

West Dean Church of England Primary School West Dean, Chichester, West Sussex, PO18 ORJ Telephone: 01243 811247 Headteacher: Mrs G. Moss Newsletter 31 21st May 2021



Dear Children and Parents,

Time is flying and we have had lots of super learning to celebrate once again this week. We are poised ready to open our swimming pool, and preparations are under way for our main events later this term: the swimming pool will open, we have announced the parts for our Joseph musical and our special Y5/6 week is taking shape, alongside plans for the Community Café. We have updated our Roadmap to Recovery and have several clubs coming on line for the first weeks back after the holiday. Please take a look at the calendar and keep your eyes open for our communications.

Swimming Pool News:

Work is going well on the new brickwork and fencing around the swimming pool, it has been drained, cleaned and refilled and we will be ready to go on Tuesday 8th June. Please look out for further information about bringing swimming kits in after half term.

We have arranged for a Poolside First Aid training session on Friday 28th May (1.00-3.00) for any parents willing to come along, be first aid trained and help out with running after school swimming sessions. A rota will be available to sign up to. We need a First Aider and at least one other adult for each after school session, so the more people who are trained the more we can share out the sessions and make the most use of the pool for the children. Please read the information sent out regarding this and do all you can to support. Thank you all. Every little bit of support helps!

Please be vigilant with your children and keep an eye out for ticks. They have been spotted already this year!

Ticks are tiny spider-like creatures that live in woods and areas with long grass. They're found all over the UK. Ticks do not jump or fly. They attach to the skin of animals or humans that brush past them. Once a tick bites into the skin, it feeds on blood for a few days before dropping off.

Ticks prefer warm, moist areas of the body. Once a tick gets on your body, they're likely to migrate to your armpits, groin, or hair. When they're in a desirable spot, they bite into your skin and begin drawing blood. Unlike most other bugs that bite, ticks typically remain attached to your body after they bite you.



Please continue to stay safe and PLEASE MAINTAIN COVID SAFE BEHAVIOURS

PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR
FACE COVERINGS
THROUGHOUT OUR SCHOOL
CAR PARK AND PLAYGROUND.

Look at this lovely rainbow!

A sign of hope and God's promise!

lease take extra care in our car park for the next couple of weeks, as we have the works carried out to get the swimming pool area ready for use.

ONLY PARK HERE IF YOU HAVE PRE-SCHOOL or Y1
CHILDREN PLEASE, AND PARK CAREFULLY.

Car sharing would be appreciated.

WE WILL BE INTRODUCING **NEW PARKING PERMITS effective from 8th June**, IN OUR CAR PARK AND IN
THE SELSEY ARMS CAR PARK TOO. See below.

WEST DEAN ROAD MAP

WE ARE CURRENTLY REVIEWING OUR RESTRICTIONS AND ROAD MAP—ANNOUNCEMENTS WILL BE MADE SOON REGARDING FACE COVERNINGS, BUBBLES, START & FINISH TIMES AND CLUBS ETC.

OUR GOVERNORS WILL SUPPORT OUR RISK ASSESSMENTS AS WE MOVE TO A FULLER SCHOOL LIFE ONCE AGAIN.

IN THE MEANTIME, PELASE ADHERE TO CURRENT GUIDELINES.

Thank you for your support in keeping us all safe.

Diary Dates 2021

Spring Term 2021: Monday 4th January—Thursday 1st April

Summer Term 2021: Monday 19th April—Friday 23rd July Half Term: Monday 31st May-Friday 4th June

2020/21 **INSET days**

Thursday 3rd September and Friday 4th September 2020, Monday 22nd February 2021

Monday 7th June, Wednesday 7th July 2021

Monday 28th May, 1.00-3.00—Poolside First Aid Training

Monday 31st May - Trundle Assault Course charity Event (Details attached)

Tuesday 8th June, 9.55—Hugo Van Driel Assembly

Monday 14th June - Yellow School Photos. Leavers and Classes

Wednesday 16th June—Beech Class visit to Chichester Harbour

Monday 21st—Friday 25th June—Chestnut class Activity Week, details tbc

Sunday 4th July, 10.30-5.00 - Rotary Club Family Fun Day (details attached)

Tuesday 6th July, 9.55—Hugo Van Driel Assembly

Friday 9th July, 2.30-4.30—Community Café

Wednesday 14th July, 5.30–7.00—West Dean Show & reception — Oakwood School

Thursday 15th July, 8.45—11.00—West Dean Show & reception — Oakwood School

Friday 16th July, 9am—Leavers' Service at West Dean Church—confirmed date

Wednesday 21st July—Sports afternoon, rounders match and PTA BBQ

Friday 23rd July, 8.45—End of Term Assembly

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You can also download the eschools app, just go to the App store for your device and search eSchools—look out for Owl logo.

Centurion Way

Please see attached information regarding the closure of the Centurion Way while tree works are carried out



Dear Parents and Carers

After School Clubs Summer Term 2021

We are planning to resume some of our After School Club provision, beginning with AAA Coaching and some school staff led clubs.

Mr Johnson will run his sports club on Friday afternoon between 3.00 and 4.00pm and each 'bubble' will have a 2 week block. Mrs Moss will run a fun French club, for 2 weeks for each bubble.

AAA sports club will take place outdoors, on the field, weather permitting; if the weather is wet then the bubble will be in their classroom with alternative resources. Mrs Prudence will run a STEM club, Mrs Johnson will run an art club and Miss Ashton will run a board games club, all in 2 week blocks in the classroom bubbles.

The cost for the 2 week block will be £10 per child, this is available to book and pay for on school-money.co.uk. Booking will be open from 9.00am on Monday 12^{th} April.

If we don't have sufficient numbers in each bubble to make clubs viable to run, we will have to make the decision to cancel the club or offer the weeks to one of the other bubbles.

Clubs will run for 6 weeks, in 2 week blocks, from Friday 23rd April until Friday 28th May.

We will monitor and review this provision and if it is successful and safe, we will look at continuing and possibly expanding this for the second half of the Summer Term.

A timetable is attached below.

After School Club Provision W/C 19^{th} April - W/C 24^{th} May - \times 6 weeks

Date	Beech	Mapples	Chestnut	Chestnut Class Dance Club—Thursday
23 rd April	Ben AAA Coaching	JA Board Games	GM French	Ellie Holder
30 th April	Ben AAA Coaching	JA Board Games	GM French	29th April
7 th May	SJ Art	GM French	Ben AAA Coaching	6th May
14 [™] May	SJ Art	GM French	Ben AAA Coaching	13th May
21 st May	GM French	Ben AAA Coaching	KP STEM	20th May
28 th May	GM French	Ben AAA Coaching	KP STEM	28th May



West Dean CE Primary School Chestnut Class Community Café Friday 9th July 2021

We will be hosting a French themed Community Café at West Dean on Friday 9th July, 2021.

This will be Mrs Moss' final Community Café as Headteacher of West Dean and we will be inviting, not only members of our school community, but guests from West Sussex County Council, the Diocese, GAS schools, our Chichester Locality and friends of the school who have worked with us in the past.

Thank you to all of the children who have designed a picture to be used for the invitation for our Café. We are looking at the designs now and will try to incorporate as many as we can to create a super invitation to go out to our guests.



Car Parking - Permits

Further information will be circulated next week, so please look out for this and be prepared to order a permit for parking on the school car park or in the pub car park. We are awaiting news on a further parking option and will update you as soon as we are able.

Our aim is to improve parking behaviour and safety for our community.

To all schools who participated in our 2020 Shoebox Project.

Thank you for participating in our 2020 Shoebox project.

This was Chichester Priory Rotary's first involvement in this specific Christmas Shoebox project and we were extremely grateful for the help and support of schools at very short notice and in the middle of the Pandemic.

We were delighted to collect 276 filled shoeboxes and to arrange for them to be included in a large shipment to Montenegro, Moldova, Albania and Romania.

Although the Pandemic made it impossible to get the Shoeboxes there for Christmas, they were delivered in February and I have received photographs from Moldova of the children receiving their gifts.

Thanks again – and Best Wishes.

Bob Syme

On behalf of Rotary Chichester Priory. 16 May 2020



West Dean CE Primary School Acorn Awards—Friday 21st May 2021



Florence - for being very supportive and kind to all the children in Apple Class. You always help others and have a smile:)

Amelie - for being a "marvellous monkey" in maths. You are making links in all your learning, keep up the good work!

Jake - for your willingness to have a go along with your independent approach to learning. A fantastic role model!

Mason - for a super start in Beech Class. You have settled in brilliantly and shown enthusiasm towards new learning

Fraser - for your creative ideas during your sweet machine design. Your writing showed fantastic imagination.

Keio - for settling into Chestnut Class and working so hard, You love the learning, and show enthusiasm and motivation in your lessons. Well done.

Ryan - for challenging yourself during our auditions. You demonstrated how powerful a growth mind-set can be. Well done.

Current Useful Information and Reminders: March 2021

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, Clerk to Governors - pdelahunty@westdean.w-sussex.sch.uk

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.

This is currently unavailable but we will be available in the playground each afternoon—Wednesdays remain a good day to 'catch us'.

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

Thank you for supporting out PTA Rainbow Day, we raised over £300!

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.

West Dean CE Primary School Business Bonanza

LOCAL BUSINESS PUBLICITY

We invite you to share your business publicity with us for a minimum donation of £20 for a small box and £40 for a whole page for half a term (usually 6 weeks).

Please log-in to schoolmoney.co.uk to make your donation , this is available as a shop item, alternatively contact the school office:

office@westdean.w-sussex.sch.uk - 01243 811247

