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Headteacher: Mrs G. Moss Newsletter 18 24th May 2019



Dear Parents and Carers

Environment Day and Forest School Plans

Thank you to everyone who came and joined in with our environment day on Thursday.

Wow! What an amazing day and we would like to send out huge thanks to all those who came to help. (- special thanks to those that stayed all day.) We had weeding, pruning and digging. The children who helped were able to get a huge amount out of the day - showing great teamwork, collaboration and determination as they dug our stubborn weeds and shifted dead leaves into wheel barrows nearly as big as themselves! Some were even lucky enough to spot a huge slow worm! We hope you all agree that our gardens and grounds

We hope you all agree that our gardens and grounds are now on their way to looking their best again and this wouldn't have been possible without a big team effort!

Thank you again

Mrs Johnson and the Environment department!

We also held our grand pool opening for the season too, where your 'sponsor a coping stone' plaques were 'unveiled'. (Do contact the office if you would like to contribute and have a plaque) The pool is looking super again now and will be in use straight after the holiday; we are keeping our fingers crossed for lots of sunshine. Please do make sure that children have their swimming kits, named please, in school everyday ready for them to swim.

There are still some spaces on our rota for first aiders and supervisors for our after school swim sessions. Please do sign up if you are able to help; we can only open the pool after school if we have a named first aider and supervisor.

Following on from our Environment Day we will be having a 'Planting' Day on **Wednesday 3rd July**. Hopefully there will be some plants left from our Fete and we can use these to make our grounds look beautiful with your help. If you are able to give up any time on the Wednesday, with your children, (this is our Inset Day), then please do come along and join in.

The week ahead..... June 2019

Clubs begin this week

Pool open

Monday:

Clubs: Art , STEM, Girl's Football

Tuesday: STEM at Bourne Yr5, Future Flyers, Maths

event at Ditcham Park

Clubs: Softball, Gymnastics Wednesday: Clubs: Cookery

Thursday: 8.45 Maple Class Assembly

Clubs: Judo, Lego, Cricket

Friday: Girls Football at The Regis

Clubs: AAA Coaching, Yoga

Lions Swimathon Information

THANK YOU! AMAZING TEAM EFFORT!

On Saturday 18th May, a team of children and parents took part in a sponsored swim organised by the group of parents and Chichester Lions Club. They swam in teams of 4 or 5 for 55 minutes. They swam almost 600 lengths in total and all the money raised will go towards the upkeep of the swimming pool.

Headlice

Several children in school have had head lice recently. Please could you check your child's hair thoroughly.

If you have to treat your child's hair please be aware that this needs to be repeated regularly over the next month to ensure that all live lice and eggs are treated and removed.

Please be vigilant over the next few days and over the weekend. Thank you.

Staffing:

I am delighted to announce that Mrs Totman, an experienced teacher and SENCO, will join our team in September, to teach with Mrs Johnson in Beech Class and to support with our SEND provision. She will be in school over the coming weeks, to get to know us all!

I do hope that your child enjoyed the violin including the brilliant student performances ments. If you are interested in your child reany queries regarding lessons, please contact

and viola assembly today (Tuesday 14th May), and the introduction to the different instruceiving lessons on the violin or viola, or have me via email:

<u>alex.urquhart@westsussexmusic.co.uk</u>. Alternatively, if you would like to secure your child's place for weekly lessons, please visit <u>www.westsussexmusic.co.uk</u>, go to 'Making Music' and then click 'Apply for Lessons' or follow this link: https://www.westsussexmusic.co.uk/page.cfm?title=music-lessons-at-school.

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After half term we would like to ask that every child in KS2 (Years 3,4,5,6) brings in their own water bottle please, for their use in school.

We would like to request that this is, if possible, a metal water bottle which will be brought into school every day for your child's use throughout the day. Apple class and Maple class will continue to use their class cups. We will no longer be selling plastic water bottles in school.

Thank you for your support with this.

National Book Tokens: please follow the link below to nominate our school to win £5,000 of National Book Tokens for our School Library:

https://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools?utm_source=nbt&utm_medium=email&utm_content=schools-prize&utm_campaiqn=20190508_schoolsprize19

Swimming Lessons

Summer is fast approaching!!! And we at Everyone Active Westgate know the importance to you as a parent/guardian that your child/ren are able to know the basics of swimming and the dangers surrounding this. With this in mind we have spaces at present in our swimming lessons to ensure that you can enjoy the holidays and know that your child/ren are learning and developing their skills and be safe around the water.

Our swimming lessons are

- · GREAT FUN
- · Taught by qualified and engaging instructors
- FREE SWIMMING FOR ALL CHILDREN ON LESSONS
- · Simple Direct Debit payments
- Online viewing portal (AQUA PASSPORT) to track your child's/children's progress
- Continual progression (once one level complete move up to the next)
- Get badges at the end of stages (please these are included in monthly price)
- · 30 min lessons once a week
- Join on lessons before the end of MAY 2019 and receive x5 family swims (2 adults and up to 3 children) worth £88.50!!

For more information contact the team on 01243 785651 and choose option 1 or email kirstywhite-

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 these tickets please do come in and ask at the office.

Governors Update

This term the Governors have been disseminating the points raised in the Ofsted report and are working towards refining our school visits to make sure we get the most out of the time spent in school.

Governors have also attended celebration assemblies and out of school activities. Many of our Governors also volunteer in the school which helps to bring greater insight to their role.

It is always wonderful to see what the children have been learning about and the progress they are making and we'd like to thank all the staff and children for always making us feel very welcome when we come into school.

In the next half term we will look forward to spending the Inset day with school staff, this day is always very informative and will give the Governors an opportunity to assess the progress of the children and work on the school development plan alongside staff members.

The Governors look forward to attending the many exciting events coming up in the next half term and thank those involved for their all their hard work.

For more information, please visit our Governors page on the school. Website.

If you want to contact the governors in confidence to raise any issue, then please contact us.

Rev Kev will sadly be leaving the parish to take up a new post in Bexhill. His last Sunday service will be in West Dean Church on Sunday 23rd June, 10.00-11.00. There will also be a farewell party at The Rectory during the afternoon of the 23rd, from 1.00 onwards. Following this, there will be a period of 'interregnum'

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

Friday 24th May, 2.30-4.30 - Community Café

Tuesday 4th June, 2.00-4.00 - Year 4 Maths event at Oakwood

Tuesday 4th June, 9.30-2.45 - STEM at Bourne Leisure Centre (selected pupils)

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

Wednesday 12th June—Apple Class Visit to West Dean Church

Monday 17th June - Yellow School Photographs

Thursday 20th June, 8.45 - Chestnut Class Assembly

Friday 21st June—non uniform day— bring in prizes for Tombola

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

Saturday 29th June, 2-4pm-School Fete

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

Wednesday 3rd July—INSET Day AAA Coaching Planting Day

Thursday 4th July - Festival of Speed at Goodwood (selected pupils)

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

Wednesday 10th July, matinee, 1 and evening, - WATER Show—tickets only

Monday 15th July—GAS Sports at Boxgrove

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

Thursday 18th July—Leavers Service at West Dean Church

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

Class Assembly Dates—Summer Term

Maple Class - Thursday 6th June

Beech Class - Tuesday 11th June

Chestnut Class—Thursday 20th June

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Acorn Awards Fríday 24th May 2019

Katie - for playing so nicely with the other children in Apple class

Zebby - for his care and attention in all his work

Bonnie - for always looking to help others and for consistently being a positive, polite presence in our class

Isaac - for amazing work during grounds day yesterday, for being a fantastic team player and getting stuck in

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Mason - for making sure that he completes homework at home and on time

Rafi - for ensuring that he reads regularly at home; reading is the key to success

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After School Clubs Summer 2

Summer Term 2019 Secondhalf of summer term x5 weeks

Day	Adult Lead	Max	Club	Cost	Year Group
Monday	Mrs G Moss	10	Art	£ 25.00	Yr 3,4,5,6
	Mrs K Prudence	8	STEM	£ 25.00	Yr 1,2,3
	Miss K Hall	14	Girl's Football	£ 25.00	Yr 3,4,5,6
Tuesday	Chichester Falcons	20	Softball	£ 25.00	Yr 4,5,6,
	Miss Hall	14	Gymnastics	£ 25.00	Yr 1, 2
Wednesday	Mrs Muggeridge/Miss Boxall	10	Cookery	£ 25.00	Yr3, 4, 5, 6
Thursday	Mr Pring	18	Judo	£ 25.00	Yr 3,4,5,6
	Mrs Pearmaine	12	Lego	£ 25.00	Yr 3,4,5,6
	Mr Kevin Foster	16	Cricket	£ 25.00	Yr 1 & 2
Friday	AAA Coaching	35	Sports	£ 25.00	1,2,3,4,5, 6
	Mrs Plackett		Yoga	£ 25.00	Yr 1 & 2

Club Dates:

W/C 3rd, 10th, 17th 24th June and 8th July,

No Clubs W/C 1st or 15th July

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. No Clubs W/C 1st or 15th July

Care Bears After School Provision - this will run every day

Please make sure that you have booked for your required places www.schoolmoney.co.uk. Please make sure that you let us know, if are collecting your child at 3.00, we are then able to release your Care Bears place to another child.

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AAA Coaching Dates Available:

Wednesday 3rd July 2019 (Inset)

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

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.