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Headteacher: Mrs G. Moss Newsletter 7 15th February 2019



Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you to everyone for supporting our Community Café; for making cakes and bakes, donating raffle prizes and coming along to support us. Please see attached letter from Chestnut Class with further details.

World Book Day-Thursday 7th March 2019

We are inviting all the children in Apple, Maple and Beech classes to dress up as a favourite book character for our World Book Day in school on Thursday 7th March. We would also like to invite the children to bring in a favourite book with associated items to make up a story sack/box; this could include for example, a puppet made at home or an object which would help to tell the story. There are plenty of ideas on -line (pinterest) or pop in and ask one of us.

These will be shared in school among the classes and can then be taken home on Friday 8th March for your child to enjoy at home.

Please don't feel that you have to go out and buy things, use your creativity, things that you have at home/charity shops etc.

Don't forget to visit our book 'Swap Shop' in the Pavilion, open every day, 8.15-8.45, 2.45-3.15.

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 France Residential Visit - March 4 February and April and you are offered a green counter, please 8 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 ary please. and Rafi

Class Assembly Dates, 8.45:

Wednesday 27th February - Beech Class Tuesday 19th March - Chestnut Class

The week ahead..... February 2019

Monday 25th:

3.00 Art Club Mrs Moss

Tuesday 26th:

Swimming Club—Mrs Goacher & Mrs Johnson

Wednesday 27th:

8.45—Beech Class Assembly

1.00—Dance House Rehearsal

3.00—Football Club Matt Horstead

3.00—Cookery Club—Mrs Muggeridge and Mrs Boxall

7.00—Dance House performance

6.30—Corporate Challenge—Mrs Johnson

Thursday 28th:

Westgate swimming for Beech & Chestnut

3.00—Dance Club—Miss Hall

3.00—Lego—Mrs Pearmaine

12.00—Christs's Hospital Maths Challenge

Friday 1st March:

3.00—AAA Coaching—Ben Johnson

2019

Balance Due by Friday 15th Febru-

Payment is now available on school money for the France residential visit taking place in March 2019. The total amount is £359 but this can be made in instalments; just select the amount that you wish to pay and the balance will reduce accordingly.



Car Parking -

It has been brought to our attention that car parking is becoming



increasing difficult in The Dean car park. Please could we ask that you exercise caution and etiquette when using this car park. Please make sure that you park in the marked bays and take extra care when entering and exiting the car park, respecting other vehicles.

Parents with children in Reception, with young siblings or with disability are able to use our car park.

Please support us with our road safety logistics and keep everyone safe. If you would like a hi-vis vest, please ask at the office.

Please remember that Parents and Carers of Reception children should park in our school car park and not in the pub.

Thank you to our parents for your very generous **do-nations** on schoolmoney.co.uk—together we have raised £367 to date. We are hoping to be able to go ahead with our all weather running track very soon using this funding in addition to some school funds, PTA funds and Sports Premium grant. Look out for further details coming soon.

Dance House:

Don't forget, tickets are still available for our Dance House Event at The Alexandra Theatre in Bognor on Wednesday 27th February at 7.00pm.

Tickets are available to buy from the Alexander Theatre Box Office (01243 861010) and on their website: Alexandra Theatre Tickets. Tickets are priced at £10 per adult and £5 per

HELP PLEASE! We are looking at the possibility of having a marquee on the school field for our summer term production. If anyone has any expertise or contacts, or could get us 'mates' rates', please do let us know!

Special learning point — did you know that to find 1/4, or a quarter, of something, you just divide by 4? (You can halve it and halve it again!) so, how would you find 1/8 of something?

AAA Coaching Dates Available:

Monday 15th—Thursday 18th April 2019 (Easter)

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.

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.

Our Swap Shop is back—see attached letter with news of our new Book Swap Shop, coming soon. Thank you for your donations—keep them coming in.

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

Vacancy - Clerk to the Governors

We had recently appointed a new Clerk to the Governors, to attend the meetings, take the minutes and support the Governing Body with their roles and duties. Unfortunately, for personal reasons, this has not been successful for the appointee and we now have a vacancy.

The position would be for 1 hour per week and to attend Governing Body meetings, 1 per half term, 6.00-8.00pm.

If you think you would like to get involved in supporting the school and the governing body please do ask at the office for further details.

Pre-Loved Uniform

If you have any pre-loved uniform that your child has outgrown but is still in good condition, we'd love to have it for our Uniform shop so that other people can make use of it. We will be collecting in any items of uniform during week commencing 25th February in preparation for our Uniform sale which will take place in the pavilion, date tbc

After School Clubs for the second half of the spring term are now live on schoolmoney.co.uk. Places are allocated on a first come first served basis.

Diary Dates 2019

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

Half Term - Monday 18th February - Friday 22nd February

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

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

2018/19 **INSET days**

Friday 15th February 2019

Wednesday 3rd July 2019

Monday 22nd July 2019

Tuesday 23rd July 2019



Friday 15th February - Inset Day, School Closed - AAA Coaching available

Wednesday 27th February, 8.45 - Beech Class Assembly

Wednesday 27th February, 1.00 - Dance House Rehearsal (performance, 7pm) - Dance Club children

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

Thursday 28th February, 1.00 - Christ's Hospital Maths Challenge (x4 Year 4)

Y5/6 residential visit to France - March 4th - 7th 2019

Monday 4th March—Maths Enrichment Day at Chichester Cathedral for selected Year 3

Thursday 7th March - World Book Day—dress as a favourite book character

Tuesday 12th March—David Fuller, author visiting school

Tuesday 12th March, 1.30-3.30 - Sports Partnership 'Future Flyers' (selected children) at Westqate

Wednesday 13th March - ESSA Swim Gala (details to follow)

Thursday 14th March, 9.30-11.30 - GAS 'Little Big Sing' at The March School, Year 2

Thursday 14th March, 9.30—11.30 - Westgate Swimming for Beech and Chestnut

Thursday 14th March, 1.30-3.30 - Sports Partnership Quick Sticks Hockey event at The Regis (selected)

Friday 15th March - GAS STEM Enrichment Day at West Dean

Tuesday 19th March, 8.45—Chestnut Class Assembly

Thursday 21st March, 9.30-11.00—Westgate Swimming for Beech and Chestnut

Friday 22nd March, 1.30-3.30 - Sports Partnership Sportshall Athletics Event for Year 3/4

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

Tuesday 26th March , 3.15-5.00 - Parent Consultation Evening

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

Wednesday 27th March, 3.15-6.00-Parent Consultation Evening

Wednesday 27th March, 6.30 - Corporate Challenge in Chichester

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

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

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

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.