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Dear parents, carers and children,

We hope you will agree that the school is looking good, and providing a great learning environment for the children. We would like to thank all the parents and carers who helped us with the tents last week - this makes such a difference to our ability to have children eating outside safely, and to our learning too. A huge thank you to Hazel, Fynn and Ava's grandma, who made the table covers for us last year - they enable us to keep things clean and pleasant, as the birds sometimes seem to 'target' our tables! For next week, if our lunchtime staff can support us in this, we hope to have all children eating outside for the last three weeks. If any Chestnut families could send in a picnic blanket for them to use with two or three friends, that could mean we can seat everyone safely.

We remain very aware of the Covid risks - I am currently being forced to work at home as I have been 'track and traced', after a rare trip out of the house. I have tested negative, with a PCR and LFTs, and our staff are still testing twice weekly. Y6/7 transition events are all cancelled and will be virtual, and we have reduced our YR transition events. Although hospital admissions and deaths remain low nationwide, the infection rate is rising once again. Boris Johnson is still advising that people in England will be 'very likely' be able to return to 'pretty much life before Covid' on and after 19th July. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-51768274>

Thank you for your responses regarding our show plans -we will confirm our plans early next week, taking your responses, WSCC and DfE advice and national data/advice into account.

Please do all you can to help us keep the school running as close to 'normal' as possible, and please stay safe yourselves.

Thank you to everyone who is supporting our Joseph production preparation—

It is going to be a fabulous event, one way or another !

Car Park Safety

We had another 'near miss' this morning when a vehicle leaving the playground almost collided with a van travelling down Motor Road towards the A286. Please do take care when leaving the car park and look out for vehicles in the lane.

Please continue to stay safe and

PLEASE MAINTAIN COVID SAFE BEHAVIOURS!

PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR FACE COVERINGS THROUGH-
 OUT OUR SCHOOL CAR PARK AND PLAYGROUND.

Face Coverings (masks and visors) are available to buy from our Reception if you have forgotten yours.

THANK YOU FOR PARKING CAREFULLY —
 THIS SEEMS TO BE IMPROVING A LITTLE :)

Look at this lovely rainbow!

A sign of hope and God's promise!

Check out the tea towels and aprons available to order, with your wonderful children's images and some lovely depictions of our staff team, 2021!

A classy addition to any kitchen!

Nuts:

We are not officially a 'nut free school' but we do have staff and children in school with a sensitivity to nuts if eaten. Please be mindful of this when preparing packed lunches and snacks to bring into school.

Sussex Art Fairs

We have some invitations for a private viewing of the Sussex Art Fair at Goodwood Racecourse on Friday 2nd July between 5.00pm and 9.00pm., includes a complimentary glass of wine, Or the invitation can be used for free weekend entry on the 3rd or 4th July.

Please do call into the office to collect an invitation if you would like one.

Yapton Free Church Holiday Club

Please see attached information from Hugo Van Dreil regarding the Yapton Free Church Holiday Club.

Yellow School Photographs

Don't forget :School Photograph Order Closing Date Tuesday 6th July



Please be advised if you have NOT yet placed your School Photograph order, the order closing date is Tuesday 6th July Please visit www.smileYellow.com using the passwords on the Proofcard

It is that time of year again for our hugely popular annual plant sale. We are lucky to have a beautiful selection of plants and flowers to make your pots and gardens look fabulous! We also have West Dean home grown tomato plants on offer this year! Please help yourselves to plants and pop a donation on schoolmoney.

Suggested donation: 50p a plant. Enjoy!



Diary Dates 2021/22

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**



2021/22 INSET Days

Thursday 2nd September & Friday 3rd September 2021

Schools re-opens for Year 1 to 6 on Monday 6th September (Reception Monday 13th September)

Monday 28th February 2022, Monday 6th June & Wednesday 6th July

- Sunday 4th July - 10.30-5.00 - Rotary Club Family Fun Day (details attached)**
- Tuesday 6th July - 1.15-2.00 - New Entrants' Visit (second group, selected pupils) - outside)**
- Wednesday 7th July - School Closed for INSET—in service training for staff**
- Friday 9th July, - 2.15-4.30—Community Café Unfortunately, this even has been cancelled.**
- Wednesday 14th July — Sports afternoon & rounders match**
- Friday 16th July, 9am—Leavers' Service at West Dean School (via Zoom to parents)**
- Monday 19th July— 5.30 - Governing Body Meeting**
- Wednesday 21st July — 5.30-7.00—West Dean Show & reception — Oakwood School tbc**
- Thursday 22nd July — 8.45—11.00—West Dean Show & reception — Oakwood School tbc**
- Friday 23rd July — 8.45—End of Term Assembly**

West Dean CE Primary School Aprons and Tea-towels

Our Year 6 children will be actively peddling our wares on the playground at the end of each day next week.

We have our lovely West Dean Tea-towels priced at £4 each, Adult aprons at £6.50 and children's aprons at £6.00.

We have a limited stock and there won't be another opportunity to purchase your 2021 keepsake.

Payment can be made on schoolmoney.co.uk and items will be made ready for collection or you can purchase items directly from the stall. The children will set up on pavilion decking, please do bear in mind social distancing and face coverings.

If you would like a preview, there are samples on display in the school noticeboard outside of our Reception.



Chestnut en Angleterre

Chestnut class had an amazing week of French themed activities last week, here are some of their memories:

Thinking of returning to your role as a healthcare professional? We can help you!

This message goes out to all parents, carers and members of the local community who may once have been a healthcare professional such as a nurse or midwife and now considering a return. Returning healthcare professionals have a key role to play in ensuring patients and service users have access to experienced and well-trained care staff equipped with the right skills. Health Education England (NHS) provide funding to support the pathways to return and are keen to support or answer any questions you may have if you are considering returning to perhaps nursing, midwifery or If you trained as an allied health professional (AHP) or a healthcare scientist (HCS) but have since left the profession.

Please do contact us for more information on: 01865 932097 or email returntopractice.se@hee.nhs.uk



*West Dean CE Primary School
Acorn Awards—Friday 2nd July 2021*

***Ned** - for your super reading at home and in school. This has really made a difference, well done!*

***Tilly** - for your collaborative work in Forest School. You showed good listening and were creative and imaginative. Well done!*

***Ollie** - for showing so much dedication and determination when learning the Joseph songs. You are a super singer!*

***Marina** - for always having a smile and being ready to help in the classroom*

***Daisy** - for your thoughtful use of art techniques in the farm patchwork. Your colours and detailing created a gorgeous piece of art*

***Raife** - for coping so well, changing and learning in a tricky week, and for remaining positive—well done*

***Ava** - for being a resilient and collaborative magazine editor*

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 our 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



Mexico in My Kitchen

BORED OF THE SAME OLD MEALS? SPICE THINGS UP WITH OUR VIBRANT, AUTHENTIC TACO KITS DELIVERED TO YOUR DOOR.

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