

St Wilfrid's CE Primary School



2018 Newsletter

'Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving each other, just as God in Christ also has forgiven you.'

Ephesians 4:32

Dear Parents and Carers,



We have started the school year, reflecting on our first value – care. In assemblies and in class we have been thinking about who cares for us in school and how we can care for those in need.

We will also be thinking about how we can care for not just each other but also for the world as well. Also, children will be sharing their thoughts on this with children in other classes before the end of the half term.

On Tuesday, next week, we will be having harvest assemblies for the children to give thanks for the food we have and to think about how we can support those who do not. Any donations (as detailed in the email this week) can be brought in on Monday or Tuesday ready for the assemblies on Tuesday.

Our school website

After a few technical problems, the school website seems to be working properly and all pages can be accessed properly. The dates for our upcoming open days are there, as well as the INSET days for the year. Over the next few days we will be adding more dates to the calendar and there are key dates for you diary at the end of the newsletter.

Also, we do let our main halls and small hall in the evenings and we currently have spaces on Tuesday to Friday from 7pm. There is information on the website or you can contact the school office to discuss this further. If you know anyone who might be interested then please pass this on.

Fair Funding campaign

Last year, you received information regarding the Worthless? Campaign. This campaign is continuing and on Friday 28th September, head teachers from across the country will gather at Downing Street to call for increased investment in our schools. The demonstration plans to bring one thousand head teachers together to secure:



- Fair and sufficient funding for all schools,
- Much improved teacher supply and retention,
- Enhanced social mobility for the most vulnerable and disadvantaged students that we serve.



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In the short term, the Chancellor must ensure the major rising cost pressures on school budgets must be meaningfully addressed and improved. Any public sector pay agreements should be fully funded and crisis-hit AEN/SEND and sixth form budgets must be given emergency relief funding. In the longer term, the 2020 comprehensive spending review must ensure that every school is sufficiently funded.

Head teachers from Cumbria to Cornwall have agreed to show their support. I have asked permission from the Governors to join this demonstration and I will be joining other local heads from Mid-Sussex as we seek to gain the funding our schools need, to provide the education our children deserve.

Community Award

Our chair of Governors, Jill Garraway, has received a community award for her work as a governor at our school.



The awards are an annual event celebrating the outstanding work of people within our communities.

The award recognises volunteers whose work helps to:

- Support valuable organisations and groups across Mid Sussex
- Improve the quality of community life

Nominees are chosen by Councillors from Mid Sussex District Council and local town and parish Councils.



Well done, Mrs Garraway!

Kind regards,

Simon Hateley

Dates for your diary

27 September	No KS2 Karate
28 September	Y4 Trip
4 October	9am Parent helper meeting
5 October	9am Individual and 3.20pm Sibling photos
11 October	9.15-10.15 New Entrant open morning
12 October	KS1 and KS2 Disco
16 October	YR-Y5 Flu vaccinations
7/8 November	Parent Consultations
14 November	9.15-10.15 New Entrant open morning



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