



West Dean Church of England Primary School
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Dear Parents and Carers

Our Ofsted report is now finalised and we have shared some of the highlights with the children. This will be sent out later today, along with a letter regarding the inspection.

Our many strengths were noted during the visit and in the report, and we have some useful development points too. Some of our data has been close to average expectations, rather than 'significantly above', for the last couple of years, and this is something we are aware of.

Having an external view on how we can improve this has been useful, and our inspector was very thorough and insightful. This Ofsted inspection was under a very different framework from our 2009 visit, and a new framework will be in place from September 2019: again, you may find it interesting to take a look at the proposals for this. **LINK:** <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/education-inspection-framework-draft-for-consultation>

We are proud of the children and staff, especially for the 'outstanding' personal development, behaviour and welfare. Supportive parents and governors were mentioned throughout. Our 'Early Years' provision' has been highly praised and our school leaders (pretty much all of us!) 'produce far more than the sum of their parts!'

The report is well worth reading and we are already putting plans into place for the future, and breathing a little easier now it is over for a while!

Next week is a busy one, with Maple Class assembly (with our new cordless microphone!) and culminating in the Valentine's Day Community Café: we hope you will be able to join us.

School Events this week: Four children visited Chichester Cathedral with Mrs Chambers on Monday for a literacy afternoon: this was a visit which really got the children thinking! . Thank you to all of our parents for supporting us with trips, visits, clubs and transport. Without your help we wouldn't be able to offer the children such a wide range of opportunities.

E-Safety Week: Mr Alan McKenzie held an e-safety workshop at West Dean with year 6 children from our school, Singleton and Lavant. Events were also hosted on Tuesday at Lancastrian for parents and on Wednesday at Bishop Luffa for staff and governors. There were some very valuable messages for all of us regarding e-safety.

PLEASE do ask our staff for advice and information if you are unsure about this ever

Class Assembly Dates, 8.45:

Tuesday 12th February - Maple Class

Wednesday 27th February - Beech Class

Tuesday 19th March - Chestnut Class

The week ahead..... February 2019

Monday 11th:

9.30-11.30—Super Hero Workshops for Reception, Year 1 and year 2.

Tuesday 12th :

8.45—Maple Class Assembly

Swimming Club—Mrs Goacher & Mrs Johnson

Wednesday 13th:

Thursday 14th:

Westgate swimming for Beech & Chestnut

2.30-3.30—Community Cafe

Friday 15th Feb:

INSET—School Closed

9.00—4.00AAA Coaching sports

HELP PLEASE! We are looking at the possibility of having a **marquee** on the school field for our summer term production. If anyone has any expertise or contacts, or could get us 'mates' rates', please do let us know!

Special learning point — did you know that to find $\frac{1}{4}$, or a quarter, of something, you just divide by 4? (You can halve it and halve it again!) so, how would you find $\frac{1}{8}$ of something?



France Residential Visit - March 4 - 8 2019



Balance Due by Friday 15th February please.

Payment is now available on school money for the France residential visit taking place in March 2019. The total amount is £359 but this can be made in instalments; just select the amount that you wish to pay and the balance will reduce accordingly.

Car Parking -

It has been brought to our attention that car parking is becoming increasingly difficult in The Dean car park. Please could we ask that you exercise caution and etiquette when using this car park. Please make sure that you park in the marked bays and take extra care when entering and exiting the car park, respecting other vehicles.



Parents with children in Reception, with young siblings or with disability are able to use our car park.

Please support us with our road safety logistics and keep everyone safe. If you would like a hi-vis vest, please ask at the office.

Dance House 2019

Our Dance Club have been devising and practising their routine for this year's Dance House event.

The event will be held on Wednesday 27th February at the Alexandra Theatre in Bognor Regis at 7.00pm.

Tickets are available to buy from the Alexandra Theatre Box Office (01243 861010) and on their website: Alexandra Theatre Tickets. Tickets are priced at £10 per adult and £5 per child.

The event is very popular, with lots of schools taking part and would urge you to purchase tickets sooner rather than later if you would like to attend.



Thank you to our parents for your very generous **donations** on schoolmoney.co.uk—together we have raised £367 to date. We are hoping to be able to go ahead with our all weather running track very soon using this funding in addition to some school funds, PTA funds and Sports Premium grant. Look out for

AAA Coaching Dates Available:

Friday 15th February 2019 (Inset)

Monday 15th—Thursday 18th April 2019 (Easter)

Wednesday 3rd July 2019 (Inset)

Monday 22nd—Friday 26th July 2019 (Summer)

Please contact ben@aaacoaching.co.uk for further details and to book places. Please could we ask that places are booked and paid for in advance of the day to enable Ben to plan for appropriate staff cover. We would like to avoid children turning up on the day expecting a place to be available.

Note from Ben Johnson:

I am pleased to say that on Friday 15th February, AAA Coaching will be running a Multi Sports Camp during the Inset Day.

9am-4pm (7 hours of sport) Years R-7 £18 per child

We are also planning to run four days of Multi Sports Camps during the Easter Holidays. Due to a lack of interest the Multi Sports Camps in December was cancelled, therefore if you are interested in your children coming along during the Easter Holidays please let me know before Friday 15th February. If there is a lack of interest the Multi Sports Camps will not run in the Easter Holidays at West Dean and will be moved to Hayling Island.

Monday 15th April - Thursday 18th April

Regards Ben

School Parliament News: Finance & Fundraising

Our 'penny' jar is still in the reception area and we have currently collected £12.65 in small change. Please do keep looking in your pockets for any loose change that you can help to keep our jar full—thank you for your support.

Our Swap Shop is back—see attached letter with news of our new Book Swap Shop, coming soon. Thank you for your donations—keep them coming in.

Don't forget to join The Giving Machine Community Fund and select West Dean as your chosen cause when shopping on-line.

Find out more at www.thegivingmaching.co.uk

Save Our Swimming Pool Campaign

We have discussed the future of the swimming pool with our governors and are committed to providing this super learning opportunity for the foreseeable future. We are now in the process of having work carried out to repair and replace the coping stones around the swimming pool in preparation for opening in the summer term. Thank you to those of you who have 'sponsored' a coping stone, we are currently working on our 'plaque' which will be displayed in the pool area. There are still coping stones available and if you would like to 'sponsor' a stone with your child's name this is available on schoolmoney.co.uk, £25.00.

We are also in need of some 'tlc' and maintenance in the changing rooms; if any one is able to help us with this, please do come into the office and let us know. Thank you for your continued support with this, our current swim squad have been training hard in preparation for their 3 Gala events coming up shortly and thank you to Mrs Goacher and Mrs Johnson for their continued hard work and dedication.



Please note: there are no after school clubs next week. Care Bears will run as usual.

After School Clubs for the second half of the spring term are now live on schoolmoney.co.uk. Places are allocated on a first come first served basis.

Diary Dates 2019

Spring Term 2019: Thursday 3rd January - Friday 5th April

Half Term - Monday 18th February - Friday 22nd February

Summer Term 2019: Tuesday 23rd April - Friday 19th July

Half Term - Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May

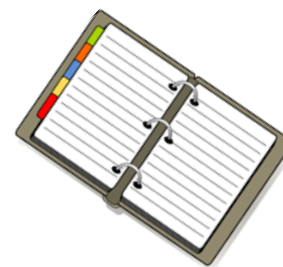
2018/19 INSET days

Friday 15th February 2019

Wednesday 3rd July 2019

Monday 22nd July 2019

Tuesday 23rd July 2019



Monday 11th February , 9.30-11.30 - Superhero Drama Workshop—Year R, 1 & 2

Tuesday 12th February, 8.45 - Maple Class Assembly

Thursday 14th February, 9.30-11.30—Westgate Swimming for Beech and Chestnut

Thursday 14th February, 2.30 - Community Café

Friday 15th February - Inset Day, School Closed - AAA Coaching available

Wednesday 27th February, 8.45 - Beech Class Assembly

Wednesday 27th February, 1.00 - Dance House Rehearsal (performance, 7pm) - Dance Club children

Thursday 28th February, 9.30-11.30—Westgate Swimming for Beech and Chestnut

Thursday 28th February, 1.00 - Christ's Hospital Maths Challenge (x4 Year 4)

Y5/6 residential visit to France - March 4th - 7th 2019

Monday 4th March—Maths Enrichment Day at Chichester Cathedral for selected Year 3

Thursday 7th March - World Book Day—dress as a favourite book character

Tuesday 12th March—David Fuller, author visiting school

Tuesday 12th March, 1.30-3.30 - Sports Partnership 'Future Flyers' (selected children) at Westgate

Wednesday 13th March - ESSA Swim Gala (details to follow)

Thursday 14th March, 9.30-11.30 - GAS 'Little Big Sing' at The March School, Year 2

Thursday 14th March, 9.30—11.30 - Westgate Swimming for Beech and Chestnut

Thursday 14th March, 1.30-3.30 - Sports Partnership Quick Sticks Hockey event at The Regis (selected)

Friday 15th March - GAS STEM Enrichment Day at West Dean

Tuesday 19th March, 8.45—Chestnut Class Assembly

Thursday 21st March, 9.30-11.00—Westgate Swimming for Beech and Chestnut

Friday 22nd March, 1.30-3.30 - Sports Partnership Sportshall Athletics Event for Year 3/4

Saturday 23rd March—Cormorants Swimming Gala (details to follow)

Tuesday 26th March , 3.15—5.00 - Parent Consultation Evening

Wednesday 27th March, 12.00—4.00 - SSP Arun Swimming Gala

Wednesday 27th March, 3.15—6.00—Parent Consultation Evening

Wednesday 27th March, 6.30 - Corporate Challenge in Chichester

Thursday 28th March, 9.30-11.30 - Westgate Swimming for Beech and Chestnut

Wednesday 3rd April, 1.15-2.45 - Rainbow Theatre Company in School, The Easter Story

Thursday 4th April, 9.30-11.30 - Last Westgate Swimming for Beech and Chestnut

Friday 5th April, 1.30-3.30 - Sports Partnership Quad Kids Event at Bishop Luffa

Acorn Awards
Friday 8th February 2019

Katie - for being so confident at speaking in front of the school and parents

Zebby - for his fantastic concentration in reading and thinking carefully about the questions asked

Freddie - for his super piece of non-fiction writing

Evie - for her hard work and perseverance in all parts of school life and especially this week in swimming

Tilly - for excellent mathematical reasoning during her work on division

Lauren - for regularly completing her spelling and targets on time and valuing her home learning

Charlie - for confident and accurate application of rules and 'thinking' to solve fraction calculations



West Dean CE Primary School - Club Hub

After School Clubs
Spring Term 2019

Spring 2
second half of spring term

x4 weeks

Day	Adult Lead	Max	Club	Cost	Year Group
Monday	Mrs G Moss	10	Art	£ 20.00	Yr 1,2,3,4
Tuesday	Mrs Goacher/Mrs Johnson	20	Swim WBH	£ 20.00	Yr 3,4,5,6,
Wednesday	Matt Horstead	10	Football	£ 15.00	Yr 3,4,5,6
	Mrs Muggeridge/Miss Boxall	10	Cookery	£ 20.00	Yr3, 4, 5, 6
Thursday	Miss Hall	14	Dance	£ 20.00	Yr 3,4,5,6
	Mrs Pearmaine	12	Lego	£ 20.00	Yr 3,4,5,6
Friday	AAA Coaching	35	Sports	£ 20.00	1,2,3,4,5,6

Club Dates:

W/C , 25th Feb, 11th March and 18th March and 1st April

No Clubs W/C 4th March as this is Chestnut class French Residential .

No Clubs W/C 25th March as this is Parents' Evening week.

No Football Club on Wednesday 13th March

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.

AAA Coaching will be available on Friday 15th February, which is an Inset day.

During the Easter Holiday : Monday 15th - Thursday 18th April.

To book a place please contact Ben Johson ben@aaacoaching.co.uk

Exciting news: Judo

For the summer term club schedule we will be introducing a new Judo club on Thursday run by Mr Michael Pring. Mr Pring teaches Judo in a number of West Sussex and Hampshire schools currently and previously taught here at West Dean. Children taking part in the club will also have the opportunity to take part in Michael's external community Judo club if they wish to further enhance their expertise.

Look out for further information and details nearer to the summer term. Mr Pring will be coming into school on Friday 5th April to introduce himself to the children and do a little introductory session.



Yoga at West Dean:

We will be introducing our new Yoga club in the Summer term for children in Year 1 and 2. Mrs Plackett will be running this on Friday afternoons—look out for further details shortly.



Care Bears After School Provision - this will run every day from 3.00-4.00.



Please make sure that you have booked for your required places through www.schoolmoney.co.uk. Please make sure that you let us know, if you have booked a place and are collecting your child at 3.00, we are then able to release your Care Bears place to another child.

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)

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.