

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

Headteacher: Mrs G. Moss Newsletter 12 29th March 2019



Dear Parents and Carers

We have had an amazing time with our sporting events, you can read the children's reports here in our Newsletter and there are some photographs attached too. Well done to all of the children who have taken part in the events and to our staff: everyone has worked so hard and achieved so much! We have had reports of excellent sporting behaviour and excellent caching from our staff too.

Our MP visit didn't happen today—Gillian Keegan was busy with other priorities! We hope to rearrange this as soon as possible.

Enjoy the Spring sunshine everyone!

## The week ahead..... April 2019

Monday 1st: Eggstravaganzer Tombola, 3.00

Tuesday 2nd : Eggstravaganzer Tombola, 3.00

Wednesday 3rd: Rainbow Theatre Company visit to

School—The Easter Story

Thursday 4th: Last Westgate Swimming Beech &

Chestnut Class

2.30—End of Term Assembly and Easter Egg Raffle—all

welcome

Friday 5th: 9.55—Introductory Judo Assembly

### Hockey Report

On Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March, Jack, Ashton, Ewan, Holly, Matilda and Esther took part in a hockey tournament at the Regis school in Bognor. There were supposed to be 12 other teams there but 4 schools dropped out leaving only 8 other teams; this resulted in the fact we had to play every team in an exhausting 80 minute round-robin tournament.

Some of the schools attending were Rose Green, West Wittering, Edward Bryant and Birdham. All the teams worked hard and we felt proud of ourselves in how well we did, as some of the teams were very well trained. We even drew with the winners (again) which proved to us that even though we did not come first overall, we knew that our standard was just as good as the winners!

We won 3 matches, drew 3 matches and lost 2 matches. Overall we came 5<sup>th</sup> out of nine teams. We won the 'Spirit of the Games' award which most of our team agreed this could be more important than winning the whole competition.

A big thank you to Mr Clemens, who took these children to the Regis school and who supported them throughout the event, also to Mrs Goacher who got these children ready for the tournament.

Report by Jack Clemens

#### **Cormorants Swim Gala**

On Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March, KS2 children took part in the Chichester Cormorant Swimming Gala held at the Westgate Leisure Centre. There were many events: individual freestyle, butterfly, backstroke and breaststroke. There was also freestyle, medley and squadron relays..

6 local schools entered: The March, JYH, Bosham, Fishbourne, St Richards and us. After a very hard battle and running fourth for most of the event our final place was  $6^{th}$  place. We all tried our best for our team and best of all was that we all had great fun and we really enjoyed it. We showed great sportsmanship as we clapped every team.

The year 3, 4, 5 and 6 swimming team are very grateful and would like to thank Mrs Goacher, Mrs Johnson and Mrs Cruttenden for coaching them on Tuesday nights.

By Ewan Edwards and Ashton Horstead (Part of the West Dean KS2 swimming team)

Extra words from Mrs Goacher, Mrs Johnson and Mrs Cruttenden...

We feel incredibly proud of all the swimmers who attend Tuesday nights at Westbourne House School – your hard work and determination during our training sessions was evident in the pool on Saturday. Every swimmer gave their all resulting in some fabulous personal results. Your sportsmanship on the poolside and in the water was a credit to you all. It is easy to smile when we win: it is much harder to smile when we don't, yet every one of you congratulated each other and our competitors genuinely and generously showing everyone what sport at West Dean is all about.

Huge thanks must also go to all the grown-ups who supported us on Saturday. Once again, you were in fine voice and we could feel your encouragement across the water!

WEST DEAN SWIM TEAM: YOU ARE AWESOME!

#### 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.

#### 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

#### 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.;

# Congratulations to Ashton Horstead and Holly Wilburn for their Cross Country achievements.

Following their superb performance at the West Sussex West Cross Country Final they qualified to represent the West Sussex West Wolverines at the Specsavers Sussex School Games 2019 Cross Country Finals on Thursday 28th March in Brighton, Holly's report is attached further down.

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.

# 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..

Please do come and join us for our end of term assembly and raffle—Thursday 4th April, 2.30.



#### 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.

#### 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

#### Cross Country Report:

On the  $30^{th}$  January 2019 Ashton, Jack, Rafi, Max, Ewan, Holly, Matilda, Harry and James went to participate in a cross-country at Bishop Luffa. If you came in the top 15 of your race then you would qualify for the finals in Brighton to face other areas in England. The run was 1.5 kilometres long and everyone had to work really hard and it was very tiring. The year 5/6 boy's race was first and Ashton came  $5^{th}$  and qualified for the finals as the only boy from West Dean. Then in the girls race Holly came  $12^{th}$  as the only girl to get through to the finals.

The finals were held on the  $28^{th}$  March and they had to travel all the way to Brighton to compete. It was a tough race and all the people there were the top runners in their area which meant they were very high quality runners. In each race there were 200 people starting at the same time which made it very manic! They both were very proud of themselves for getting to this point, although they were very anxious for the race ahead of them. In the final results Ashton came  $67^{th}$  and Holly came  $97^{th}$ . This means that Holly is the  $10^{th}$  fastest girl in West Sussex and Ashton is the  $4^{th}$  fastest boy.

After the event they were really happy and proud of their achievement and most of all, they enjoyed it.

Ashton and Holly Yr6

#### Corporate Challenge Report

Children from Chestnut Class went to a running competition called the Corporate Challenge. The people who took part were Ewan, Jack, Ashton, Mason, Harry, Flora, Esther, Holly and Max.

We had to run 1.4km around Chichester town centre; it's a really fast race. The year 6 boys ran first, followed by the year 5 boys, then the year 6 girls and finally the year 5 girls. After this, secondary school pupils ran and the adults' race finished the competition. We had 3 opportunities to run (the races took place every other Wednesday over 6 weeks) so we could really try hard to run a personal best each time.

Ashton came  $5^{th}$  overall achieving a West Dean School record of 4mins 56 seconds. Everyone who took part improved their time each week. This was really good training for Holly and Ashton who were running in the county x-country competition in Brighton on Thursday  $28^{th}$  March.

It was a fantastic event and everyone who took part worked really hard and achieved brilliant results.

Mason Jackson Yr 5

#### **Arun Gala Report**

On Wednesday  $27^{th}$  March Jack, Ewan, Ashton, Ethan, Holly, Esther, Kitty and Matilda attended the SSP swimming gala held at Arun Leisure centre. 15 schools took part, the boys' team came  $2^{nd}$  and the girls' team came  $8^{th}$ . Overall West Dean came an amazing joint  $2^{nd}$ .

The boys qualified in both their relays for the final and came  $2^{nd}$  in their medley relay and  $1^{st}$  in the freestyle relay. Ashton and Ethan qualified for the boys backstroke final Ashton came  $7^{th}$  and Ethan came  $8^{th}$ , Ewan qualified for the boys' freestyle and came  $2^{nd}$  and Jack and Ewan qualified for the boys' breaststroke final, Jack came  $5^{th}$  and Ewan came  $4^{th}$ . Unfortunately, the girls' team did not qualify for the relay finals but Esther and Matilda qualified for the backstroke final. Esther came  $7^{th}$  and Matilda came  $6^{th}$  and Holly qualified for the breaststroke final and she came  $6^{th}$ .

A big thank you to Mrs Johnson, Mrs Goacher and Mrs Cruttenden for coaching the year 3/4/5&6 swim team on Tuesday nights. Also, thanks to Mrs Clemens for giving an extra hand at the gala.

By Jack and Ewan on behalf of the West Dean Swim Team.

#### 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 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2019

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2019

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2019



**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 29th March 2019

**Beatrix** - for taking her time and care in everything she does

**Bertie** - for reading regularly at home which has led to a huge improvement in his reading at school

Frankie O - for careful planning and hard work on improving her longer pieces of writing

**Harry** - for confident fantastic life saving skills at swimming, super listening and an amazing safe entry into the water

**Nell** - for super, well thought out story planning, this is going to enable her to start her story with confidence

Mason - for his recent success in many areas of his learning: commitment to improving your running, great Frisbee throwing and a super letter of thanks in our writing lesson

Holly - for taking advice on board and drafting an accurately spelled and punctuated formal letter, showing what you are capable of



#### 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 <a href="https://www.schoolmoney.co.uk">www.schoolmoney.co.uk</a>. 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 (<a href="mailto:office@westdean.w-sussex.sch.uk">office@westdean.w-sussex.sch.uk</a>)

#### 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.



