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## Western Road Community Primary School Newsletter

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### Weekly Attendance

Oak: 98.7%

Elder: 99.3%

Willow: 90.7%

Larch: 99.3%

Cherry: 95.3%

Elm: 91.7%

Silver Birch: 94.5%



### Weekly House Points

Firle Beacon: 469

Mount Caburn: 526

Black Cap: 416

Mount Harry: 376



Dear Parents and Carers,

**Governors Visit:** Some of the Governors came to school last week to see how well children are doing in their maths. They looked at children's books and spoke with some of the teachers. They were very pleased with what they saw. Thank you Governors for giving up your time and coming into school.

**Attendance and Punctuality Update:** To clarify the message that went in the last Newsletter. We are advised that some evidence (note from G.P. / Appointment Card etc.) should be provided if children are off more than 2 - 3 days due to illness if their attendance record indicates:

1. consecutive 'broken weeks of attendance' or
2. overall school attendance percent is below expected level.

The school will contact you for this if required. If children's attendance is good, and they have an illness lasting 2 - 3 days or more, then this further confirmation may not be necessary.

There are still a number of children who are consistently arriving late for school. The gates open at 8.40am; teachers are in the playground at 8.50am, and the bell rings for the start of the school day at 8.55am - all children should be in their class (Reception, Year 1 & 2) or their class line (Year 3 - 6) at this time. ESBAS will be coming in to school to do a 'late sweep' at some stage soon to see if this has improved. ESBAS offer lots of advice and guidance to both schools and parents; please do let us know if you would like to speak with someone about issues relating to pupil attendance and punctuality.

**Thank you:** Thank you to Chloe Edwards and her team of children for organising the Comic Relief event last Friday—Crazy Hair Day!!

**Production Time!:** Year 3 & 5 will be performing their end of term production, **The Keymaster**, for their parents next week: Wednesday 25th March at 2.00pm, and Thursday 26th March at 2.00pm in the school hall. The adults and children have been working very hard and are looking forward to the performances.

### Breakfast and After-School Club:

Numbers for the after-school club are filling up fast each day with numbers at capacity for some days. The Breakfast is full most days now - do try and call to book a place if you need it: Mrs Hasan on 07531954 046. If we know in advance, we can get in additional staffing to support the breakfast club.

### Safe-Guarding Children at Western Road Community Primary School:

At Western Road Community Primary, all staff take safeguarding children very seriously. All staff have been trained in Safeguarding and Child Protection. If you have any concerns about a child's well-being, please contact the Designated Teachers for Child Protection: **Mr Giddens** and **Mrs Ofield**.

### Up Coming Events and Dates:

- Monday 23rd March - Parent / Teaching Evening: 3.50pm - 7.00pm
  - Tuesday 24th March - Parent / Teacher Evening: 3.50pm - 7.00pm
- Year 3 & 5 Production '**The Keymaster**' Performance Dates:
- Wednesday 25th March - 2.00pm in the School Hall
  - Thursday 26th March - 2.00pm in the School Hall
- Monday 13th April - Start of Term 5: Children back at school
  - Friday 24th April - Celebration Assembly: 3.00pm
  - Friday 24th April - Centenary Reunion Event: 6.30pm (for past pupils & staff, staff & Governors.)

**Please view the school website which has all information about school events, Newsletters, and Information that parents need to know about.**

**After School Clubs:** The after-school clubs timetable for the summer term went out last week. Some clubs are already full, and others not. There are still places available in:

- Football (Year 3 - 5)
- Multi-Skill Fit Club (Year 1 - 3)
- Multi-Skill Fit Club (Year 4 - 6)
- Cricket Club (Year 4 - 6)

Once you receive your confirmation slip (Monday 23rd) payment in full needs to be made.

### Celebration Assembly

The following children have received a Headteacher's Award this week; well done to all of you for your continued hard work and effort.

- Silver Birch: Jack Powell & Georgie Caughey
- Elm: Taras Allistone & Agnes Inns Slater
- Cherry: Holly Docherty & James Gill
- Larch: Noah Sanders & Kamala Drake
- Willow: Alex Smith & Raimi Murray
- Elder: Sophie Henshaw & Luca Hawes
- Oak: Lola Lazzati & Sebastian Wojtulewski

**Parent / Teacher Evenings:** Hopefully you have all received the letter and booking form for the parent / teacher evenings, Monday 23rd and Tuesday 24th March, from 3.50pm - 7.00pm in the school hall. 10 minute interview slots have been provided for you to meet with your child's class teacher to discuss their progress so far this year. Your child's Report will be issued on Friday 20th March. There is a section on the reverse side for you and your child to write a comment. Please bring the reports along with you to the Parents' Evening. We will hold on to the report, photocopy, and return to you the next day. I would like to thank teachers for the long hours they have put in to writing children's reports. We look forward to seeing you on either the Monday or Tuesday evening. Tea and coffee will be available for those parents waiting between appointments. Please, if possible, do not bring younger children along to the consultation meeting.

**News Via Email:** All school newsletters and information are being sent out by email, as well as the traditional letters in children's book bags. If you are not receiving the letters by email, please contact Mrs Winter in the office.

**Centenary Celebrations:** As you will be aware, Western Road Community Primary School is turning 100 this year. The initial celebratory event will take place on Friday 24th April - with an open afternoon, and a Reunion event at 6.30pm for ex staff, old pupils, staff and Governors. There will be events taking place later in the year for current pupils and families.

**Quote for the week:** (from a book titled: Live and Learn, and Pass It On!)

I've learned that the best and quickest way to appreciate other people is to try and do their job. (51)