



West Dean Church of England Primary School

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Newsletter 1 8th September 2017



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to everyone and a huge welcome to our new little Reception children, and to Ethan and Oliver who have all settled in really well to Apple, Beech and Chestnut Classes. We have had an extremely positive start to the school year: the year groups have 'gelled' really well in Beech and Chestnut Classes, where there is an air of learning and fun; our new Marvellous Maples are responding well to their new teacher; Year 1 children are setting a super example and our new YR children are already established and happy.



We welcome Miss Hall, who is bringing youth, vitality and also lots of experience of working with children - we are delighted to have her on board our team. We would also like to welcome and thank the wider team of grown ups who support the children: we have a number of people helping with reading and lessons for individuals and groups, all of which is carefully timetabled to make the learning even more targeted and effective.

We have lots of exciting things planned this year, including our Alive and Kicking week in the Spring term and a whole school topic for the Summer term, as well as all the usual interactive lessons, trips, visitors, events and day to day learning. If you would like to get involved in any capacity, please do come and volunteer: we would be pleased to have more support with reading, for example, and there are always trips where the presence of an additional adult is beneficial.

We are looking forward to sharing the learning with everyone at home: you should have received the class termly letters explaining routines and learning for the class. Next week there are Information Sessions in the afternoons for each class, where you will be able to find out more and ask any questions you may have. Please see below for details of dates and timings. We also hope to make more guidance about how we teach calculations in maths available - 'watch this space' for details!

Car Parking Permits - September 2017

If your child is in Apple Class you will have received your parking permit for September before the end of term. Please ensure that it is displayed in your car windscreen (if you require an extra permit for childminders or if you have a sibling of pre-school age with no child in Apple Class) and would like to use the car park, please pop into the office and request a permit.

Uniform & PE Shirts

As you are aware our uniform will now be available from Game, Set and Match. All of the children are looking super smart in their new shirts and ties. PE Shirts are now available to purchase in "house colours", so if your child requires a new PE t-shirt, please could you ensure that it is in their house colour. It may be necessary to order new colours, as they are currently being produced. By next Sports Day, all children will be wearing their "house colours" and we are really looking forward to seeing them in their house teams. Thank you.

Fruit Snacks

Please could we all make an effort to send fresh fruit or salad (eg carrot/pepper/cucumber sticks) for snack time, and to try to reduce packaging/waste/rubbish? KS2 children will be eating their fruit at break time from now on, as a general routine, and will need any plastic containers to be named, please, so that they can be returned home. Thank you for your support in keeping the children healthy and the school tidy!

Keeping our children safe and respecting privacy

It has come to our attention that, despite our numerous requests, photos of school and family members have appeared on social media without permission. Although we don't feel that any children have been put in danger, may we remind everyone that this is unacceptable and ask for your support in this matter.

Chichester Library - Animal Agents Summer Reading Challenge

We have received an email from Chichester Library to say how lovely it has been to welcome so many children into the Library over the summer, taking part in the Reading Challenge. They would like to encourage you all to keep reading to reach the six book target, by Saturday 16th September, when you will be awarded your medal. Any children who receive a medal can bring them in to share with us during our celebration assembly which we have each Friday.

Canine Partners - West Dean Wellie Walk

We have received a certificate from Canine Partners thanking us for raising £104.40 for our West Dean Wellie Walk earlier in the summer. Thank you to everyone who took part and for all of your tremendous support.

Secondary School Open Mornings/Evenings:

These are opportunities for year 6 children to visit the secondary schools in preparation for transition.

Chichester High School	Wed 27 Sept, 5.30-8.00	Thurs 5 th & Tues 10 th Oct, 9.30-12.00
Midhurst Rother College	Thurs 28 Sept, 6.30-8.30	Tues 10 th & Wed 18 th Oct, 9.30-11.30
Bishop Luffa	Thurs 5 Sept	Tues 10 th & Weds 11 th Oct
Chichester Free School	Wed 11 Oct, 7.00-9.00	Tues 17 th Oct, 9.30-12.00

MATHS MATTERS

Are you and your children making the most of the Maths Matters Challenges, Sumdog on your computers/tablets and the sample questions at the end of the newsletters? If you take advantage of these things, you will really be supporting your child's development well.

Newsletter questions will begin again next week.



Lost Property

Don't forget to check for lost property - this is located in the drawers on the decking outside of the pavilion. Anything that is not claimed will either go to our pre-loved uniform or to the clothing bank.

Acorn Awards - Friday 8th September 2017

Rose - for coming back to school with a focused and mature attitude to your learning. A great start to year 6

Ethan - for having such an enthusiastic and positive attitude, we are so pleased to have you in Chestnut Class

Mason - for a great, smiley start to Beech class, keen to learn and be a positive asset

James W - for coming back with a great attitude - focussing hard and determined to do his best

Daniel - for his super concentration and brilliant input during lessons

Daisy - for being such a super role model for our Reception this week

A special mention to all of our Reception children for settling so well ☺

Dates for 2017/18

Autumn Term Tuesday 5th September - Wednesday 20th December 2017

Half Term - Monday 23 - Friday 27 October

Class Information Sessions from 2:30 - 3:00

Monday 11th September - Beech Class

Tuesday 12th September - Chestnut Class

Wednesday 13th September - Apple Class

Thursday 14th September - Maple Class

Wednesday 20th September - Beech Class visit to Haslemere Museum

Thursday 21st September - GAS Cycle Event at West Dean (selected children)

Thursday 21st September, 5.30pm - Governing Body Meeting

Friday 22nd September - Jeans for Genes Day

Monday 25th September - Chestnut Class Viking Workshops in school

Friday 6th October - Flu Vaccination programme for years R, 1, 2, 3 & 4

Monday 9th October, 12.30 - 2.45 - Chestnut class School Friends Service, Chichester Cathedral


Friday 20th October, 2.30-3.30 - Community Café

Tuesday 31st October - Apple Class visit to Portchester Castle

Friday 10th November - Remembrance Assembly - all welcome

Monday 20th November - Yellow School Photographs

Thursday 30th November, 5.30 - Governing Body Meeting

	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 places through www.schoolmoney.co.uk . We have had a number of children this term, expecting to be in Care Bears but not booked in or paid for. We only have 1 member of staff and 12 places each day and this has caused us issues. If you have booked a place and your child is not attending please let us know. You can cancel your place through school money and your account will be credited or Please email the office (office@westdean.w-sussex.sch.uk - 01243 811247) Thank you for your support in this matter.
After School Clubs	Autumn term after school clubs will begin again next week. Please do check the timetable for dates when the clubs will be running and for weeks when there are no clubs.
	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 you log into to your account to make sure any outstanding balances are settled.
Class Open Mornings	These are dates when you will be able to spend 20 - 30 minutes in the classroom, finding out about how we learn and teach some specific concepts and skills. We hope that you will join us to aid you in supporting your children. Apple Class: Tuesday 3 rd October Maple Class: Wednesday 18 th October Beech Class: Wednesday 27 th September Chestnut Class: Monday 18 th September
Class Assemblies: 8.45am	Apple Class: Tuesday 14 th November Maple Class: Tuesday 28 th November Beech Class: Thursday 1 st December Chestnut Class: Thursday 23 rd November
Parent Information Sessions: 2.30pm	Apple Class: Wednesday 13 th September Maple Class: Thursday 14 th September Beech Class: Monday 11th September Chestnut Class: Tuesday 12th September
AAA Sports Coaching	AAA Coaching will be available in the half term holiday: Monday 23 rd and Tuesday 24 th October. Please contact Ben for information and to book places. 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)

After School Clubs
Autumn Term 2017

Autumn 1
First half of autumn term

Day	Adult Lead	Max	Club	Cost	Year Group
Monday	Mrs Prudence	14	Think Tank	£ 10.00	Yr4,5,6
	Mrs Crombie	14	French	£ 30.00	Yr3,4,5,6
	Mrs Holder	14	Dance	£ 15.00	Yr 1, 2, 3
Tuesday	Mrs Moss	10	Art	£ 10.00	Yr 2/3
	Mrs Goacher/Mrs Johnson	14	Swimming	£ 25.00	Yr 3, 4, 5, 6
	Mrs Garfield	8	Craft	£ 10.00	Yr 4,5,6
Wednesday	Mrs Pearmaine	14	Debate	£ 10.00	Yr 3 & 4
	Mrs Garfield	8	Craft	£ 10.00	Yr 1,2,3
	Mrs Muggeridge/Miss Boxall	8	Cookery	£ 10.00	Yr3-6
Thursday	Mrs Holder	14	Dance	£ 15.00	yr 4, 5, 6
	Mrs Goacher/Mrs Pearmaine	14	Rounders	£ 10.00	Yr 2-6
Friday	AAA Coaching	14	Sports	£ 15.00	Yr 1, 2, 3
	AAA Coaching - Mr Johnson	14	Football	£ 15.00	Yr 4, 5, 6
	Miss Urquhart		Strings	£ 25.00	musicians

Club Dates:

W/C 11.09.17, 18.09.17, 25.09.17, 02.10.17, 16.10.17. **No clubs w/c 09.10.17.**

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 (tbc)

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.

We are hiring...



- Housekeepers £7.55 per hour
- Food Services Assistants £7.55 per hour
- Commis Chef £7.93 per hour

Successful candidates will work 5 days over 7 on a rota basis, primarily straight shifts with a two week Christmas closure

Benefits include free tickets to outdoor events including Chilli Fiesta, free and discounted places on short courses, employee assistance programme and a contributory pension scheme.

Contact: Alfie Gould on 01243 818276 or alfie.gould@westdean.org.uk

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Festa Italiana

Italian Feast

£2.30

Thursday 5th October

Choose a main or go Half & Half...

Pizza Margherita

(Cheese & Tomato)

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Pasta con Manzo Bolognese

(Beef)

on the side...

Pane all'aglio

(Garlic Bread)

Piselli

(Garden Peas)

Insalata Verde

(Green Salad)

for dessert...

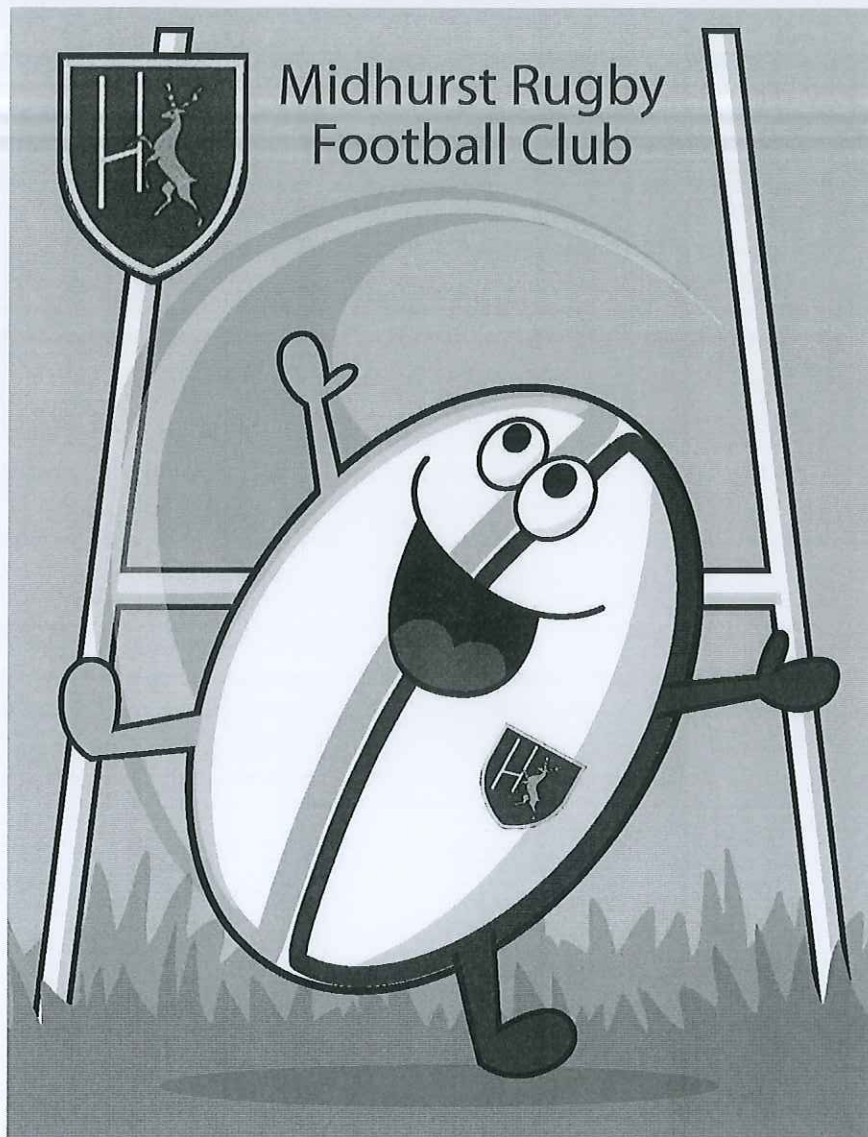
Tutti frutti Yogurt

for a drink...

Latte/ Acqua

(milk or water)





Midhurst RFC Mini & Junior Rugby

**Sunday Mornings 10am – 12noon (September – April)
at Cowdray Ruins, Midhurst**

Rugby is a great game for boys & girls from the age of 6 upwards
Come and share in the core values of Rugby Union

Teamwork • Respect • Enjoyment • Discipline • Sportsmanship

Contact **Paul Dunn 07771 643300** midhurstminirugby@outlook.com



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