helpful. Do keep up to date with the learning by attending these as often as you can and by reading the termly letters from teachers, as we have lots of trips and activities planned.

Hugo Van Driel has visited us for an assembly this week and we will soon welcome other clergy to support us during this period of interregnum (whilst we are without a priest in the parish) including the Archdeacon of Chichester on 5th November.

*The week ahead..... September 2019*

**Monday : Beech Class Village Walk**

**Clubs—Drama**

**Tuesday: Drama4All Workshop—KS1**

**Clubs—Swimming at Westbourne House**

**Wednesday : Clubs—Cookery and Chess**

**Thursday : 5.30pm—Governing Body Meeting**

**Clubs— Lego & Judo**

**Friday: Clubs - AAA Sports**

*NB: the viability of our clubs depends on numbers— if too few pupils sign up for a club we will regrettably not be able to run it*

**Car Parking**

Just a reminder that the car park is for use by parents/ carers who have a child in Reception. Parents/carers who have children of pre-school age may also use the car park. Please ensure that you have your parking permit on display in your windscreen, If you do not have a permit, please pop into the office to request one. Alternative parking is available in the village and at The Dean. Thank you.

Please also take care not to park in or block the disabled parking bay, leaving this free for people who need it.

Thank you for your support in keeping us all safe in our car park.

**Aldi's KitsFor Schools—Get Set to Eat Fresh**

We're collecting Team GB stickers with Aldi's Kit for Schools. (Please see attached information).

This gives us the opportunity to collect stickers; if we fill the chart with 300 stickers we can receive a school sports kit. In addition, 20 primary schools will have the chance to win £20,000.

When you spend £30 in Aldi you will receive a Team GB sticker—we need to fill our poster with 300 stickers by 3rd November, please do have a look at the giant sticker chart that will be on display; you can drop your stickers into the school office.

## Star Bakers at the Weald & Downland Living Museum

Four children from Beech Class took part in a workshop entitled 'The Story of Bread' at The Weald & Downland Living Museum this week, accompanied by Mrs Jen Rogers

We were asked for our help in the Museum's development of schools workshops based on their recently reconstructed Bakehouse. The children learnt about the history of bread making and even baked their own bread in the Bakehouse to take home with them.



Hello Yellow Mental Health Week—7th—11th October.

To help raise awareness of mental health we will all be wearing something yellow on Friday 11th October; this can be anything at all from clothing, badges, hair bands, socks, scarves etc.

We will be holding a 'Yellow Bake Sale' after school on Friday, 2.45, please do come along and support us by buying cakes and bakes. If you are able to make anything to bring along that would be amazing and if it's yellow that would be even better.



Money raised from the sale will be split between a Mental Health charity and our School Parliament, thank you for your support.

Look out for further details to follow shortly from the children.



Pupils from around the UK went "on strike" today as part of a global campaign for action on climate change.

Students around the country walked out of schools to call on the government to declare a climate emergency and take active steps to tackle the problem.

Some children from West Dean took part, and they will share their learning with us when they return next week.



## Diary Dates 2019/20

Autumn Term 2019: Tuesday 3rd September - Friday 20th December

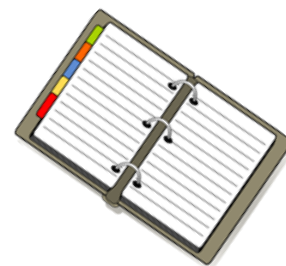
Half Term : Monday 28 October - Friday 1st November

Spring Term 2020: Monday 6th January - Friday 3rd April

Half Term: Monday 17th—Friday 21st February

Summer Term 2020: Monday 20th April—Friday 17th July

Half Term: Monday 25th May—Friday 29th May



### 2019/20 INSET days

Friday 25th October, Monday 1st June, Wednesday 1st July, Monday 20th July

Monday 23rd September—Beech Class Village Walk

Tuesday 24th September—Drama 4 All Workshops—YR, 1, 2

Thursday 26th September—Governing Body Meeting

Monday 30th September—Visit to Chichester Records Office— Yr5 & 6—selected pupils

Tuesday 1st October—Chestnut Class visit to Southampton Museum

Wednesday 2nd October—Zehra Hicks visiting author in school

Thursday 3rd October—Paul Collicut visiting author in school

Thursday 3rd October—PTA Quiz Night

Friday 4th October—Maple Class visit to Chichester Planetarium

Monday 7th October—Literacy Enrichment Chichester Cathedral—selected pupils only

Tuesday 8th October—Maple Class visit to Weald & Downland Museum re Breadmaking

Wednesday 9th October—Flu Vaccinations

Friday 11th October, 2.45—Hello Yellow Bake Sale

Tuesday 15th October—Parents Evening & Scholastic Book Fair

Wednesday 16th October—Parents Evening & Scholastic Book Fair

Wednesday 16th October—Apple Class visit to Portchester Castle

Wednesday 16th October—School Friends Service Chichester Cathedral—Beech Class

Friday 18th October 8.45am —Harvest Festival Assembly—all welcome

Tuesday 22nd October, 5.15-7.15 - PTA Film Night (further details to follow)

Thursday 24th October 2.30pm—Community Café in hall

Friday 25th October—INSET Day—school closed

*Acorn Awards*  
*Friday 20th September 2019*

*Solomon - for some amazing 'dot day' artwork.*

*George T - for being so kind and considerate of others, making sure everyone is happy.*

*Anu - for fantastic partitioning work in maths this week*

*Rupert - for a superb attitude towards learning in maths. Keen to tackle 'big' numbers and further mathematical knowledge.*

*Mabel - for an amazing start to Year 4! Organised and so helpful in the classroom. Furthermore, your handwriting has transformed and it is lovely to see you so ready to learn.*

*Tallulah - for showing strong inference skills when interrogating the illustration in our class text.*

*Ewan - for being an inference expert! You showed very strong inference skills—such an important reading skill.*



## West Dean CE Primary School - Club Hub

After School Clubs    Autumn 1

Autumn Term 2019

first half of Autumn term

x5 weeks

Day	Adult Lead	Max	Club	Cost	Year Group
<b>Monday</b>	Mrs K Prudence	12	Drama	£ 25.00	4,5,6
<b>Tuesday</b>	Mrs S Johnson & Mrs S Goacher	20	Swimming WH	£ 25.00	3,4,5,6
<b>Wednesday</b>	Mr P Chambers	10	Chesskids	£ 25.00	4,5,6
	Mrs S Muggeridge & Miss J Boxall	10	Cookery	£ 25.00	3,4,5,6
<b>Thursday</b>	Mr M Pring	18	Judo	£ 27.50	3,4,5,6
	Mrs S Pearmaine	12	Lego	£ 25.00	1,2
<b>Friday</b>	Mr B Johnson	25	AAA Coaching	£ 25.00	1,2,3,4,5,6,

Club Dates:    W/C 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th September and 7th October.

There will be no after school clubs during the week commencing 14th & 21st October,

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.

Westbourne House Swimming is 6.30-7.15pm

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

For all clubs and care bears, you can make your bookings on-line at [Schoolmoney.co.uk](http://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.**

**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 places through [www.schoolmoney.co.uk](http://www.schoolmoney.co.uk). Please make sure that you let us 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.





## Current Useful Information and Reminders:

Thank you to everyone who supported us with donations to the Chichester District Foodbank; 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.

**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.**

### School Money on-line donations.

We have been asked to set up the facility for people to make donations to the school if they would like to. This is available on Schoolmoney.co.uk and will show on your account as 'School Donation' with the amount of £1. There is absolutely no obligation to make this donation and if you wish, you can alter the figure to select the amount that you would like to pay.

Any donations to the school are very much appreciated and we thank you for your support.

**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 are settled.**

### PTA News:

If you would like to get involved in the PTA in any way please to contact [westdeanpta@outlook.com](mailto:westdeanpta@outlook.com) or contact the school office ([office@westdean.w-sussex.sch.uk](mailto:office@westdean.w-sussex.sch.uk))

### Lost Property

Don't forget to check the lost property 'bin' , on the pavilion decking, for any items that you might be missing.

Please make sure that school uniform is clearly named to enable us to return clothing that has been found.