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Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back after the Easter break—the children seem to have returned healthy and refreshed, ready for another term.

This half term will be over in the blink of an eye, as we have already come to the end of the first of only five weeks! We have another Bank Holiday, and therefore another four day week, and polling day next Thursday (and possibly on Thursday 23rd May too), which disrupts us internally but should not disrupt any other arrangements for children or families. SATs week is 13th–16th May, when we will carry out assessments for most of our children, but especially the Y6 children where we have a formal national assessment timetable.

Today, we have talked about 'Carpe Diem' and 'Tempus Fugit' - seize the day because time flies! We are making the most of every minute in school so that we learn as much as we can, as well as we can. We are valuing our friends, our learning opportunities, our families and everything on God's earth.

Also during this half term, we have sporting events, our Community Café, and we have interviews for our teaching vacancy.

Today has been a great day for our teaching staff as Mrs Prudence and Mrs Johnson have had a training day to support our teaching of STEM subjects (Science, technology and mathematics) - four of Chestnut Class were roped in to help and we are excited to be developing this area.

We are already working on our plans for our collaborative project for the second half of term—all things related to WATER gives us so many learning opportunities and we are looking forward to sharing the results of the children's (and staff's) creativity with you on Wednesday 10th July.

Information will soon be coming out about our fete , and you should be receiving the class information letters over the next couple of days so that you are aware of the learning and how you can support at home. Do let us know if you, or any other friends or family members would like to help in school.

The week ahead..... April / May 2019

Monday 29th:

Tuesday 30th : Yr 3/4 Cricket at Goodwood

Wednesday 1st:

Thursday 2nd:

Friday 3rd : Yr 3/4 Quadkids SSP event

Class Assembly Dates—Summer Term

Apple Class - Thursday 23rd May

Maple Class - Thursday 6th June

Beech Class - Tuesday 11th June

Easter Eggstravaganzer

Thank you to everyone who Supported us with our Tombola, Raffle and Readathon; for donating eggs and buying tickets and reading lots. Our School Parliament have raised an amazing **£389.00:**

£80 from the Tombola , £185 from the raffle.and £124.00 from Readathon

This money will be held by the 'Treasurer' ready for parliament departments to bid for the funding for things that they would like.



Environment Day and Forest School Plans

Please do come and join in with our environment day on Thursday 23rd May, straight after Apple Class assembly.

We will have a list of jobs to do in the environmental area and our grounds so any time , skills and expertise that you are able to give would be very much appreciated.

Please do let us know if you are available and willing to help us out.

We also have plans for Forest School activities over the coming terms, and will have 'jobs' to do in preparation for this, both on 23rd May, and leading up to/ following this. We would really appreciate some help and expertise too!



School Parliament News: Finance & Fundraising

Our 'penny' jar is still in the reception area and we have currently collected £12.65 in small change. Please do keep looking in your pockets for any loose change that you can help to keep our jar full—thank you for your support.

Don't forget to join The Giving Machine Community Fund and select West Dean as your chosen cause when shopping on-line.

John Lewis - Community Matters Scheme.

We have been very lucky to secure a 'tube' in the John Lewis store in Chichester as part of their 'Community Matters' Scheme. This Scheme allows for 3 good causes to have a tube in the store and each time you spend a certain amount of money you are given a green counter to place in the tube of your choice. At the end of the 3 month period each cause has a share of the £3000 dependant upon how many counters they have. If you do happen to be shopping in John Lewis between February and April and you are offered a green counter, please do place it in our West Dean tube and tell your family and friends too. This is part of our ongoing fundraising by the School Parliament Finance department.; thank you to Ashton and Rafi

Goodwood Racecourse—tickets

We have 4 tickets for the Family Race Day on Sunday 9th June for the Gordon and Lennox Enclosure worth £15 each, children are admitted free to this event.

If anyone would like to make a donation to school for



This week has seen the start of some brand new clubs; K'Nex, Girl's Football, Judo and Yoga.

They have been very well attended and the children have really enjoyed taking part in these new activities. There are still some places available so do let us know if you would like to join in.

Watch out for news of our new 'Forest School' after school club coming up after half term.

AAA Coaching Dates Available:

Wednesday 3rd July 2019 (Inset)

Monday 22nd—Friday 26th July 2019 (Summer)

Please contact ben@aaacoaching.co.uk for further details and to book places. Please could we ask that places are booked and paid for in advance of the day to enable Ben to plan for appropriate staff cover. We would like to avoid children turning up on the day expecting a place to be available.

News from our PTA:

It's been a quiet but fun term so far for the PTA! In our last meeting we discussed how we could use some of the funds raised by parents. Proposals include Forest School Sessions, Singing/ Choir sessions and repairing our PTA shed, tbc soon. We really welcome ideas from everyone for both fundraising and using our funds!

If you can spare any time, even an hour a term, we would love to hear from you! We are always happy to have younger children along to events and meet ups where possible, and we love to include as many ideas from as parents as possible.

Our next project is the Summer Fete! It's always an amazing day, and a lot of hard work goes into making it happen. If you can spare any time or skills, no matter how small, it would be wonderful to keep our Fete the event of the year! Please come and say hello to any of us, or drop us an email at office@westdean.w-sussex.sch.uk

Ricky and Emma (joint secretary)

Diary Dates 2019

Summer Term 2019: Tuesday 23rd April - Friday 19th July

Half Term - Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May

2018/19 **INSET** days



Wednesday 3rd July 2019, Monday 22nd July 2019, Tuesday 23rd July 2019

Tuesday 30th April 1.30-3.30—Sports Partnership Cricket Event at Goodwood (selected Yr 3 & 4)

Friday 3rd May, 1.30-3.30 - Sports Partnership Quadkids event, selected Yr 3 & 4

Monday 6th May - School Closed—Bank Holiday

Tuesday 7th May, 1.30-3.30 - Future Flyers at Westgate (selected pupils)

Thursday 9th May, 1.30-3.30—Sports partnership Tri-Golf at Chichester Golf Club Yr 3/4 - selected

Friday 10th May - World Athletics Championship Event at Oakwood

Friday 17th May, 1.30-3.30 - Sports Partnership event, Quadkids Athletics (selected year 5/6)

Thursday 23rd May, 8.45 - Apple Class Assembly

Friday 24th May, 2.30-4.30 - Community Café

Tuesday 4th June - Year 4 Maths event at Oakwood

Tuesday 4th June, 1.30-3.30 - Future Flyers at Westgate (selected pupils)

Thursday 6th June, 8.45 - Maple Class Assembly

Friday 7th June - Sports Partnership—Girl's Football Tournament

Tuesday 11th June, 8.45 - Beech Class Assembly

Monday 17th June - Yellow School Photographs

Thursday 20th June, 8.45 - Chestnut Class Assembly

Monday 24th June—Friday 28th June - Year 6 Bikeability

Saturday 29th June—School Fete

Monday 1st July, 1.15 - Year 6 Leaver Service at Chichester Cathedral

Wednesday 3rd July—INSET Day

Tuesday 9th July, 1.30-3.30 - Future Flyers at Westgate (selected pupils)

Wednesday 10th July, matinee and evening - WATER Show—tickets only

Wednesday 17th July, 1.00 onwards - Sports afternoon, PTA BBQ and Y6 rounders game V staff

Friday 19th July - Last Day of the school year—end of year assembly 8:45—all welcome

Acorn Awards
Friday 26th April 2019

Ollie - for being a brilliant listener and having a positive approach towards his learning

Leo - for always contributing towards class discussions which helps the other children to learn

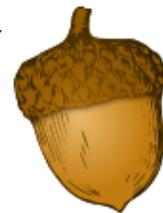
Amelia - for working carefully to make corrections in maths and spotting her own mistakes

Mabel - for doing her best and persevering when she is working on her own and with grown ups too

Mia MW - for super inference skills when making predictions about a story

Ava AV - for showing that she can make links to find missing angles in maths

Ethan - for a focussed and engaged start to the term, listening well and showing engagement through enthusiasm to answer and take part in class



West Dean CE Primary School - Club Hub

After School Clubs Summer 1

Summer Term 2019

First half of summer term

x5 weeks

Day	Adult Lead	Max	Club	Cost	Year Group
Monday					
Tuesday	Miss Hall	14	Girls Football	£ 25.00	Yr 3,4,5,6
	Mrs Prudence	9	K'NEX	£ 25.00	Yr 3,4,5
Wednesday	Matt Horstead	10	Football x3	£ 15.00	Yr 3,4,5,6
	Mrs Muggeridge/Miss Boxall	10	Cookery	£ 25.00	Yr3, 4, 5,
Thursday	Mr Pring	18	Judo	£ 25.00	Yr 3,4,5,6
Friday	AAA Coaching	35	Summer Sports	£ 25.00	1,2,3,4,5,
	Mrs Plackett	10	Yoga	£ 25.00	Yr 1 & 2

Club Dates:

W/C 22nd, 29th April, 6th, 13th and 20th May x 5 weeks

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

For all clubs and care bears, you can make your bookings on-line at 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: Football club will only run for 3 weeks this term:

24th April, 1st and 8th May. No Football club 15th or 22nd May

[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.



Current Useful Information and Reminders:

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.

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.

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)

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.