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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a super week with Chestnut Class assembly one of our highlights. We learnt about natural selection, Darwin, Nobel, and how the Community Café and all our rich learning experiences are built into the curriculum.

All our classes have enjoyed sharing books this week, as we celebrated World Book Day—see overleaf for more on this! Do come and buy some quality books from our bring and Buy sale, which will continue into next week.

Safe driving in the car park

Once again, it has become necessary to remind everyone to be courteous, respectful and considerate when driving and parking, not only in our school car park but also when using The Dean car park.



Playtime clothes

Y2,3,4,5,6 footballers - please could our footballers have long tracksuit bottoms to wear for football to keep their school trousers clean.



Chichester Cathedral Maths Enrichment

The children spent the day exploring and investigating around the cathedral to solve a range of real life mathematical problems.

They were able to apply as well as further their knowledge and skills in measurement, scale drawings, shape and Roman numerals.

The day even began with a strategic mathematical game similar to noughts and crosses that the Romans used to play at the cathedral which involved trapping an opponents pieces to prevent them forming 3 in a row.



The week ahead..... March 2020

Monday 9th March :

Tuesday 10th March:: - 8.45, Apple Class Assembly

Beech Class—Forest Schools—remember to bring a change of clothes

Swimming Club

Wednesday 11th March: Cookery club, 3.00, Mrs Muggerridge and Mrs Boxall Chess Club Mr Peter Chambers

Thursday 12th March: Westgate Swim for Beech and Chestnut, 9.30—11.

Judo Club, 3.00, Mr Pring

Friday 13th March:

1pm Hi 5 Netball at Bishop Luffa (selected yr 5)

AA Coaching

AAA Football Club, 3.00, Ben Johnson

Staying Healthy at West Dean

Please see the attached letter as a reminder of our coronavirus message.

Thank you all for your support in helping us to delay/prevent the spread of any germs in our population. We continue to seek ways to keep everyone healthy.

Water bottles will be sent home today to be washed over the weekend. Please could they be returned to school on Monday morning.

Important reminder to parents and carers:

Please could you let us know if you have any changes to medical conditions, inhalers or equipment, and/or emergency contact details. The details that we keep on file are only as current as your advice.

Remember—.....if anything has changed, please let us know.



Yoga at West Dean:

Come along to the new, mixed ability Yoga class at West Dean with Debbie Albon. Classes are running on Monday evening, beginning 24th February, 6.00-7.15 during term time here at school. Look out for details attached.

Please do spread the word so that this is a viable class!



Class Assembly Dates:

Apple Class:

Tuesday 10th March

Maple Class:

Thursday 2nd April

Please do come and join us at 8.45.

Head Lice *Please ensure long hair is tied back at all times!*

We have had reported cases of head lice in school. Please be vigilant and treat your child's hair appropriately if necessary. Nit combs are available from the school office.



Just a reminder that we are a member of The Giving Machine, so please, if you can, do remember to use this website when shopping online.

The Giving Machine is a fundraising charity setup to help other charitable causes raise money online. By signing up and shopping online via The Giving Machine you will generate a free cash donation for West Dean Primary School. With over 2,200 of your favourite retailers, including Ebay, M&S, NEXT, Tui, Sainsbury, John Lewis & Partners and Waitrose & Partners, you are bound to find what you need and generate a donation. Retailers pay commission to websites that send shoppers to them. The Giving Machine turns this commission into a charitable donation for our school. It's free and easy to use.

Simply visit www.thegivingmachine.co.uk, click join and search for West Dean CE Primary School or use our quick sign in code 266078, complete the registration form and you will be

PTA News:

Welly Walk—Sunday 15th March, 2.30–4.00

Please let Jenny Anstee (Rupert and Hetty's Mummy) know if you're planning on coming along so we can get an idea of numbers to tell the college. We would be grateful if those coming could bring a contribution to tea afterwards. Cakes and biscuits would be wonderful. We shall provide the cups of tea!

We are currently raising money to replace and refresh our **Trim Trail**, which is much loved by the children, as well as all the many other areas you support.

Fools Rules

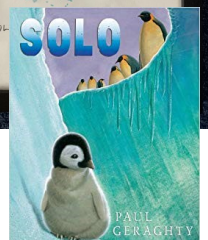
On 1st April, we have a fun day planned! Look out for details!

Casino Night—Friday 27th March—SAVE THE DATE and look out for more details attached.

Easter Eggstravaganza - School Parliament Fundraising.

Look out for details of our Easter Readathon, Easter Egg Raffle and Tombola.

This has all been sent home, further reminders will follow nearer the time.



WORLD BOOK DAY:

March 6th—thank you for supporting our **Bring and Buy Book Stall**—we had a moderately good response but have books left, so we will run this again each day before and after school next week.

Looking for the perfect gift for grandparents to buy your children? Or perhaps just something beautiful for the bedroom/playroom wall? We have two superb original pieces of art work, signed by the author illustrator Paul Geraghty. These beautiful pictures with their accompanying books are being auctioned until next week: they are framed and highly desirable, so please see the attached information regarding making a bid.

All funds raised will go towards the school library and more books for our children.

We will be dressing up next year! So start planning your outfit and do your best not to spend money on it, but to recycle and re-use if you can!!

Diary Dates 2020

Spring Term 2020: Monday 6th January - Friday 3rd April

Half Term: Monday 17th—Friday 21st February

Summer Term 2020: Monday 20th April—Friday 17th July

Half Term: Monday 25th May—Friday 29th May

2020 INSET days

Monday 1st June, Wednesday 1st July, Monday 20th July



Saturday 7th March, 6.30 - Cormorants Swim Gala at Westgate

Monday 9th March, 6.00 - Yoga with Debs at West Dean

Tuesday 10th March, 8.45—Apple Class Assembly

Thursday 12th March, 9.30 - Westgate swim session for Beech and Chestnut

Friday 13th March, 1.00-3.00 - SSP Hi 5 Netball event at Bishop Luffa (selected Yr 5)

Sunday 15th March, 2.30-4.00 - PTA Welly Walk in West Dean Gardens

Monday 16th March, 6.00 - Yoga with Debs at West Dean

Tuesday 17th March, 3.00-5.00—Parent Consultation Evening

Wednesday 18th March, 3.00-6.00—Parent Consultation Evening

Thursday 19th March, 1.00-3.00—SSP event, Ultimate Frisbee for Year 6 at Bishop Luffa with Mrs Goacher

Monday 23rd March - Friday 27th March—Alive and Kicking week in school, look out for details of our activities for happy, healthy lives.

Monday 23rd-Friday 27th March—Bikeability for Year 6

Monday 23rd March, 6.00 - Yoga with Debs at West Dean

Tuesday 24th March—Maths Challenge Christs Hospital—selected Yr 4 pupils

Wednesday 25th March—Arun Swim Gala

Thursday 26th March—Governing Body Meeting

Friday 27th March, 7.30 - PTA Casino Night at The Dean

Monday 30th March, 6.00 - Yoga with Debs at West Dean

Tuesday 31st March, 1.00-3.00—Beech Class visit to Dr Sharon-Michi Kusunoki's Tutankhamun exhibition

Wednesday 1st April - PTA Fools Rules Day (further info to follow)

Wednesday 1st April, 3.00pm—Easter Egg Tombola in the pavilion

Thursday 2nd April, 8.45—Maple Class Assembly

Thursday 2nd April, 3.00pm—Easter Egg Tombola in the pavilion

Friday 3rd April, 8.45—End of Term Assembly, all welcome to join us

Friday 3rd April, 2.30 - Easter 'Eggstravaganzer' Raffle

Thursday 23rd April, 10.00-2.00—Year 5 Mini-Olympics at Bishop Luffa

Friday 1st May—PTA Sponsored Mini-Olympics (further details to follow)

Thursday 7th May, 1.00-3.45—Tri Golf at Chichester Golf Club for Year 3

Friday 8th May - 75th VE Day Anniversary Bank Holiday—school closed

Monday 11th—Friday 15th May - SATs Week

Thursday 21st May, 2.30-3.30 - Community Cafe

Monday 1st June - INSET Day, School Closed

Summer Term Class Assembly Dates:

Apple Thursday 4th June

Maple Thursday 25th June

Beech Wednesday 20th May

Chestnut Tuesday 16th June

Please do come along and join us at 8.45

Acorn Awards

Friday 6th March 2020

***Solomon** - for always doing his best in everything he is learning, especially in his independent writing, well done!*

***Henry** - for being engaged and focussed on all his learning this week, brilliant work!*

***Zebby** - for his fantastic collaboration during our research project, working so well with his partner to research their lost words animal. A real credit to Maple Class*

***James** - for interesting contributions to class discussions about crows, he has a wealth of knowledge that he is keen to share—great work!*

***Alice** - for careful and considered answers in guided reading and thinking beyond the obvious—well done!*

***Richard** - for being a super example of an independent learner who tries to help himself and shows perseverance*

***Sidney** - for his calm, mature and responsible attitude to learning, you are so appreciated*



**West Dean CE Primary School
Club Hub**

Spring Term 2020

second half of spring term

x5 weeks

Day	Adult Lead	Max	Club	Cost	Year Group
Monday	Mrs Andrea Geall (24.02.20 only)	20	Dance (selected)	£ 5.00	Yr 3,4,5,6,
Tuesday	Mrs Goacher/Mrs Johnson	20	Swim WBH	£ 20.00	Yr 3,4,5,6,
	(see below for swimming dates)				
Wednesday	Mrs Muggeridge/Miss Boxall	10	Cookery	£ 25.00	Yr3, 4, 5, 6
	Mr Chambers	12	Chess/Strategy	£ 25.00	Yr 3,4,5,6
Thursday	Mr Pring (excl kit hire) (further info to follow re kit hire)	18	Judo	£ 27.50	Yr 3,4,5,6
Friday	AAA Coaching	20	Multi-sports	£ 25.00	1,2,3,4,5,6

Club Dates:

W/C 24th Feb, 2nd, 9th, 23rd and 30th March.

No Clubs W/C 16th March as this is Parents' Evening week.

In addition to our after school club programme our Care Bear provision is available everyday, Mon-Fri, 3.00-4.00pm. Please make sure that you book in.

All clubs run from 3.00-4.00, with the exception of Cookery Club which finishes at 4.15 and our swimming club which will be held at Westbourne House school, 6.30-7.15pm

For all clubs and care bears, you can make your bookings on-line at Schoolmoney.co.uk.

Please contact the school office if you require a reminder of your log-in details.

Places for clubs are limited and will be allocated on 'first come, first served' basis.

Judo Club - Thursday 19th March - additional Judo club in lieu of Thurs 23 January./C

Swimming Club - No Club Tuesday 25th February re London visit or Tuesday 31st March when Westbourne House pool is closed for maintenance. There will be an additional swim session on Tuesday 17th March in preparation for forthcoming galas

Dance Club - Monday 24th February only

Current Useful Information and Reminders:

Thank you to everyone who supported us with donations to the **Chichester District Foodbank**; we are going to continue to have a box in the Reception area to collect any items that you would like to donate and Mrs Jen Rogers has very kindly agreed to make regular deliveries of our goods.

Every Wednesday 3.00-3.15 - Pop in and see your child's classroom and have a look at their work. Teachers will be available every Wednesday for informal chats - do pop in. We would love to have the opportunity to share your child with you.

School Money on-line donations.

We have been asked to set up the facility for people to make donations to the school if they would like to. This is available on Schoolmoney.co.uk and will show on your account as 'School Donation' with the amount of £1. There is absolutely no obligation to make this donation and if you wish, you can alter the figure to select the amount that you would like to pay.

Any donations to the school are very much appreciated and we thank you for your support.

Schoolmoney.co.uk on-line payments enables you to book for trips and clubs etc. and make payments on-line.

Please do log in regularly and check for 'live' visits and events.

Please log-in to your account to make sure any outstanding balances are settled.



PTA News:

If you would like to get involved in the PTA in any way please to contact westdeanpta@outlook.com or contact the school office (office@westdean.w-sussex.sch.uk)

Governing Body News:

For information about our Governing Body, to find out who we are and what we do or how to contact us please email Mrs Pasha Delahunty, Clerk to Governors - pdelahunty@westdean.w-sussex.sch.uk.

Lost Property

Don't forget to check the lost property 'bin', on the pavilion decking, for any items that you might be missing.

Please make sure that school uniform is clearly named to enable us to return clothing that has been found.