

## William Penn Newsletter 28<sup>th</sup> September 2018

### School Photographer

The school photographer will be visiting on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> October. Individual portraits will be taken during the morning. If you would like to include siblings that don't attend the school, please bring your children to the hall straight away when dropping off as these portraits will be completed first.

### William Penn School Open Day and Admissions to School September 2019

This term's Open Day will take place on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October. You are warmly invited to join us in school at a time of your choice and for as long or short a time as is convenient to you. We would just ask you to be mindful that the teachers will be teaching and unable to discuss your child's progress with you on this day. If you find that a lot of parents are in one class, it would be appreciated if you could spread your attendance out so that the children can carry on with their learning with minimal disruption. Having said this, we are thoroughly looking forward to welcoming as many of you as possible on the 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please enter the school via the front office and ensure that the gate is closed when entering or leaving the site. If you have time, we would welcome your comments in our Visitors' Book which is available in the office.

If you have a child starting school in September 2019, or if you know someone who does, please make them aware of the poster included below. This gives details of how to apply for a school place as part of the September intake in to reception. We would like encourage prospective parents to visit William Penn and would be very happy for you to pass on our contact details so that they can arrange a visit through Mrs Stephenson in the school office (01403 741274). Ms Passfield, our reception teacher will be visiting pre-schools so please look out for her.

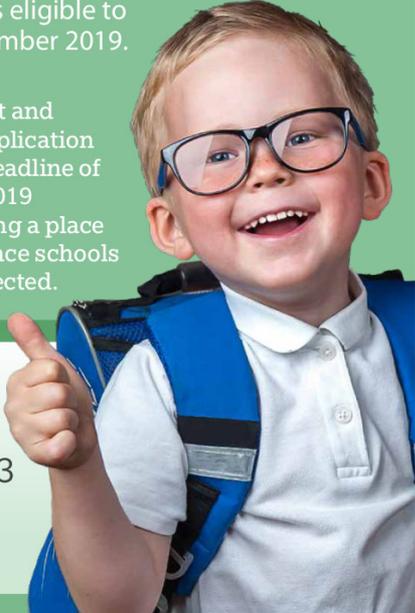
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### Was your child born between 1 September 2014 and 31 August 2015?

If so then he or she is eligible to start school in September 2019.

**Apply online!**  
It's simple, convenient and timesaving. If your application is received after the deadline of Tuesday 15 January 2019 your chance of securing a place at one of your preference schools could be seriously affected.



You can apply online from Monday 1 October 2018. If you would like further advice or information contact:

**03330 142 903**

Free internet access to apply online is available at all:

- West Sussex libraries
- Children and Family Centres

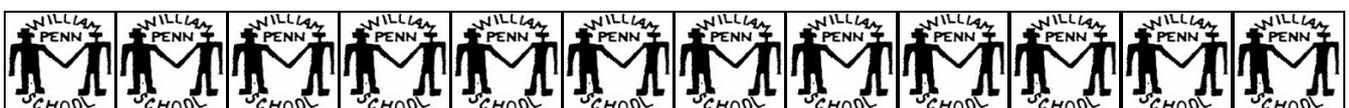
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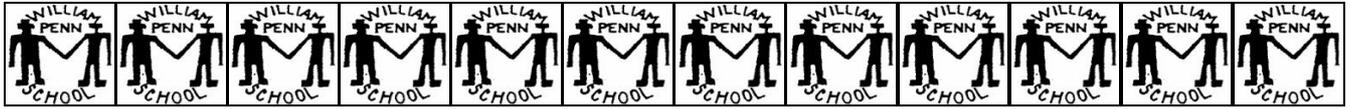


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### Special Theme Lunch Menu – Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> October

On Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October our lunch provider will be delivering a special lunch menu. We would respectfully ask that all children in Cadbury and Fox Classes (Year R,1,2) sample/have a hot meal on this day as the amount that the school pays for school lunches over time will be set according to take up on this day. A low take up will cost the school a great deal of money which we cannot then spend on resources and children's learning. Key Stage 2 pupils are very welcome to order the meal in the usual way.





## Music Provision in School

Ms Passfield and the staff have been working on the music curriculum and school provision since Mrs Kear's retirement. The focus for this term is largely based around singing with Harvest and Christmas featuring prominently. In the meantime, various options are being considered and trialled for the longer term and decisions will be made in time for implementation next term.

## PE Kit

Mr Ruff would like to remind all parents that pupils should have their PE kit in school for each session:

Mondays: Years 3,4,5,6

Tuesdays: Years Reception1,2

Fridays: Years 3,4,5,6

We suggest that kits are washed at weekends so please remember to bring them back in for the Monday sessions. Thank you

## Parking Consideration

We would like to thank parents for parking with consideration when dropping off and collecting children. It is very important to us that good relations with our school neighbours are maintained. On the rare occasion that driveways are blocked, used as turning points or access to properties compromised, it can place a strain on neighbourly relations and the good will that the school relies upon. Thank you again for your consideration.

## Parents' Consultations – Appointments Going Live Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October at 6.30am

As you know, our first Parent Consultations of the year are approaching on October 9<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>. Appointments can be booked using the online system and log-ins provided previously. New parents will receive their log in details on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October. If you do have any difficulties please see Mrs Stephenson in the school office.

## Violin and Guitar Lessons in school

There are spaces with our current violin and guitar teacher in school. Please contact West Sussex Music directly for further information.

## Safeguarding Update

The DfE has updated their guidance for safeguarding children in schools. You can read Keeping Children Safe in Education on the DfE website:

[https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/741314/Keeping\\_Children\\_Safe\\_in\\_Education\\_3\\_September\\_2018\\_14.09.18.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/741314/Keeping_Children_Safe_in_Education_3_September_2018_14.09.18.pdf)

## Pupil Achievements

Congratulations to Liberty L who has been awarded 'swimmer of the week' at Horsham Swim School. Well done.

If you have any pupil achievements that you would like mentioned in the newsletter, please e-mail the office:

[office@williampenn.co.uk](mailto:office@williampenn.co.uk)

