



# West Dean Church of England Primary School

West Dean, Chichester, West Sussex, PO18 ORJ

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Newsletter 18 26<sup>th</sup> January 2018



## Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a busy week with sporting events for KS2 and some super learning throughout school. You may be aware that several children have been poorly over the last couple of weeks: please do all you can to encourage good hygiene, get children to bed early and feed them well. We will do all we can to keep everywhere clean and safe, and to encourage healthy practices. Also, please make sure everyone has wellies and coats in school as we will get children out in the open air every playtime if at all possible.

Next week there is the opportunity for all of you to find out about how you can keep your children safe online....this is vital for parents of all children, from YR to Y6. We are building the children's skills and knowledge on this subject throughout the year, but particularly over the next few weeks. The first week after the half term holiday will be our Alive and Kicking week, with a huge variety of activities for all our children - so keep an eye on the dates as there will be some changes to timetables.

## After School Clubs

Please note that Art Club will not be running on 30<sup>th</sup> January. Craft and Dance Club will not be running on 8<sup>th</sup> February as Chestnut Class will be holding their Community Café. Please accept our apologies.

## The week ahead.....

### January

#### Monday 29<sup>th</sup>:

Treasurer Hunters at Chichester Cathedral (selected children only)

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



#### Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup>: Governors in school monitoring reading

Dance House Rehearsal and Performance at Alexandra Theatre

**Clubs:** Gym - Miss Hall (Yr 2,3,4) Swimming - Mrs Goacher/Mrs Johnson (selected pupils)

#### Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup>:

5.45-6.30 Parent Information Maths Session - Division

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

#### Thursday 1<sup>st</sup>: Swimming Lessons at Westgate for Beech and Chestnut

Safer internet Event at West Dean - Year 6 pupils

6.00-7.00 Esafety Event at Fishbourne School for Parents

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

#### Friday 2<sup>nd</sup>: Saxophone and clarinet lessons - Mrs Schofield (West Sussex Music Trust)

2.20 - SATs Year 6 Parent Information Session

**Clubs:** Running - AAA Coaching (Yr4,5,6 ) Sports - AAA Coaching (Yr 1, 2,3) Strings club





## 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.



### Maths Matters - Parent Information Sessions/workshops

	8.45 - 9.30	2.10 - 2.55	5.45 - 6.30
Division	Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> February	Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> February	Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup> January

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

We plan to offer a workshop to share maths games, resources etc early in the Summer term, as well as to offer a super new book to support grammar and punctuation, for all KS2 pupils. More info soon.



### Chichester District Foodbank

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. Rich Lush from the Foodbank will be coming into school to talk to the children about the work that they do.

### Schools Recruitment Events

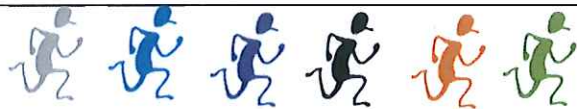
Are you or is someone you know interested in training to be a teacher? Are you a teacher looking for a new post? Are you interested in the new Teaching Apprenticeships? Want to know more about being a school bursar, teaching assistant, learning mentor, working in SEN roles or clerk for a governing body? Are you interested in working for our Adult Education team? Have you considered being a school governor?

West Sussex CC is holding 2 Recruitment Events on Saturday 3rd February at Fontwell Park Racecourse and on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> February at Ifield Community College in Crawley. Both events will run from 1000 - 2.00pm. Come along and meet schools, universities and others organisations to find out about the many roles in West Sussex schools. For more information go to [www.westsussex.gov.uk/jobsinschools](http://www.westsussex.gov.uk/jobsinschools) where you can also find details of who will be at each event. Please see attached poster.

### Future Flyers

We went to Future Flyers at Westgate Leisure Centre on Thursday. We started with some warm up activities which included football, long jump and reaction tests (when a ruler is dropped into your hand and you have to see how quickly you can catch it!). We also took part in fitness activities for strength, distance and speed. We practiced Triathlon events which involved transition from swimming to running and then cycling.

### Cross Country - Chestnut Class



Thank you to Mrs Clemens and Mrs Graham for being our 'coaches' for the afternoon.

We had to run 1,500 metres, and the girls raced first then the boys. 1<sup>st</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> placed pupils then had to race against each other. It was very muddy, squishy, cold and wet but we had great fun!

We plan to prepare more, with a little support from some super parent volunteers, for our next football event. Do let us know if you are able to help with this or with supervising and transporting groups and teams at events.



Spring Term Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January - Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2018

Half Term: Monday 12<sup>th</sup> - Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2018

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February - Inset Day



Monday 29<sup>th</sup> January, 1.00-2.30 - Enrichment Day at Chichester Cathedral (selected pupils)

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> January - Dance House Competition at The Alexandra Theatre , 6.30pm

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February, 6.00-7.00 - E-Safety Parent Information Session, Fishbourne School

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February, 2.20pm - SATs Meeting for Year 6 Parents

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February, 2.30-3.30 - Community Café

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February, 9.00-4.00 - AAA Coaching (INSET DAY)



### HALF TERM

19<sup>th</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup> February - *Alive and Kicking Week* as we kick start our learning about healthy lives

2<sup>nd</sup> March, 8.45am - Chestnut Class Assembly

7<sup>th</sup> March, 8.45am - Maple Class Assembly

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

15<sup>th</sup> March - Governor Meeting

15<sup>th</sup> March - PTA Film Night

Week commencing 26<sup>th</sup> March - Parents' Evenings

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> April - Governor Meeting

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May - Bank Holiday

Week commencing 14<sup>th</sup> May - SATs week

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May - Chestnut Class Community Café

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> June - Chartres Art Competition ceremony

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> July - INSET Day - school closed to children

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July - Last Day of school - 8:45 assembly - all welcome

Easter Holidays: Friday 30<sup>th</sup> March to Friday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2018

Summer Term 2018: Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2018

Half Term: Monday 28<sup>th</sup> May - Friday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2018

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> and Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> July - Inset Days

Autumn Term 2018: Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September - Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December

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!

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

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December - Chartwells Christmas Lunch, Christingle Making in School

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December, 5.00 - Christingle Service in West Dean Church (children arrive 4:40 please)

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December - PTA Christmas Party in the afternoon

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December, 8.45 - End of Term Assembly - all welcome



*Acorn Awards*  
*Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2018*

*Aven* - for working hard on blending her sounds when reading

*Amelia* - for being such a great friend and always having kind words to say about others

*Wilf* - for being so polite to both his friends and grown-ups

*Mason* - for making a real effort to approach his learning with a positive can do approach

*James* - for working hard with his spellings and dictation

*Charlie T* - for using super persuasive language in your Community Café letter

*Kitty H* - for working hard and showing great focus in all aspects of your school life - what a great role model



**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](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.**

**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](http://schoolmoney.co.uk).

[Schoolmoney.co.uk](http://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.](#)

**Late Arrivals**

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 9<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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](mailto:leisa.chambers55@gmail.com)) or contact the school office ([office@westdean.w-sussex.sch.uk](mailto:office@westdean.w-sussex.sch.uk))

# ART ON A POSTCARD

CALLING ALL  
ARTISTS OF ALL  
AGES CONNECTED TO  
WEST DEAN PRIMARY  
SCHOOL!

Be part of an art exhibition to showcase all the talented people in and connected to school whilst raising money for many things that West Dean pupils will enjoy. Just create/produce a drawing, a collage, painting or a photograph on a postcard supplied by the PTA or your own 15cm x 10cm maximum size, we will frame your masterpiece and exhibit it in school!

The submission deadline is Monday 16th April  
Cost of submissions is £2 for children/students and £4 for adults payable online at schoolmoney or a cheque made payable to West Dean PTA  
Exhibition in school

Monday 23rd April until Thursday 26th April

Private View of works on Friday 20th April 6pm - 8pm

Sale /Auction of works on Thursday 26th April 7pm - 8pm

More info to follow ...

Any questions please contact Leisa Chambers  
[Westdeanpta@outlook.com](mailto:Westdeanpta@outlook.com)

Happy creating!





# FAMILY FUN DAYS

Mon 12th - Fri 16th February

10am - 4pm



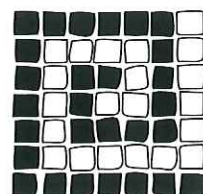
From the Roman kitchen to Roman school, food, ancient crafts and costumes - fun for the whole family!



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ROMAN PALACE  
& GARDENS

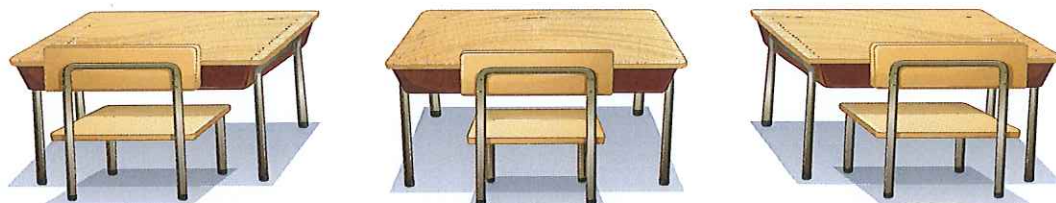
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# RECRUITMENT FAIR

**THERE ARE 284 SCHOOLS IN WEST SUSSEX  
LOOKING FOR SOMEONE LIKE YOU**

**Saturday 3 February 2018 » 10am-2pm**

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Whether you are new to teaching, want to train to teach or looking for a new career, your local school may be the answer



**After School Clubs  
Spring Term 2018**

**Spring 1  
first half of spring term**

x5 weeks

Day	Adult Lead	Max	Club	Cost	Year Group
<b>Monday</b>	Mrs Prudence	14	Think Tank	£ 10.00	Yr4,5,6
	Mrs Crombie	14	French	£ 30.00	Yr3,4,5,6
<b>Tuesday</b>	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
<b>Wednesday</b>	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
<b>Thursday</b>	Mrs Holder	14	Dance	£ 15.00	yr 3,4, 5, 6
	Mrs Garfield	8	Craft	£ 10.00	Yr 1, 2, 3
<b>Friday</b>	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](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.**

**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 school club on Friday 9th February as this is an Inset Day for us.**

AAA Coaching will be available from 9.00-4.00 on this date





# February Half Term MULTI-SPORTS CAMPS



**£16** per day  
(7 hours of sport)

## Friday 9th

(Inset Day)

## Monday 12th

## Tuesday 13th



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# 9am - 4pm

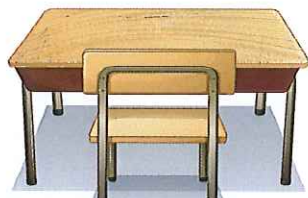
Football - Indoor Hockey - Dodgeball - Boxing (non-contact) - Baseball - Mini Olympics - Cricket  
Mini Golf - Tag Rugby - Tag American Football - Volleyball - Basketball - Fitness Games - Gymnastics  
Table Tennis - Netball - Badminton - Tag Games - Team Games - Relay Races - Tennis - Archery

To register your child email: [ben@aaacoaching.co.uk](mailto:ben@aaacoaching.co.uk)

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Family Activities @ Chichester Cathedral



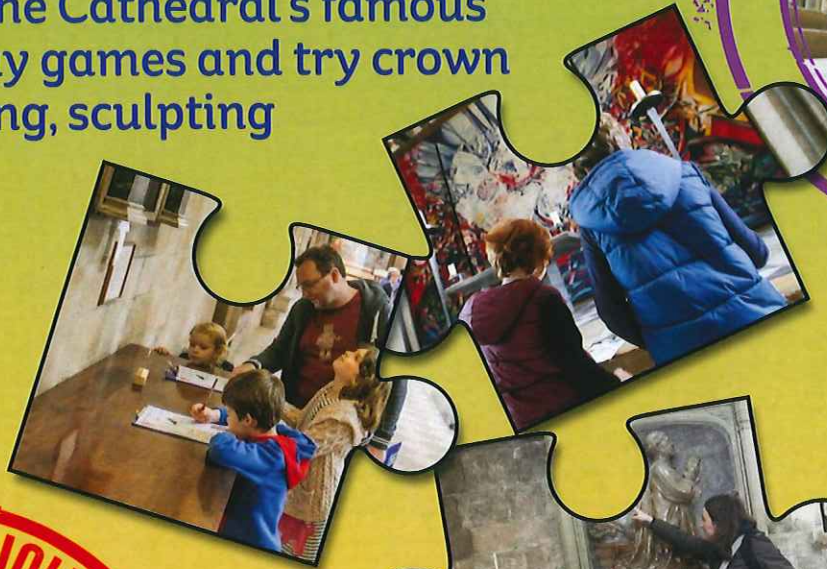
# "FAMOUS FOLK"

Friday 16th February 2018  
From 10am to 3pm



**A fun filled family day to be held in Chichester Cathedral**

Meet some of the Cathedral's famous characters. Play games and try crown making, weaving, sculpting and collaging



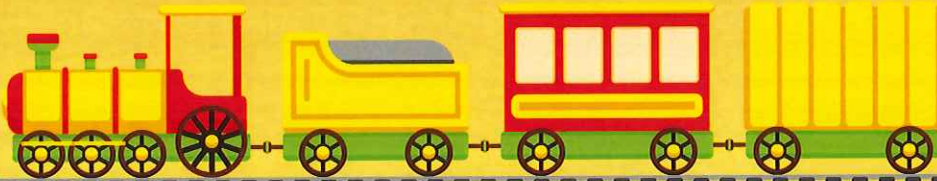
Cloisters café offer of a Kids Meal for £1.50 available with a valid voucher

(Terms and Conditions apply)

CHICHESTER CATHEDRAL PASSPORT

**£1.00**  
per child  
aged 3-12 years.  
(Must be accompanied by an adult)

**NO NEED TO BOOK**



For further details contact Sue on 01243 812497 or email [sue.poil@chichestercathedral.org.uk](mailto:sue.poil@chichestercathedral.org.uk)