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Dear Parents and Carers

We have had another successful week here in school, with Apple Class's visit to Goodwood farm where they loved learning about the young animals all around us at Spring time: they even made and tasted their own butter and tasted milk straight from the cow. Chestnut Class assembly was extremely well attended—and we were treated to another edition of 'Chestnut in the Wild'. They told us all about their exciting week in France and impressed us with their learning.

In the sporting arena; Beech Class took part in Sports Hall Athletics with several other schools and were commended for their sporting skills as well as their good behaviour and willingness to join in; several of our children are taking part in the Corporate Challenge and are showing real talent and determination with their running; our Quicksticks hockey team were awarded certificates for the best sporting behaviour and performed really well too and our swimmers continue to train hard for the upcoming galas (tomorrow and on Wednesday).

Please sign up for parents' evenings and be ready to book cubs for next term.

The week ahead..... March 2019

No Clubs this Week - Parent Consultation Evenings and Book Fair

Monday 25th: Beech Class visit to The Novium, 9.00-2.30 (drop and collect in Chichester please)

Tuesday 26th: Parent Consultation Evening, 3.10—5.00

Wednesday 27th: Sports Partnership Arun Swim Gala (selected children), 1.00—3.30

3.00— Book Fair in the hall

6.30—Corporate Challenge in Chichester

Thursday 28th: Westgate Swimming Beech & Chestnut

Class

Sports partnership County Cross Country—Holly Wilburn and Ashton Horstead

Parent Consultation Evening, 3.10—6.00 + Book Fair

Friday 29th: Gillian Keegan visit to West Dean in the afternoon

Goodwood Area Schools-STEM Challenge

West Dean hosted the GAS STEM challenge this week.

Children from year groups 3 & 4 worked together, led by Mrs Prudence, using K'NEX resources to design and build gravity powered cars. The challenge was to see which car covered the greatest distance when pushed down a ramp. The children had an exciting afternoon with lots of learning and fun. Mrs Prudence will be running a K'NEX after school club in the summer term—look out for further details.

Comic Relief

Thank you for your support with donations for 'own clothes' on Friday for Red Nose Day.

We raised £109.60 for Comic Relief.

Apple Class Plea: We desperately need some spare socks and tights to keep in Apple Class please—if you have any that you could spare for us, please do bring them in.

After School Clubs

We are in the process of putting together our timetable for after school clubs during the summer term and have a wide range of exciting opportunities lined up for the children.

Could we just remind you that if you sign your child up for a 5 week block of clubs you are making a commitment to attend all of the sessions. If there are exceptional circumstances when your child is unable to attend could we please ask that you let us know. A great deal of time goes into preparing the timetable and ensuring that there are plenty of opportunities for a wide age range and in preparation for the actual clubs themselves and the purchase of resources.

Missing Football Kit

We are still missing a West Dean Football Team Kit—this was taken home after one of our sports partnership events and not returned. If you have a size 10 football kit, please could you return it to school.

We are also missing some black goal keeper socks—if you have these at home, please could you return them to school.

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

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.

Find out more at www.thegivingmaching.co.uk



Apple Class had a super visit to Goodwood Farm this week. They were able to spend time visiting the dairy to see the cows and calves and make some butter. They

walked across the field and over the stile to see the sheep and lambs, all very exciting!

The weather was kind and they had a really good morning with the team at Goodwood Farm. Thank you to our parents for supporting with the visit and transport.



Easter Eggstravaganzer - please bring in your Easter Eggs (large or small, all donations gratefully accepted)

Next week we will be collecting in your donations of Easter Eggs in preparation for our Eggstravaganzer raffle and tombola taking place the following week.

The tombola will be held in the pavilion at 3.00 on Monday 1st and Tuesday 2nd April, tickets will be £1 each go.

The raffle will take place on Thursday 4th April at 2.30pm—tickets are available to buy on schoolmoney.co.uk as a shop item priced at £1 per ticket, you can add as many tickets as you like to your basket.

Thank you for supporting this School Parliament event and good luck..



AAA Coaching Dates Available:

AAA Coaching will not be running during the Easter Holidays.

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.

Thank you to those of you who were able to join us for **Chestnut Class Assembly** this week. The children were very enthusiastic about their all their learning but particularly their recent visit to France.

Class Assembly Dates—Summer Term

Apple Class - Thursday 23rd May

Maple Class - Thursday 6th June

Beech Class - Tuesday 11th June

Chestnut Class - Thursday 20th June

Diary Dates 2019

Spring Term 2019: Thursday 3rd January - Friday 5th April

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



Saturday 23rd March—Cormorants Swimming Gala (details to follow)

Monday 25th March - Beech Class visit to Novium in Chichester (drop and collect in Chichester please)

Tuesday 26th March , 3.10—5.00 - Parent Consultation Evening & Scholastic Book Fair

Wednesday 27th March, 12.00-4.00 - SSP Arun Swimming Gala

Thursday 28th March, 3.15—6.00—Parent Consultation Evening & Scholastic Book Fayre

Wednesday 27th March, 6.30 - Corporate Challenge in Chichester

Thursday 28th March, 9.30-11.30 - Westgate Swimming for Beech and Chestnut

Thursday 28th March, 3.10-6.00 - Parent Consultation Evening & Scholastic Book Fair

Week Commencing 1st April - Easter Egg Eggstravaganzer - please bring in your donations of Easter Eggs and Tombola prizes to school

Monday 1st Arpil, 3.00 - Easter Eggstravaganzer Tombola in the pavilion

Tuesday 2nd April, 3.00 - Easter Eggstravaganzer Tombola in the pavilion

Wednesday 3rd April, 1.15-2.45 - Rainbow Theatre Company in School, The Easter Story

Thursday 4th April, 9.30-11.30 - Last Westgate Swimming for Beech and Chestnut

Thursday 4th April, 2.30 - Easter Egg Raffle

Friday 5th April, 9.55—Michael Pring Judo introduction in assembly

Friday 5th April, 1.30-3.30 - Sports Partnership Quad Kids Event at Bishop Luffa

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

Friday 10th May - World Athletics Championship Event at Oakwood

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)

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

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

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

Acorn Awards Fríday 22nd March 2019

Sebastian - for being a superstar reader and reading regularly every day

Harry - for being amazing in his learning and having the most enthusiastic approach to everything

Frankie 0 - for a positive attitude towards her learning and having pride in her work

Wilf - for some super descriptive writing following on from the eruptions of our volcanoes, making excellent vocabulary choices to create sentences full of emotion

Josh - for working hard to understand how to add and subtract fractions

Ava - for having a 'can do' attitude and trying her best especially in maths and English

Harry - for successfully showing reasoning in maths with a clear explanation and example

West Dean CE Primary School - Club Hub

After School Clubs Spring Term 2019 Spring 2 second half of spring term

x4 weeks

Day	Adult Lead	Max	Club	Cost	Year Group
Monday	Mrs G Moss	10	Art	£ 20.00	Yr 1,2,3,4
Tuesday	Mrs Goacher/Mrs Johnson	20	Swim WBH	£ 20.00	Yr 3,4,5,6,
Wednesday	Matt Horstead	10	Football	£ 15.00	Yr 3,4,5,6
	Mrs Muggeridge/Miss Boxall		Cookery		Yr3, 4, 5, 6
Thursday	Miss Hall	14	Dance	£ 20.00	Yr 3,4,5,6
	Mrs Pearmaine		Lego		Yr 3,4,5,6
Friday	AAA Coaching	25	Sports	£ 20.00	1,2,3,4,5,6
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Club Dates:

W/C , 25th Feb, 11th March and 18th March and 1st April

No Clubs W/C 4th March as this is Chestnut class French Residential .

No Clubs W/C 25th March as this is Parents' Evening week.

No Football Club on Wednesday 13th March

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 our swimming club which 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. 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 on Friday 15th February, which is an Inset day. During the Easter Holiday: Monday 15th - Thursday 18th April.

To book a place please contact Ben Johson ben@aaacoaching.co.uk

Exciting news: Judo

For the summer term club schedule we will be introducing a new Judo club on Thursday run by Mr Michael Pring. Mr Pring teaches Judo in a number of West Sussex and Hampshire schools currently and previously taught here at West Dean. Children taking part in the club will also have the opportunity to take part in Michael's external community Judo club if they wish to further enhance their expertise.

Look out for further information and details nearer to the summer term. Mr Pring will be coming into school on Friday 5th April to introduce himself to the children and do a little introductory session.

Yoga at West Dean:

We will be introducing our new Yoga club in the Summer term for children in Year 1 and 2. Mrs Plackett will be running this on Friday afternoons—look out for further details shortly.

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.