



# West Dean Church of England Primary School

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Newsletter 34 8<sup>th</sup> June 2018



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back. I hope that you have all enjoyed the half term break. We have had an exciting day at Southampton University this week with Chestnut and Beech class exploring Nono-technology: some of their reports feature below.

Swimming has started at West Dean with some of our swimmers in the pool for the very first time, which has been a great cause for celebration and excitement! For after school swimming sessions we would like to ask you to support us in keeping everyone safe when leaving the premises: we will email everyone separately about this as we need to keep gates and doors locked, but to allow swimmers to go home before 4pm if necessary.

Some of our children's artwork was submitted in a competition with the South of England show in Ardingly, which has been very well attended and even featured on national television on the weather forecast, although we didn't actually see the artwork! Throughout the week of the 18<sup>th</sup> June, we will have another selection of art work on display in Chichester University as part of the annual Chartres competition and exchange: there will be more information about this next week. You will be able to see all our art work on display in school as part of our end of year Gallery, which will run from Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> until Monday 16<sup>th</sup> July. We are already immersed in our whole school topic: 'Duende', which will give us the stimulus for much of this work and we are excited about sharing this with you all.



## PTA Fete News

Thank you to everyone who has returned their **raffle ticket** stubs: this is one of the main ways we raise money at fete time, and brings in money from outside our own community without emptying people's pockets of money on fete day! Please do try hard to sell all your **raffle tickets** - there are more available so please ask at the school office.

We thought, this year, that we would ask families to bring in specific items on a weekly basis leading up to the fete. This way we thought we might get more items in and that it would be clearer what was needed and when. As such, we are asking:

W/c 11<sup>th</sup> June - **Jam jar filled with goodies**

W/c 18<sup>th</sup> June - **items for the cafe. No nuts.**

**Bric a brac** can come in as and when.

We will be having an '**own clothes**' day on **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> June** and would like you to 'bring a bottle' for the fete.



We have also had lots of teddies in school this week in preparation for the fete stall - thank you all for these donations. Please do keep an eye out for PTA fete news: the sign-up sheets are in the playground so please do sign up and help out if you can, both in our preparations and on the day.

## *The week ahead.....*

**No After School Clubs This Week, Care Bears as Normal**

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> June:**

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> June:**

**Year3 & 4 Quad Kids Events at Bishop Luffa (selected children)**

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> June:**

**Chestnut Class visit to Parliament and British Museum, London**

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> June:**

**Maple Class - Little Big Sing at The March, 9.30-11.30**

**Beech Class Big Camp**

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June:**

**Beech Class Big Camp**

**Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> June: Chartres Art Competition - Awards Ceremony, 11.00 (selected children - Chichester University)**



## **Nano-technology Day at Southampton University**

### **Report by Esther Sutton - Year 5**

Nano what? I hear you ask. Before I went to Southampton University, Nanotech was as alien to me as it is to you.

I remember it best by my feeling of inspiration as I watched white-clothed scientists prepare for an experiment from the corridor of the 'clean room'.

As you may have guessed, the 'clean room' was incredibly clean, so pristine that they even had doormats that dirt on your shoes stuck to!

Nano is one billionth of a metre and is used to measure things that are invisible to the naked eye. As an example, DNA is 2 Nanos wide.

The trip has convinced me that being a Nano-expert is a creative and unique career, and one I might pursue myself.

### **Report by Alessandro Schmitt - Year 6**

At first we were wondering what is in those walls of Nanotechnology. It was the most obscure place we had ever been in; the walls of the corridor were covered in windows staring into the future of our planet. We stepped on sticky mats, stared at students devouring the thrill of Nanotechnology.

The most exciting fact was that the electricity bill for last year was £1,000,000. The cost of some of the equipment cost around £230,000. It really made me think about my job and what I want to be when I'm older. It was one of the best experiences ever.

### **Report by Harry Garfield - Year 5**

Nanotechnology is one of the greatest things every; do you know why? Because it is in everything from sport shoes to cleaning products.

KS2 went to Southampton University to learn about Nanotechnology. We went to the building which housed the 'clean room' that we went to look at from the corridor.

I enjoyed making the acrylic plate and also putting on the white suit and gloves.

The jobs that they are doing are very critical to quick internet.

Nanotechnology is a science I didn't know anything about, even though it was all around me.

### **Report by Hester Martin - Year 6**

Everyone was talking, suddenly the day began.

Nanotechnology is small technology and KS2 had the privilege to learn more.

The highlight for me was dressing up as if we were working with Nanotechnology and we also did some photolithography in that activity.

We also looked in the 'clean room'; we were very fortunate to go in there. We had to get rid of the dust on our shoes to keep it clean.

We experienced lots more pleasurable activities like a Nanotechnology quiz and looking at things under a microscope.

It was a brilliant day and we enjoyed it immensely.

Dear Parents and Friends

I'd like to extend my sincere thanks for the generous gifts given to me at the end of the last half term. I felt *very* touched. I am still carefully choosing what to spend the Sweaty Betty vouchers on!

It is with many mixed emotions that I move on from West Dean having had *so* many happy years here. But the time is right to explore pastures new. The future plan includes furthering my career in the field of child mental health, hopefully still working within the broad spectrum of education as well as being present for my family.

I very much look forward to seeing many of you out and about within the community.

With warmest wishes and deep gratitude,

Hannah Pleasance.

#### Car Parking:

A safety issue has been brought to our attention where children were in danger when being driven away from the school site. Please ensure that children have appropriate booster seats, where necessary, and that seatbelts are used at all times.

The disabled parking bay, adjacent to the fence at the edge of the playground, must be kept free for Blue Badge holders please and care taken not to block this space or park too closely either side. Whilst we appreciate that this is a challenge at times, especially for the drivers of bigger cars, please fill all parking spaces rather than parking near the disabled parking bay.

Thank you for your co-operation in ensuring the safety of all our car park users.

#### Save Our Swimming Pool:

Swimming has started at West Dean with some of our swimmers in the pool for the very first time, which has been a great cause for celebration and excitement! Thank you to those of you who have very kindly contributed the suggested £10 to help us with the cost of keeping the swimming pool up and running: just a reminder that this will allow you 'free' use of the pool during the times that it is open.

Please do make sure that you sign up on the rota if you are able to help with any of our swim sessions. This means that your children will have access, to safe, supervised fun swim sessions after school and in the holiday.

For parents who have opted out of the £10 'free swim' payment, a 'pay as you go' system will be in operation for other children wishing to use the pool. A charge will be made for each swim session of £2.50 and children will only be able to swim if payment is received; no IOU's will be permitted. We feel that this is a fair way of making sure that all of our children can have the best use of the pool.

Please make sure that your child has their swim kit (named) in school every day this half term, we will try to swim as much as possible, weather permitting.



Please see a separate email which will help us to keep everyone safe after school whilst allowing after school swimmers to leave the premises - this will be sent out later today or on Monday.

AAA Sports Coaching will be available on our Inset Day – Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:ben@aaacoaching.co.uk) 07788661316

#### West Dean's got Sparkle

Talent Show Auditions will be held at break time next week in the hall.

50p entry

Come along and audition for the chance to sparkle at the school fete.

Monday - Beech Class

Tuesday - Chestnut Class

Wednesday - Apple Class

Thursday - Maple Class

National Book Tokens is running a competition where there is £5000 worth of books to be won for a school library. Please see below the link to go onto the site and enter for West Dean:

Our school needs you!

Help us win £5,000 of National Book Tokens for the school library - and get £100 for yourself! Just enter the competition online, it only takes a minute: <http://po.st/schools18>



## *Acorn Awards*

*Friday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2018*

*Zebby - for his enthusiasm towards learning and all activities*

*Frankie V - for being super in the swimming pool*

*Mia - for trying really hard to plan and think about her sentences before writing them resulting in a great piece of writing*

*Sonny - for his writing about the Iron Man - challenging himself to extend and vary his sentences*

*Max - for his computer work - used paint to create detailed design using shapes*

*Ethan - for making good choices in tricky situations - keep it up ☺*

*Stan - for accuracy and resilience in our 'real life' community café accounting - some tricky maths!*

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

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> June - Quad Kids @ Bishop Luffa - selected Yr3/4

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> June - Chestnut class visit to the Houses of Parliament in London

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> June - Beech Class Big Camp

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June - Beech Class Big Camp

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> June - Goodwood Little Big Sing at The March School - Y2 pupils

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> June, 11.00 - Chartres Art Competition ceremony at Chichester University

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> June - Whole School and Class Photographs

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> June, 8.45am - Maple Class Assembly

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> June - Own Clothes Day - Bring a Bottle for the Fete

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June, 8.45 - Chichester Library Summer Reading Challenge Assembly

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June, 2.00 - Fete Set-up

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 1.15pm - Year 6 Leavers' Service at Chichester Cathedral

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 12-2pm - Summer Fete (set up from 8.00am)

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> June, 2.00-2.45 - New Entrants visit to Apple Class

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> June, 1.15-3.30 - Year 6 Rounders at Bishop Luffa (selected children)

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> June - Maple class visit to West Dean Church

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June 8.45am - Chestnut Class Assembly

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June, 1.00 - 4.00 - KS2 Softball Tournament in Oaklands Park (club children)

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> July, 9.15-14.30 - Yr 6, God and the Big Bang Science Day at Chichester Cathedral

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 8.45am - Beech Class Assembly

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July - GAS Sports afternoon at Boxgrove School (selected children)

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

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> July - AAA Coaching

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> July, 1.30-3.30 - Future Flyers at Westgate (selected children)

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July - Reserve date for GAS Sports afternoon at Boxgrove School (selected children)

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> July - GAS Cricket event (Selected children)

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> July - Chestnut Class visit to West Dean College

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> July, 1.15 - 3.30 - Yr 1 & 2 Multi-skills sports event at Bishop Luffa (selected children)

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> July, 8.45am - Apple Class Assembly

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> July, 1.00 - 4.00 - Gallery Afternoon (further information to follow)

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> July - Governing Body Meeting

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> June, 1.30-2.30 - Year 6 Leavers' Service in West Dean Church

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> July - Sports Afternoon, PTA BBQ, Year 6 Rounders, Ice Cream Van etc

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> July - Reserve date for Sports Afternoon, PTA BBQ, Year 6 Rounders, Ice Cream Van etc

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

**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

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup>, Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> and Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> July - **Inset Days**

**Autumn Term 2018:** Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September- Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September - Inset Day

**Half term:** Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October to Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October

**NB: 2019 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 19<sup>th</sup> 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. <b>Please make sure that you have booked for your required places through <a href="http://www.schoolmoney.co.uk">www.schoolmoney.co.uk</a>. 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.</b>
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 <a href="http://schoolmoney.co.uk">schoolmoney.co.uk</a> .
	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.  <a href="#">Please log-in to your account to make sure any outstanding balances are settled.</a>
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. <b>Late Collections</b> 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.
	<b>PTA News:</b> If you would like to get involved in the PTA in any way please to contact <a href="mailto:westdeanpta@outlook.com">westdeanpta@outlook.com</a> or contact the school office ( <a href="mailto:office@westdean.w-sussex.sch.uk">office@westdean.w-sussex.sch.uk</a> )



SATURDAY 23RD JUNE

12 - 2 PM

LIVE JAZZ  
"FORCE 8"

FACE  
PAINTING

BOUNCY  
CASTLES

FAMILY FUN!

RAFFLE

BBQ

PLANT  
STALL

LUCKY  
DIP

COCONUT  
SHY

BRIC-A-BRAC

COME AND TRY





## West Dean School Fête, Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2018, 12 -2pm

Yes, it's that time of year again!

With a month to go before our biggest fundraiser of the year we have enclosed details of the dates when it would be great if you are able to donate bric a brac, bring in something for the Tombola, bake a cake, help set up or take a turn on a stall!

We have also enclosed a poster for the Fête, please display your copy if you can, at work, in a window or your local shop.

We are all aware of the funding crisis facing our schools, now more than ever the money that events like the School Fête raise make a real difference to our children's school life.

In the past year our PTA funding has included; the swimming pool, transport for school trips, books, Christmas fun, leavers gifts and many other things.

As a small school we know that the pool of people to ask for donations is not big which is why we hope to encourage our wider community to buy a raffle ticket, come along to the Fête, have some fun and spend a little supporting our school.

This year there will be a live Jazz band, Force 8, playing and amazing raffle prizes including Flip Out, Wahacca and Zizzi vouchers, Goodwood tickets and much more.

If you are able to donate a prize to the Raffle or Silent Auction please let Nikki (Mabel and Tallulah's mum) know or drop off at the school office.

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As usual there will be plastic tubs and boxes up by the pavilion for any donations you are able to give as well as the Sign Up sheets!!

**4<sup>th</sup> June, First Week back after half term**, please bring in washed teddies and soft toys for the Teddy Tombola

**11<sup>th</sup> June, Second Week after half term**, please bring in a clean Jam Jar filled with wrapped sweets or other little items that your or the kids would love to win on the famous Sweetie Tombola

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> June, Non Uniform Day** in return please bring in a bottle for the Bottle Tombola.

In addition, we are ready to receive any good quality Bric a Brac, books, toys etc. anytime after half term.

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June, Set up from 2pm onwards**

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> June, Bring in Cakes (no nuts please) and Set up from 2pm onwards**

**Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> June, Any more cakes Cakes and Set up from 9am onwards, Tea, coffee and bacon rolls for helpers**

Thank you for all and any help you can give.

**WEST DEAN**

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every little helps!



| Day              | Adult Lead                 | Max | Club          | Cost    | Year Group   |
|------------------|----------------------------|-----|---------------|---------|--------------|
| <b>Monday</b>    | Mrs Prudence               | 14  | Think Tank    | £ 15.00 | Yr4,5,6      |
|                  | Mrs Crombie                | 14  | French        | £ 30.00 | Yr3,4,5,6    |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | Miss Hall                  | 14  | Gym           | £ 15.00 | Yr 2,3,4     |
|                  | Mrs Moss                   | 10  | Art           | £ 15.00 | Yr 4,5,6     |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | AAA Coaching               | 14  | Change4Life   | £ 14.00 | Yr 2,3,4,5,6 |
|                  | Mrs Muggeridge/Miss Boxall | 10  | Cookery       | £ 14.00 | Yr3, 4, 5, 6 |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | David Morris               | 14  | Baseball      | £ 17.50 | Yr 3,4,5,6   |
|                  | Mrs Wilson                 | 14  | Spanish       | £ 15.00 | yr 3,4, 5, 6 |
| <b>Friday</b>    | AAA Coaching               | 35  | Summer Sports | £ 17.50 | 1,2,3,4,5,6  |
|                  | Miss Urquhart              |     | Strings x4    | £ 25.00 | musicians    |

Club Dates:

W/C 4th, , 18th and 25th June and 2nd, 9th July.

**There will be no clubs W/C 11th June**

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 and

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.**

**AAA Coaching will be available the Inset day and for the first week of the summer holiday; week commencing 23rd July, please make sure that you book your place in advance.**

**To book a place please contact Ben Johson [ben@aaacoaching.co.uk](mailto:ben@aaacoaching.co.uk)**

**Inset day - Wednesday 4th July**

**There will be no clubs on Wednesday 4th July.**





# INSET DAY MULTI-SPORTS CAMP



**9am - 4pm**  
(7 hours of sport)



**£16**

**School Years: R to 8**



**Wednesday July 4th**

**@ West Dean Primary School**

Football - Hockey - Bowling - Dodgeball - Curling - Table Tennis - Baseball - Mini Olympics - Cricket  
Archery - Netball - Tag Rugby - Parachute Games - Volleyball - Basketball - Fitness Games - Tennis  
Trampoline Tennis - Badminton - Tag Games - Team Games - Relay Races - Mini Golf - Obstacle Courses

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



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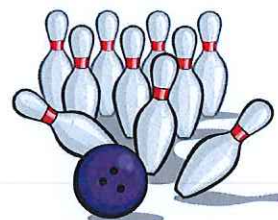
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# Summer Holidays **MULTI-SPORTS CAMPS**



**9am - 4pm**  
(7 hours of sport)



Daily Rates:

**£16 - 1-4 Days**

**£15 - per day if doing  
all 5 days**

**School Years: R to 8**



**Monday 23rd July - Friday 27th July**

**@ West Dean Primary School**

Football - Hockey - Bowling - Dodgeball - Curling - Table Tennis - Baseball - Mini Olympics - Cricket  
Archery - Netball - Tag Rugby - Parachute Games - Volleyball - Basketball - Fitness Games - Tennis  
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LITTLE LEAGUE



# Baseball

*is coming to  
Chichester!*

Boys and girls aged 7 to 11 years old

All equipment and coaching is provided

Players of any ability are welcome

Parents are encouraged to join in & help with coaching & games

SUMMER ★ 2018

OAKLANDS PARK  
SOFTBALL FIELD  
CHICHESTER



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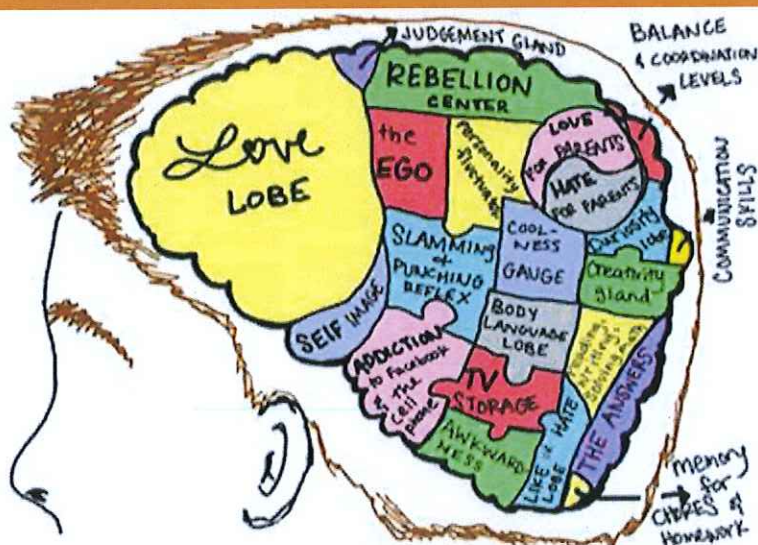




# Triple P: Positive Parenting Programme

A free support programme to help make parenting easier  
For parents and carers  
of primary age and teenage children

**THE  
AVERAGE  
TEENAGE  
BRAIN**



Parenting Programme

Four weekly sessions starting on  
Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018  
10 am to 12 noon,



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For more information or to book a place, telephone  
01243 608 943

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