



West Dean Church of England Primary School

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We do our best in all we do, with God's love.

'Love one another. As I have loved you, so must you love one another.' John 13

Newsletter 35 20.06.25 Our overall attendance for the year is at **96.4%** this week.

Don't forget, Rev Sarah's 'Rector's Rambling' available by [CLICKING HERE](#) Always an interesting and inspiring read.

Swimming

The children have been able to make good use of our swimming pool this week, both during and after school. We are able to extend our after school swim time to 4.30pm, this will be £5 per child per session.

Thank you to Abbie and her team for arranging the First Aiders and supervisors for these sessions.

Please could we just remind you that booking is essential for these sessions. We cannot have more than 12 children in the pool. We kindly request that parents must accompany their own children and supervise them during these sessions. For safety, children are not permitted outside of the pool area during this time.

Both playground gates will be locked, so please alert a member of school staff when you are ready to leave. Thank you for your co-operation to ensure that everyone enjoys the pool safely.



Foodbank Friday—20.06.25

Thank you for your support with our Foodbank Friday today and for all your generous donations, they all make a huge difference. For further information about the work of the Foodbank visit <https://chichesterdistrict.foodbank.org.uk/>

Goodwood Festival of Speed—Thursday 10th and Friday 11th July. We have our Breakfast Bears available from 8.00 if you would like to avoid the traffic and bring your children in early.

Please do ensure that you book in on schoolmoney, £4 from 8.00-8.30 to include breakfast.

**Well done to...
this week's
highest scoring
house.**



Coming soon... Last week we promised a more full report of the epic Year 4 Camp and Beech adventure day. The Beech Class children have nearly finished writing their recounts, so we promise to feature these next week!

Thank you to all who helped to make our PTA Pop-up Plant Sale a success this afternoon, and to all of you who came and supported by buying a splash of colour for your garden. There are still more plants available next week, for which donations can be made on SchoolMoney. So far we have raised an incredible £270.



A visit from Perform



We were very pleased to receive a visit from [Perform](#) on Tuesday 17th June.

The children had a wonderful time exploring the theme of [Jungle Rumble](#) and using drama, dance and singing to help develop their confidence, concentration and social skills.

To complement the workshop, there is a free educational app for iPhones and iPads based around the theme of *Jungle Rumble*. It contains fun games, creative tasks and videos of the themed songs and dances. Click [here](#) to download it free or [here](#) to find out more about the *Jungle Rumble* theme.

Perform run regular weekly classes in the local area and they are offering a **special introductory discount** to all parents of West Dean CofE Primary School if they come along for a free trial session before Wednesday 1st October.

To claim your discount, just call Perform on 020 7255 9120 quoting **WSWG011025** or book a Free Trial Session online at perform.org.uk/try.

St Michael's Church Hall
Summersdale Road, PO19 6PN

PLANT SALE

THANK YOU!



Management Information System (MIS) - Arbor

Since becoming an Academy under the Bishop Luffa Learning Partnership some of our system have changed.

We will shortly be introducing Arbor to our school community ready for action in September.

Arbor is our new management information system which holds all of our staff, student, guardian data etc. We will also be using this for our communications to families, in place of our current e-Schools and this will be our booking and payment platform for trips, clubs etc in place of school money.

For ease of use there is a parent 'App' Watch this space for further details and your welcome message to follow shortly.

We would kindly ask that you please make sure school money accounts are cleared by the end of the summer term.



West Dean Friends News:

You will have received information earlier this week about our plans to re-imagine our current PTA to West Dean 'Friends'. We will be meeting on **Wednesday 25th June at 8.30am** in the pavilion to elect trustees & year group representatives, officially agree the resolutions to change the name of the charity and discuss plans for exciting up and coming events. Please do come along and join in the fun with us.

Our end of term summer disco is now available to book on schoolmoney.co.uk. The ticket price of £6 is for entry to the disco. A drink and a snack during the evening. **Save the Date** - Thursday 16th July, 5.00-6.30 for Year R, 1 and 2, 5.30-7.00 for Years 3,4,5 and 6.

Support Staff Vacancies at Bishop Luffa School



Bishop Luffa School
A Church of England School

Dear parents and carers,

Bishop Luffa School, part of the Bishop Luffa Learning Partnership, are currently advertising the following Support Staff roles:

- Teaching Assistant
 - Pastoral Support Assistant
- Science Technician

If you are interested, or you know someone who might be interested in any of these roles, more detailed information and an application form can be found on the Bishop Luffa School website <https://www.bishopluffa.org.uk/home/vacancies/>



- Yr R **Wilf** - for your joy in reading and talking about the books
- Yr 1 **Margot** - for showing perseverance and resilience in all your learning. Well done!
- Yr 2 **Jack** - for the constant positive energy and determination you bring to the classroom. You are a joy to teach, well done!
- Yr 3 **Keanu** - for your enthusiasm whenever we sing in Beech class. You always give it your all!
- Yr 4 **Nella** - for pushing yourself out of your comfort zone at Big Camp. We are so proud of you.
- Yr 5 **Henrietta** - this isn't just for your amazing dancing and singing but in helping lead groups of singers and making sure Mrs Johnson knows where you are and what you are meant to be doing—thank you!
- Yr 6 **Henry** - for your support and help on Sports Day; checking in several times with adults to see if you could help in anyway.



2024/25 INSET Days

Monday 21st and Tuesday 22nd July 2025



Summer Term 2025 - Tuesday 22nd April - Friday 18th July

Half Term - Monday 26th May (Bank Holiday) - Friday 30th May

Summer Term 2025

Monday 23rd June	1.15, Year 6 Leavers' Service—Chichester Cathedral. (details to follow)
Monday 24th June	Hugo Van Driel assembly in school
Wednesday 25th June	8.30, West Dean 'Friends' Meeting in the Pavilion
Wednesday 25th June	1.30-2.30, New Entrants Visits Reception 2025
Thursday 26th June	GAS Sports at Boxgrove
Tuesday 1st July	Hugo Van Driel assembly in school
Wednesday 2nd July	1.30-2.30, New Entrants Visits Reception 2025
Thursday 3rd July	5.30, Governing Body Meeting
Monday 14th July	West Dean School presents 'The Lion King' (Evening) — Save the Date
Tuesday 15th –17th July	Year 6 Bikeability (details to follow)
Thursday 16th July	End of Term Summer Disco—5.00-6.30/5.30-7.00 KS2
Friday 18th July	1.00, End of Term & Leaver's' Assembly
Friday 18th July	Last day of summer term.
Monday 21st July	School Closed—Inset Day
Tuesday 22nd July	School Closed—Inset Day



Don't forget, we love to share special events and learning highlights wherever possible on Instagram. Follow us **@westdeanceprimary**



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SPORTS CENTRE

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reception
to book:
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Summer holiday camps

Sessions run by experienced & qualified teachers,
coaches & School Games Organisers. Activities include:

**Football, Tennis, Golf, Athletics, Striking &
Fielding, Arts & Crafts and much more!**

Please note activities may vary daily

Bookings open **Monday 26th May** (limited places available)

Arena Sports Centre 09:00-15:00

School years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 (Academic year 24-25)

Dates **Monday 21st July - Thursday 24th July
& Monday 4th August - Thursday 7th August**

(individual day bookings available)

£19.75 or £74 for all 4 days! - Includes Lunch!

All Free school meal pupils can access this provision for FREE, via HAF,
check with West Sussex County Council for more information.

HAF places please book via the WSCC website:

www.westsussex.gov.uk/haf

Booking deadline week 1: Wednesday 16th July

Booking deadline week 2: Wednesday 30th July



Please contact us for booking:

Tel 01243 870000 www.arenasportscentre.com

Email bookings@arenasportscentre.com



Westloats Lane, Bognor Regis, West Sussex PO21 5JD



Bookfest

We're excited to share two fantastic family events on Sunday 22nd June, organised by **Children's BookFest (CBF)**, a local charity dedicated to inspiring a love of reading.

CBF brings authors, poets and illustrators into local schools, providing an inclusive experience designed to spark children's imagination. Every year during Children's BookFest, children from across the district – including our pupils – meet and hear from a professional author and receive a signed, dedicated book to keep. For some, it may be the first book they've ever owned.

The events in June form a vital part of the charity's fundraising and we'd love to see as many of our pupils there as possible!

Supertato Silliness with Paul Linnet at 10:30am on Sunday 22 June

A riotous morning of stories, songs and laughs with the co-creator of *Supertato*.

Ages 4+ | £7 per ticket | [More Info & Tickets »](#)

Maz Evans' World of Adventures at 2:00pm on Sunday 22 June

An energetic, interactive adventure through myths, history and imagination with bestselling author Maz Evans.

Ages 8+ | £7 per ticket | [More Info & Tickets »](#)

2PM

MAZ EVANS

10.30 AM

PAUL LINNET

OH WHAT A KNIGHT!

SUPERTATO

FUNDRAISER

**CHICHESTER
FREE
SCHOOL**

**22ND
JUNE**

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