

## William Penn Newsletter 19<sup>th</sup> September 2018

### Week By Week Overviews and Topic Webs on the Website

This term's week by week overview sheets and topic webs are now available on the school website. These sheets will give you a much better idea about what is happening in your child's class on any given week. They are working documents and subject to change but will help you to support your child's learning. The documents can be found under the Teaching and Learning tab.

[http://www.william penn.co.uk/website/autumn\\_2018/368811](http://www.william penn.co.uk/website/autumn_2018/368811)

### Oceans Are Not Rubbish Competition

Key Stage 2 Reminder: Please can any ***Oceans are not Rubbish*** artwork be brought into Mrs Constable by 28/9 so that the school council can choose which winning sculpture should be entered into the competition.

The guidelines are as follows:

1. Build your plastic sculpture using recycled plastic rubbish ONLY!  
Please, please don't get 'new' plastic straws, bottles etc.
2. All sculptures must be of sea creatures, mammals or seabirds, ideally ones that are threatened or endangered.
3. Use environmentally-friendly glue, string or other support materials.
4. Your model must be a minimum of 50cms high, 50cms wide and 50cms deep and a maximum of 2 metres high, 2 metres deep



COMPETITION FOR SCHOOLS

### Eligibility for Free School Meals

West Sussex County Council has an application form for parents to check Free School Meal Eligibility. Registration for Free School Meals can bring additional funds to the school and eligible **parents should register whether their children receive a meal because they are in Key Stage 1 or not**. In order to make this process easier the County Council has updated the Free School Meals page on the West Sussex County Council website and revised the application form that enables the council to check parents' eligibility for free school meals.

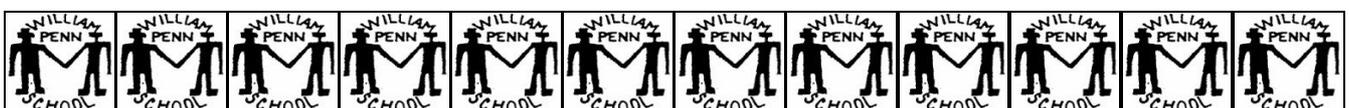
Here is the link to the website and the revised application form:

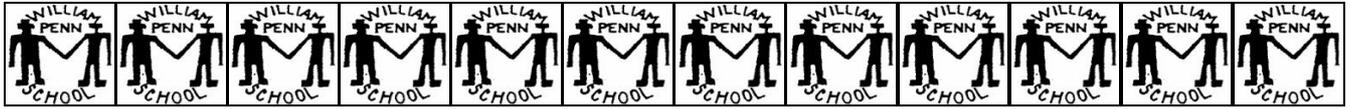
<http://www.westsussex.gov.uk/learning/schools>

### Weald School Open Day

The Weald School Open Evening this year is on Thursday 27 September 2018.

If you can't make the Open Evening, please call 01403 787200 for a tour around the school.





## Violin Lessons

Miss Hester, who teaches the violin at school has spaces for pupils in Fry or JBB. If your child is interested in playing the violin, please contact Miss Hester via her email [emily.hester@westsussexmusic.co.uk](mailto:emily.hester@westsussexmusic.co.uk)

## School Horse Riding Team

Calling all quite keen horse riders! We would like to register the school to take part in National Schools Equestrian Association (capital NSEA) competitions. These take place at a number of locations and competitions are for teams and individuals. Disciplines include Dressage, Showjumping, Arena Eventing, Hunter Trials and One-day events. Jumping starts at 40 cm (can be lead) and continues upwards. We can enter teams (if enough to compete at the selected height) or as individuals for the school.

If you are interested please give details to the school office – name, age on 1st January 2019 and disciplines you are interested in plus heights jumping.

I hope to submit an application by the end of the month. Any queries to Sarah Bamsey

Regards  
Sarah Bamsey

## Safeguarding Update Head Lice/Signposting to Resources

We would like to thank all our families who regularly check hair for head lice as this makes a real difference to containing an outbreak. The children here are very used to hearing that 'Friday night is nit night' as a reminder to ask an adult to check hair, and if needs be treat promptly, on a weekly basis.

Head lice are a common problem, particularly in school children aged 4-11 years. It's difficult to know exactly how common head lice are because the problem is often treated at home, with people only visiting their GP if treatment is unsuccessful. However, it's thought that up to one in three children in the UK may get head lice at some point during the year.

As you know head lice can be effectively treated with medicated lotions or by wet combing using a specially designed head lice comb, and treatment is the responsibility of the parents or carers. The local authority would like to highlight that parents and carers can use the NHS choices web site, where advice on detection and treatment can be found at: <http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice/pages/introduction.aspx> or the recently published guide that detailed, updated and comprehensive advice on how to get rid of head lice naturally: <https://www.jenreviews.com/head-lice/>

## Pupil Achievements

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)

