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Newsletter 14 13th December 2019



Dear Parents and Carers,

We have been busy preparing for Christmas in school, with the emphasis remaining on lots of learning, do check the calendar so that you are prepared for the Christmas events next week.

Tickets are still on sale for our Christingle service, please go to schoolmoney.co.uk.

This week we enjoyed performing and watching our KS1 production of 'It's A Baby'. Apple and Maple class children did an excellent job of singing and acting the 'Christmas Story'. Thank you for supporting us with this; through the sale of tickets we will be able to make a donation to Shelter. Further information can be found at www.shelter.org.uk



Monday 16th December—Christingle Service at West Dean Church, 5.00pm.

We would like children to arrive at 4.45 please. You should have received your programme/ticket with your row and seat number, entry is ticket only. Parking is available in the church car park for parents of children in Reception and for visitors with limited mobility. Other parking is available at West Dean College where a PTA team will be meeting and greeting and ready to escort you through to the church. We will need to dismantle the stage and take all of the equipment back to school after the service; if you are able to help with this, please do let us know.

Wednesday 18th December—Children visiting West Dean College.

Please ensure that your child has a waterproof coat and wellingtons for our visit on Wednesday, we will be walking to and from the college.

Thursday 19th December—Christmas Party

Children should come to school in their uniform; they may bring party clothes to change into for the afternoon.

Friday 20th December—End of term Assembly at 8.45.

Please do come and join us for our final assembly of 2019.

The week ahead..... December 2019

Monday 16h Dec : -

8.35-9.45 Christingle making in school

5.00pm, Christingle Service in West Dean Church

Tuesday:17th Dec: -

12.00, Chartwells Christmas Lunch

Wednesday 18th Dec

10.00—Carols at West Dean College (children and school staff only)

Thursday 19th Dec:

1.30, Party—children may bring party clothes to change into.

Friday 20th Dec:-

8.45, End of term Assembly—everyone welcome

Clubs: No clubs this week

Keith Garfield

Following a period of ill-health, Keith has decided to hang up his apron and his tools and retire. Keith has been a huge part of our West Dean team for many years and we will all really miss him but he has promised that he will keep in touch and pop in and see us from time to time. Keith is going to join us for our Christmas lunch on Tuesday 17th December. We would really love to give him a huge thank you for all his hard work and dedication; if you would like to make a contribution to a gift for Keith please put it into a clearly marked envelope and drop it into the office.



After School Clubs for the Spring Term

Booking will open for the spring term clubs on Monday 16th December at 9.00am.

Please see attached timetable for the dates and clubs available.

Diary Dates 2019/20

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

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

Half Term: Monday 17th—Friday 21st February

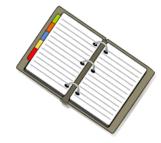
Summer Term 2020: Monday 20th April—Friday 17th July

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

2019/20 **INSET days**

Monday 1st June, Wednesday 1st July, Monday 20th July

Monday 16th December , 8.30-Christingle making in the hall-volunteer adult helpers will be appreciated—let us know if you are available



Monday 16th December—Christingle Service at West Dean Church 5.00 pm—please volunteer to help with parking for a preferential seat! Tickets are available on schoolmoney.co.uk, limited to 2 per family.

Tuesday 17th December—Chartwells Christmas Lunch

Thursday 19th December - 1.30, Christmas Party

Friday 20th December, 8.45 - End of Term Assembly (everyone welcome to join us)



Chichester Foodbank

We will be doing a run to the Chichester Foodbank next week.

If you have anything to spare that you could bring in, please do place it in the basket in Reception.

Thank you for your generosity and support.





Festive Floral Fun





Year 3/4 Football Tournament



On Monday 9th December, West Dean participated in a year 3/4 football tournament at the Regis School. We played 7 games and won 4 games; we lost 2 games and drew 1 game. Overall, we came 5th. All of our team were so proud especially Mrs Wakefield—the West Deanies were really proud.

By Harry Clemens and Wilf Hogg

Maple Class SSP Infant Agility



Junior Valley Voices with Emily Barden the children sang their hearts out and did West Dean proud!



Our picture gallery of some of our sporting and Christmas events that have been happening in school.



Apple and Maple Class' production of It's a Baby.







Acorn Awards Fríday 13th December 2019

Jake - for working really hard on his phonics at home which has made a huge difference in class

Eloise - for a brilliant attitude in the classroom and being kind to everyone

George - for his fantastic role as the narrator in the Nativity; for remembering all his lines clearly and speaking confidently in front of an audience

Robert - for having a super attitude towards his learning and giving everything a go

Josh - for always using lovely manners and being a good role model to others

Cameron - for careful and thoughtful artwork; creating a really impressive geometric iceberg inspired by our Titanic story



After School Clubs Spring Term 2020

Spring 1 first half of spring term

x5 weeks

Day	Adult Lead	Max	Club	Cost	Year Group
Monday	Mrs Andrea Geall	20	Dance	£ 25.00	Yr 3,4,5,6,
Tuesday	Mrs Goacher/Mrs Johnson	20	Swim WBH	£ 25.00	Yr 3,4,5,6,
	Mrs Prudence	10	K'Nex	£ 25.00	Yr 4,5,6
Wednesday	Mrs Muggeridge/Miss Box- all		Cookery	£ 25.00	Yr3, 4, 5, 6
	Mr Chambers	10	Chess/Strategy		Yr 4,5,6
Thursday	Mr Pring	18	Judo	£ 27.50	Yr 3,4,5,6
Friday	AAA Coaching	20	Football	£ 25.00	1,2,3,4,5,6

Club Dates:

W/C 13th, 20th and 27th January and 3rd, 10th February 2020

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.

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 or contact the school office (office@westdean.w-sussex.sch.uk)

Governing Body News:

For information about our Governing Body, to find out who we are and what we do or how to contact us please email Mrs Pasha Delahunty, Cerk to Governors - pdelahunty@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.