



West Dean Church of England Primary School

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Newsletter 30

4th May 2018



Dear Parents and Carers,

Another busy week in school with lots of exciting learning happening in the classrooms.

Our PTA have been busy again and you will have received your raffle tickets in preparation for the Fete in June. Please do sell as many tickets as you can, extra tickets are available, please just ask at the office.

Our SAVE OUR SWIMMING POOL campaign is under way and you will have received information regarding plans to prepare the pool ready for the summer use. Please do sign up if you are able to help us keep the pool open after school and just a reminder that a poolside first aid course will be on Monday 21st May, 1.00-3.00, please let the office know if you would like a place.

Thank you to everyone for supporting us in keeping this valuable resource for our school and our children.

Sadly, our 'Lost Property' storage bin has become damaged and in need of replacement. It was suggested that perhaps a 'Dustbin' would be a good alternative. If anyone has a spare, clean dustbin that we could use, or another set of drawers or something similar, please do let us know.

Please ensure that your child's school uniform is named and this will help us to easily return items and eliminate lost property.



Please see attached poster from our School Parliament.

AAA Sports Coaching will be available

On our Inset Day,
Wednesday 4th July.

This will also be running for the first week of the summer holidays so if you would like a place please make sure you book in advance by contacting

ben@aaacoaching.co.uk
07788661316



CAR PARK PLEA *PLEASE PLEASE do not leave engines running in the car park.*

This is not only bad for the environment in general, but damaging to our health. Children in particular are vulnerable to damage from car fumes, especially those who have suffered from asthma. We have a number of adults in the community who are also susceptible to breathing issues linked to this.



Please note: There will be no after school clubs running this week but Carebears will be open as usual.

May *The week ahead.....*

Monday 7th: Bank Holiday - School will be closed

Tuesday 8th:

Year 5 Quad Kids Sports Partnership Event at Bishop Luffa (selected)

Wednesday 9th:

Year $\frac{3}{4}$ Tri-Golf Sports Partnership Event at Chichester Golf Club (selected)

Thursday 10th:

Year 5 to Churchers College STEM Inter-Schools Challenge

Year 4 Maths Day at Christ's Hospital (x4 pupils)

Sports Partnership Future Flyers at Westgate (selected)

Friday 11th:

Strings Assembly with Alex Urquhart, West Sussex Music, all welcome

Saturday 12th - Lyons Swimathon at Westgate



Art on a Postcard

We raised a staggering £1,400



This super initiative was conceived by Leisa Chambers, the Chairperson of our PTA, and is just one great example of how a new idea can generate interest, enthusiasm, amazing art work and a lot of money! With the sale of many of our pictures for £5 a piece, we already had a lot of money trickling in. Last Thursday evening, after our Governor meeting, we had the final exhibition and auction in the school hall. It was a fun event with an air of excitement and competition: we even had husband and wife bidding against one another at one point!

Thank you to everyone who took part or helped in any way, painting, framing, shopping and supporting with publicity etc! A huge thank you to Leisa and her team; to the staff, tutors and students of West Dean College; artists from Coln Gallery and the local area; to the generous and talented cartoonists; to the staff and artists of Pallant House Gallery for generosity in providing gifts for our winning children; to Chichester Observer for the article; to Chichester Cathedral for loaning the display stands and to all our artists aged 3 to 73!

We are delighted with the money raised, which will support us in our many exciting curriculum enrichment activities, but equally delighted with the experience of having a gallery and auction in school, and a real purpose for our art work. The auction evening was a PTA social event in itself and we hope to do it again in the future.

LAST CHANCE TO BUY!

If your child had a postcard art work on display, it is available for a donation to school. Please pop in to the office.

Security and Safety

This is a major priority for us every day in and around school. We are reviewing our policies and practices, as we do on a regular and frequent basis. Please support us in reading the information which will be sent home over the next few weeks and by adhering to our requests.



- Please only enter the school building via the school office, so that we can check all visitors. Only use cloakroom/classroom entrances when invited by a member of school staff.
- Always sign in for events, visits etc
- Remember to sign children in and out for appointments and if late etc
- Before school - stay with your children on the playground until a school adult is there
- After school - Apple class pupils should be collected from their outdoor area: all other pupils will come onto the playground, where you should be clearly visible **on the playground**, waiting for them, please
- After school club pick ups - we will be locking the pedestrian gates during after school club hours to make this time more secure. Please collect children from the main school entrance for all these clubs, making sure you are clearly visible to staff so that they can dismiss children quickly and safely
- Park safely - only carers and parents of Apple Class children, and those with pre-school children in cars, should use the school car park. Please reverse safely into spaces and take great care. Avoid walking across the car park whenever possible (this will be necessary, with vigilance, upon pick up after clubs, as the pedestrian gates will be locked).
- Ensure your contact details are always up to date and let us know if someone else is collecting children

Books for School

We still have a few of our **£5 Book Tokens** for you to collect. You can then buy classroom library books with your child - pop into the office or email us to let us know you are planning a shopping trip and we will send a voucher home. Thank you for your donations and support in this.

School Donations

Thank you to some parents and friends of the school who have made generous donations. We have been asked if this facility could be set up on our school money payment system. I am pleased to say it is available on-line now. When you log-in to your child's account you will see a line with 'School Donation' £1. If you would like to make a donation of any kind to school, you will be able to log into your account and override the £1 payment with any amount that you would like to make. There is, of course, absolutely no obligation for anyone to make a donation, but if you would like to then this is a quick and easy method to do so. Thank you all very much for your support.

HOME LEARNING RESOURCE

We have copies of the Usborne Junior Illustrated Grammar and Punctuation books available to buy for the children priced at £5 each. We would like every child in KS2 to have their own copy of this publication for use at home.

Acorn Awards

Friday 4th May 2018

Leo - for brilliant listening and always contributing in class

Fraser - for his amazing writing about 'supertato'

Claude - for his perseverance and use of good strategies in maths

Nell - for her book club work - always looking to read between the lines and extend her understanding

Mason - for his Maths Matters work - sudden spurt of confidence!

Will - for an exceptional performance in PE this week! What superb fielding and catching, you are awesome!

Kitty H - for showing a consistently hard-working and conscientious attitude to school life. You try hard and are willing to learn from your mistakes, you are awesome!

Spring Term Thursday 4th January - Thursday 29th March 2018

Monday 7th May - Bank Holiday

Tuesday 8th May, 1.15-3.30 - Sports Partnership Quad Kids Year 5 selected at Bishop Luffa

Wednesday 9th May, 1.00 - 3.45, Sports Partnership Tri Golf, year 3&4 selected

Thursday 10th May, 9.00-3.45 - STEM Inter-Schools Challenge Year 5

Thursday 10th May - Maths Challenge at Christ's Hospital

Thursday 10th May - Future Flyers at Westgate - selected pupils

Friday 11th May, 2.30-2.55 - Strings Assembly with Alex Urquhart

Saturday 12th May - Lions Club Swimathon

Week Commencing 14th May - SATs week

Monday 21st May, 1.00-3.00 - Poolside First Aid Training for parents

Thursday 24th May - Racing to School Maths at Goodwood - Y6 pupils

Friday 25th May - Chestnut Class Community Café

Thursday 14th June - Beech Class Big Camp

Thursday 14th June - Goodwood Little Big Sing at The March School - Y2 pupils

Saturday 16th June - Chartres Art Competition ceremony

Monday 18th June - Whole School Photographs

Tuesday 19th June, 8.45am - Maple Class Assembly

Friday 22nd June - Year 6 Leavers Service at Chichester Cathedral

Saturday 23rd June - Summer Fete

Thursday 28th June 8.45am - Chestnut Class Assembly

Tuesday 3rd July 8.45am - Beech Class Assembly

Wednesday 4th July - INSET Day - school closed to children

Wednesday 4th July - AAA Coaching

Wednesday 11th July, 8.45am - Apple Class Assembly

Friday 20th July - Last Day of school - 8:45 assembly - all welcome

Summer Term 2018: Monday 16th April - Friday 20th July 2018

Half Term: Monday 28th May - Friday 1st June 2018

Monday 23rd and Tuesday 24th July - **Inset Days**

Autumn Term 2018: Monday 3rd September - Wednesday 19th December

Half term: Monday 22nd October to Friday 26th October

NB: Autumn term INSET days are yet to be decided

Christmas Dates for 2018!

Friday 14th December- Father Christmas visit to West Dean College (TBC)


Monday 17th December - Chartwells Christmas Lunch, Christingle Making in School

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

Tuesday 18th December - PTA Christmas Party in the afternoon

Wednesday 20th December, 8.45 - End of Term Assembly - all welcome



	Current Useful Information and Reminders
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.
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. 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 .
	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 th 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.
	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)

Please donate a dustbin



Please donate a dustbin for West Dean's lost property.

The dustbin must be clean and strong.

The dustbin will be replacing our old lost property set of drawers.

Please donate a dustbin.

Alex Wilburn

Finance Department - School Parliament

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3rd May 2018

Dear Parent/Guardian

Re: Measles and the importance of children having received 2 MMR vaccinations

We have been informed by Public Health England of one confirmed case of measles in a child who attends a school in West Sussex (or local to your area-audience dependent); Public Health England is investigating a number of possible further cases. The child is currently recovering from the illness.

We have been asked by Public Health England to communicate the following advice to you:

Measles can be a very serious disease, it is not (as some think) a trivial disease. It can also cause complications including ear infections, diarrhoea, pneumonia and convulsions. It is more likely to be serious in pregnant women, people whose immunity is not working properly and babies under a year of age. Very serious complications, such as inflammation of the brain (encephalitis) are rare, but can be fatal.

Measles is a highly infectious viral illness spread by coughs and sneezes or by direct contact with an infected person. Anyone who is not protected by 2 MMR vaccines is at risk of catching the infection.

The first signs of measles are:

- Fever
- Cough, runny nose and red sore eyes
- After a few days, a spotty rash will appear. It starts on the face and neck before spreading to the rest of the body

If you think that you or your child has measles, ring your GP practice for advice. Do not turn up to your GP surgery, walk in centre or to a hospital accident and emergency without calling ahead. The doctor will make special arrangements so that if you or your child has measles – you won't pass it on to others.

Keep people with symptoms of measles away from others to avoid spreading infection. Stay away from school, nursery or work for 4 days after the onset of rash.

If you would like more information, see <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/measles/>
The MMR vaccine protects against measles, mumps and rubella. Two doses of the MMR vaccine are needed to get the best protection and this can be accessed through your GP surgery:

Public Health England strongly advises that all parents ensure their children and young adults have been immunised with 2 doses of the MMR vaccine.

If you are concerned about your child's health please consult your General Practitioner.

Yours sincerely



Anna Raleigh
Director of Public Health

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Area Manager on 07766 923976

or email kerry.scott@compass-group.co.uk.

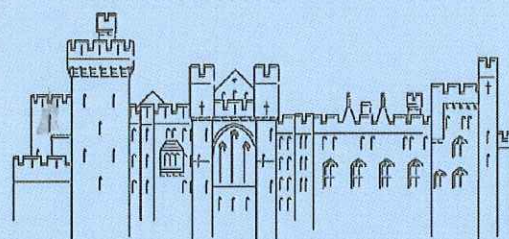
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The County Council is developing a new Bus Strategy which will explore ways in which we can work with bus companies and other partners to help sustain and improve bus services.

We would like your views on our proposals for the new strategy and if there is anything else you think we should include.

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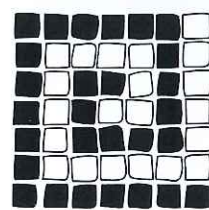


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From: Ben Polhill <benpolhill@everyoneactive.com>
Sent: 23 April 2018 14:36
To: Undisclosed recipients:
Subject: Chichester Junior Triathlon and Chichester Junior Aquathlon
Attachments: 11054_Chichester Triathlon Series 2018_A5.pdf

Dear school,

It is now only six weeks until the Natures Way Foods Chichester Triathlon Series weekend. On Saturday 2nd June we are staging a Junior Aquathlon event and a Junior Triathlon event which will form part of the Triathlon England South East Series. Both the Aquathlon and Triathlon are for young people aged 8-16.

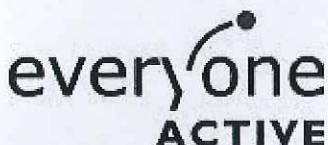
Last year we had over 350 local young people taking part in these events and in 2018 we would like to reach an even greater number. I would be most grateful if you could pass on the following link to the race website to parents in any electronic communication that you have with them. Places are already subsidised, but the code **EATRI** can also be passed on which will give each pupil a further £5 discount on the entry price. If there are any families that cannot afford to pay for this sort of opportunity, please do not hesitate to contact me as we have discretionary places available and would like to see as many people on the start line as possible.

www.everyoneactive.com/chichester-triathlon/

We also have a number of free places available for each school if any teachers/governors would like to take part on behalf of the school. Again, please do not hesitate to contact me if this is the case.

Regards,

Ben Polhill | Sport and Physical Activity Development Manager
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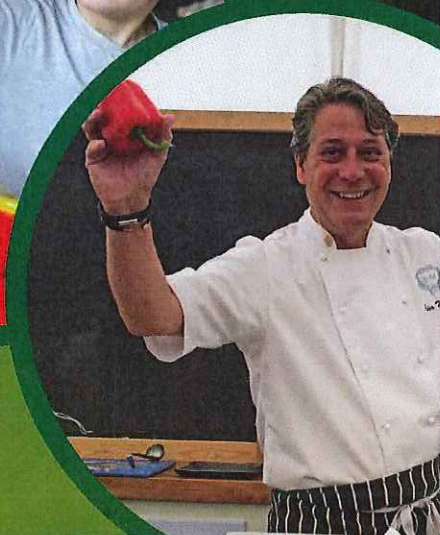
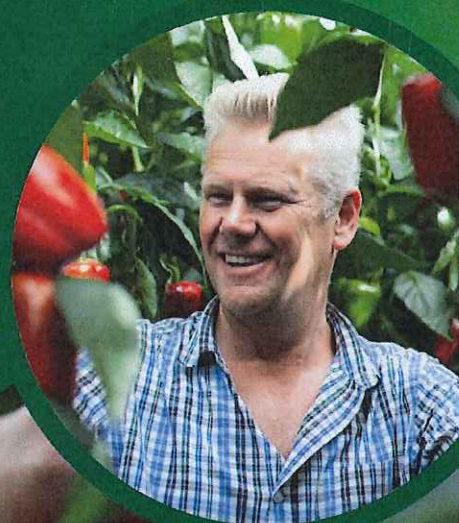
10th June 2018

10.00am – 3.00pm

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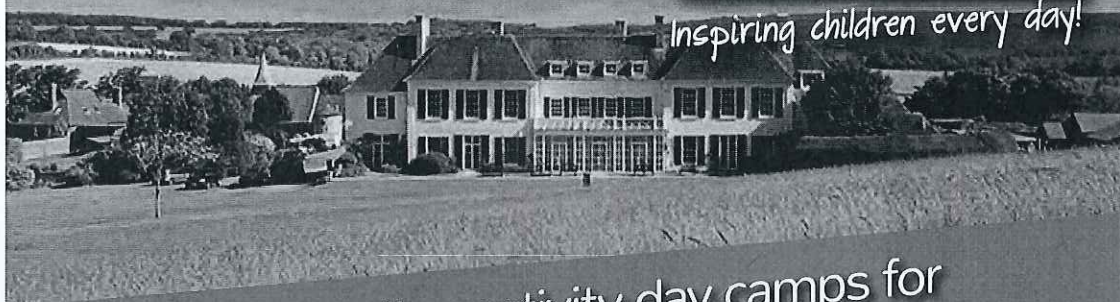
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