West Green Primary School Newsletter



Dear Parents and Carers,

We need to remind you that the school staff car park at the front of the school is not for parents to use for school drop off and pick up. We cannot take any responsibility for incidents which happen as a result of parents using the car park for this purpose. Parents are advised that when they need to drive to school, they can park in the roads surrounding the school or at the local shops and walk from there.

Furthermore, there should be no expectation that this facility will be available to use, and so when entry to, and exit from the car park is blocked – for example by the swimming coach – there should be no reason to complain. Parents are asked not to approach the driver regarding this issue.

The school is aware that the swimming coach can cause a hazard to crossing the road on Wednesdays and the current traffic situation in Crawley has made this worse by delaying the coach so that it is arriving at the end of the school day. We are exploring options to make this safer, but in the meantime children and parents are advised to make use of alternative crossing places and not to attempt to cross the road in front of or behind the coach when it is parked outside the school.

Ultimately both these problems will be best solved by the recruitment of a crossing patrol person for the school which we are continuing to advertise for. We are working with West Sussex on this but to date this has been unsuccessful. If parents find the fact that we are still without a school crossing patrol unacceptable they are strongly encouraged to write to Henry Smith, MP for Crawley.

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Mr Hodgson

Parent Governor Needed

Parent governors play a vital role on school governing bodies, holding a unique position of having a parental viewpoint of the school. Any parent/carer that has a child at West Green Primary can apply to be a parent governor.

If you want to make a positive impact on children's education and school life at West Green Primary and are interested in learning please pop by the school office where you will be able to pick up an application form.

Dot and Dash

West Green Primary have two new additions to our robot family, Dash and Dot. Dash and dot help bring coding to life and are fully interactive, making learning this vital skill fun. The robots were donated by EAC Network Solutions.



Year 4 Hindu Temple Trip

As part of your child's education at West Green Primary, we teach them about six of the world's religions. As part of this, Year 4 visited the Hindu temple in Three Bridges. They had an informative visit and were complimented on their attitude to learning about the Hindu religion.

Lyna had this to say about the visit: 'We learned about some of the gods and the story of Ganesh. After that, we had to sketch one of the gods. A few minutes after we heard people praying. One of the people that worked in the temple told us about the puja tray. A puja tray is a special tray were the Hindus put food to offer to their god. They always ring the bell to let the god that they are worshiping know that they are here. We had a great time.'

School Uniform

School logo embroidered uniform can now be ordered online via mycolthing.com. Myclothing.com stock a number of items including book bags and school coats. To order from myclothing.com you will need to set up an account with them. You will also need to make sure that you select West Green Primary School in Crawley.

You can also order school logo polo tops, cardigans, jumpers and fleeces through the school office. The next order deadline is 15th March 2019.



Come and Share Our Learning 7th February

Parents and carers are invited to attend the upcoming Come and Share Our Learning event. This term the theme is Reading and will be a great opportunity to explore the school's immersive reading strategy.

The event will take place in your child/children's class room from 9:00am.

World Book Day 7th March

World Book Day is a fantastic opportunity to spark children's imaginations and embrace their love of books. As a school we are hoping to replicate the success of last year, where we saw many wonderful costumes.

I'm sure the children will enjoy dressing up as their favourite book characters.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast club is 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.

Spring Term Dates

4 th February	Young Voices Concert at O2, London
7 th February	Come and Share Our Learning: Reading theme, 9:00am – parent/carer invite all years
	Half Term: 18 th — 22 nd February 2019
25 th February	INSET Day (school closed to children)
27 th February	Year 3 Trip to Crawley Library
4 th March	Year 3 Broadfield Mosque Visit
6 th March	Year 2 Trip to Crawley Library
7 th March	World Book Day – Fancy dress
8 th March	Mid-Year Reports Sent Home
11 th March	Year 5 Buddhist Centre Trip
11 th March	Year 6: Bikeability Week
13 th March	Year 4 Trip to Crawley Library
13 th March	Parents Evening, 15:30 – 18:00
14 th March	Parents Evening, 16:30 – 19:00
19 th March	Year 3 Trip to Wilderness Woods
20 th March	Year 5 Trip to Crawley Library
28 th March	Year 2 Class Assembly – parent/carer invite
3 rd April	Year 6 Trip to Crawley Library
	Easter Break: 8 th — 22 nd April 2019