

## West Dean Church of England Primary School West Dean, Chichester, West Sussex, PO18 ORJ Telephone/Fax: 01243 811247

Headteacher: Mrs G. Moss Newsletter 34 26th June 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a wonderful week of sunshine and outdoor/indoor learning, with lots of our children back in school for the first time in weeks. This has brought a real boost to all our teaching team as we have missed them all so much!

School has felt quite full, with every learning space utilised and every grown up busy in their 'bubbles'! Where some children in a year group have not been able to be in the same 'bubble' as the rest of their year group, we have tried to make sure that they saw one another and had the chance to chat.

The final three weeks will run in a similar way, and we hope to provide some sporting activities akin to those we usually do on sports day, and some transition activities for all, but especially our Y6 friends, who will move up to high schools soon.

Thank you to all our grown ups for respecting the timings and the 'social distancing' measures in place.

We do not have any confirmation about plans for September as yet, but hope to open as fully as possible, as soon as possible.

We are making further progress with the development of Apple and Maple classes' outdoor areas, and look forward to 'revealing' these in September!

Our new entrants (YR pupils for September) will be joining us for short introductory sessions on Wednesday 1st and 8th July, in 'buddy pairs'. We hope that this will enable them and their grown ups to ask questions, familiarise themselves with the school environment and enjoy a little social interaction with their peers. We have a plan in place for maintaining their safety, and that of the rest of the school, and we are excited to meet them all again.

Please see the table below for a reminder of the organisation for the next four weeks, assuming that there are no changes with the national and local guidance.

Please refer to Newsletter 32 for further detailed information.



Our wonderful office team will still respond to email queries between 9am and 12 noon, and there is someone in school from 8:30 until 3pm, but we are often busy and may not always be able to answer the phone immediately.

If you have any suggestions or requests about how we can support you, please do get in touch.

#### PTA Plant Sales

# Thank you for supporting us with our plant sales:

There is still a selection of plants available on the playground. Please do help yourselves if you would like any. Generous donations can be made on schoolmoney.co.uk.

Which children?	Which days?	Which grown ups?	Which learning space?	Drop off and pick up times	
Apple Pupils: YR & Y1 (NOT KEY WORKER CHILDREN)	Either Mondays & Tuesdays or Thursdays & Fridays	Mrs Boxall and Mrs Muggeridgel, ed by Mrs Chilton & Mrs Plackett	Apple classroom and outdoor area	9:00 - 3:00	
У6	Mondays & Tuesdays	Mrs Prudence and Mrs Goacher	Beech Classroom	9:00 - 3:00	
У5	Thursdays	Mrs Pearmaine and Miss Ashton	Maple Classroom	9:00 - 3:00	
У4	Wednes- days	Mrs Johnson and Mrs Wakefield	Beech Classroom	9:00 - 3:00	
У3	Thursdays	Mrs Johnson and Mrs Wakefield	Beech Classroom	9:00 - 3:00	
У2	Fridays	Mrs Pearmaine and Miss Ashton	Beech Classroom	9:00 - 3:00	
K52 Rainbows (Key worker pupils)	Every day	Mrs Totman & Mrs Wakefield - Mondays Miss Ashton & Mrs Pearmaine - Tuesdays Mrs Prudence- Weds and Thurs Mrs Goacher- Weds, Thurs & Fri Mrs Johnson- Fridays	Chestnut Class- room	8:45 - 2:45	
K51 Rainbows (Key worker pupils)	Every day	Mrs Chilton— Mondays & Tuesdays Miss Ashton & Mrs Pearmaine—Wednesdays Mrs Plackett— Thursdays and Fridays	Hall	8:45 - 2:45	

#### Drop off and Pick up Times and Procedures

We need to keep groups of pupils and parents apart to reduce the risk of the spread of Covid-19. Please park at a safe distance from others and keep 2m away in the school grounds.

Parents should be able to park safely in the school car park, but if you can walk to school, please please do so, to avoid congestion. If you can park at the Dean Inn, and safely cross the road, this will help reduce congestion too.

Our staggered drop off and pick up timings will help us all to keep a safe distance and prevent families arriving together, queuing and mixing of groups. Please respect these timings. If you are very early, please wait in your car.

Please do not stand and chat on the playground as this will result in congestion—we would love to chat and catch up, but we will prioritise safety over this.

We cannot run after school clubs as we cannot mix groups. Our hours are limited so that all our staff can support us with sanitising and cleaning the school, as well as continuing to provide the high quality home learning resources, planning and support.

#### School Money Accounts

Please could you take a moment to log-in to your schoolmooney.co.uk account. We have been busy tidying things up and, hopefully, everything is in order ready to start fresh in September. However, here are some outstanding amounts. If you have any questions or queries please do get in touch and we'll do our best to help.

The settlement of any outstanding payments would be greatly appreciated, thank you.

Important information regarding Y5/6 on line safety and conduct has been emailed to parents and carers of these children.

Please ensure that you read this and act on it as soon as you can.

Apple Class have a lovely sandpit that they no longer need, some photographs are attached. If you are interested, we are asking for a donation.

Please do let us know if you would like to come in and have a look at it.



Diary Dates 2020

Summer Term 2020: Monday 20th April—Friday 17th July

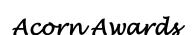
Autumn Term 2020: Monday 7th September—Friday 18th December

Half term holiday: October 26th—30th

2020 INSET days

Monday 1st June and Wednesday 1st July—CANCELLED

Monday 20th July



During our partial school closure, we would like to continue with our Acorn Awards.

We have children working hard in school and at home.

Please send us pictures of the work you have done, and maybe pictures of **you** doing the work. This can be any sort of home learning which you are proud of.

The teachers will then select someone from each year group for our acorn award and we will publish these in the newsletter each Friday and in the entrance area.

## Friday 26th June 2020

 ${\it Owen}\,$  - for writing a lovely poem about riding his bike and sharing his ideas for our class poem

**Monty** - for working so hard at home during lockdown

**Marina** - for her enthusiasm in school today, for coming in with a big smile on her face and working so hard all day. Her rainforest art work was incredible

Nova - for fantastic creative contribution to our Year 3 Poem

Isaac - for using powerful imagery and vocabulary in his poem

**Josh** - for his self awareness in maths

Oliver - for super shape poems



#### 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.

Payment for spring term clubs and care bears has been credited to your school money account. For the children in year 6, this credit has been applied to a sibling account, where possible.

## 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)

## Governing Body News:

Our team of governors continue to work together to help steer the school and support staff and the community. We are meeting every couple of weeks or so via Zoom video sessions.

For information about our Governing Body, to find out who we are and what we do or how to contact us please email Mrs Pasha Delahunty, Cerk to Governors - pdelahunty@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

## **Chartwells Menu for June & July**

These weeks are rotated to give variety.

Our school staff will have flexibility with serving if there is a fruit or salad or sandwich filling preference—we can make sure that there is something your child will like, even if it is not on the menu for that exact day!

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Sandwich	Ham, Cheese, Tuna Mayo	Ham, Cheese, Tuna Mayo	Ham, Cheese, Tuna Mayo	Ham, Cheese, Tuna Mayo	Ham, Cheese, Tuna Mayo
Vegetable	Cucumber & pep- per Sticks	Tomatoes & Cu- cumbers	Cucumber & pepper Sticks	Tomatoes & Cu- cumbers	Cucumber & pep- per Sticks
Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit
Dessert	Mandarin Marble Cake	Mini Yoghurt	Farmhouse Fruit Slice	Muesli Flapjack	Ambrosia Custard Pot

## Milk or Water available daily

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