

West Green Primary School Newsletter



Dear Parents and Carers,

Well, what a term this has been! What with all the recent Christmas festivities, it's easy to forget that this is the term that West Green went from being a school which 'Requires Improvement' to being 'Good'. It's a credit to all the hard work put in by the staff and children that West Green is greatly improved as a school. The quality of teaching, the curriculum, and of course the SATs results have all gone from strength to strength over the last few years. We can honestly say that the school is the best it has been for a long time, and has such a positive 'vibe' about it. The fact that we have such supportive parents/carers as yourselves goes a long way to helping us on this journey.

So here's wishing you all a restful holiday, and we look forward to seeing you all again in 2019.

A Little Fir Tree

A big well done to Year 1, Year 2 and Reception for a wonderful Christmas performance, which I am sure you enjoyed as much as we did.

Once again, the children's performance was outstanding and the confidence from such young children is to be commended.

Carol Concert

Thank you to all the parents, carers, grandparents and friends who attended our recent Carol Concert at Crawley Baptist Church. The children sang beautifully and clearly enjoyed themselves. We were also treated to a performance by the School Choir, who will be performing alongside other schools at the Young Voices Concert at the O2 arena in February.

Carols at Carey House

As part of our commitment to fostering strong community ties, Years 1 and 2 visited Carey House, where they sang carols to the residents.

The children and residents enjoyed some festive fun, especially when Santa paid a surprise visit and gave each of the children a small chocolate gift.

Christmas Teddies

A big well done to the children of the School Council who raised £167 by selling Christmas teddies. The children gave up their free time before school to sell the teddies, which proved very popular with each day's stock selling out within 10 minutes.

The School Council raise money to fund their own improvements to the school – in the past they have paid for a 'buddy bench' and bought equipment for use at break-times.

School Christmas Disco

As ever, the school disco was a hugely popular event.

A big thank you to the Parents of West Green that helped to set up for the evening and run the event.

A special thank you to Mr Dickinson and family, for providing the disco and an excellent playlist, which had all the children up and dancing.

Attendance Matters

Whole school attendance for November was 97.1%, meeting our target of 97% or above. Your continued commitment to ensuring your child is in school, on time, is greatly appreciated.

Well done to Year 6 and Reception, who were jointly awarded the much coveted award for Best Attendance for the Term.



After School Clubs

Start dates for Spring Term clubs:

Thursday 3 rd January:	Choir
Monday 7 th January:	Karate Book club
Tuesday 8 th January:	Multisport Years 4 – 6 Drama
Wednesday 9 th January:	Multisport Years 1 – 3
Thursday 10 th January:	Dodge ball
Friday 11 th January:	Football Club Year 1 – 4 Football Team Year 5 & 6

Staffing News

Please join me in welcoming our new Year 6 teacher, Mr Linford, and Mrs V Moore, our new Learning Support Assistant, to the school.

It is also time to say good bye to Mr Noble, who has done a fantastic job of guiding the Year 6 pupils through their Key Stage 2 assessments over the last few years. Mr Noble will be greatly missed and we wish him all the best with his new endeavour.

Congratulations to Mrs R Moore on the birth of her son. Mother and baby are doing well.

We Are Going Digital

As a school it is important that we keep you informed and up-to-date with the latest information relating to school life. In order for us to do this as efficiently as possible, we will be sending out more of the communications between the school and parents/carers electronically (via email). If you do not receive emails, when you think you should, please inform the office immediately so that the situation can be rectified.

If you have informed the school that you do not wish to be contacted via email you will be provided with a paper copy of letters.

Paper copies of all letters will be available from the school office.

Breakfast Club

After a successful trial, Breakfast club will be running each morning throughout the Spring term, between 7.45 – 8.45am. Spaces are limited to 16 children per session. There is a fee of £3 per child per session, payable in advance to secure the place.

If you would like to book your child a place at Breakfast Club please ask at the school office for a booking form, or alternatively the booking form can be downloaded from our website.

Happy Christmas and a Merry New Year!

We look forward to seeing you on Thursday 3rd January when school re-opens after the holiday.

Autumn Term Dates

Winter Break: 20th December 2018 – 2nd January 2019	
3 rd January	Start of Spring term, school open at 8.45am
9 th January	Year 6 Talk from West Sussex Police
30 th January	Kids Matter Parenting Programme Taster Session, 9:00am in school hall
4 th February	Young Voices Concert at O2, London
7 th February	Come and Share our Learning: Reading theme, 9:00am – parent/carers invite all years
15 th February	Sponsored Reading Half-Term Challenge
Half Term: 18th – 22nd February 2019	
25 th February	INSET Day (school closed to children)
8 th March	Mid-Year Reports Sent Home
11 th March	Year 6: Bikeability Week
13 th March	Parents Evening, 15:30 – 18:00
14 th March	Parents Evening, 16:30 – 19:00
28 th March	Year 2 Class Assembly – parent/carers invite
Easter Break: 8th – 22nd April 2019	

Yours sincerely
Mr A Hodgson - Headteacher