



# West Dean Church of England Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you all enjoy the lovely weather forecast for the weekend and have a relaxing rest, especially our year six children who will do their SATs tests next week. They have all been working hard and we are really proud of them! We will be doing lots of assessment this week but the school day will run as usual.

Please, please do support the children by coming to join us to share your experience of jobs and careers. The children will only gain a lot from this if we have lots of volunteers. Please ask the teachers for details.

**The next Community Café will be opening on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May from 2.30 to 3.30pm**

This popular event will take place just before half term, once again, thanks to Mrs Prudence and the Chestnut Class children and team.

The children have decided that profits from the Community Café will be given to Education West Africa, a charity set up by ex-West Dean pupil Penelope Sharman (Rosie's grandma!) and her husband. Focusing on one of the poorest areas of Africa, Sierra Leone; their work building schools, providing uniforms and making school furniture not only gives the children of Sierra Leone an education but gives jobs to the local people. Penelope regularly visits our school to give us updates on progress and the class have the opportunity to speak to the children they are helping. The children will get to see exactly where the money is being spent and how it is helping the community. We hope that this will become a long term link between our school and Education West Africa.

Penelope and Rosie are doing a sponsored swim for the charity and would love you to sponsor them - please see Rosie or ask in the office for details. For more info about the charity, please see: [www.educationwestafrica.info](http://www.educationwestafrica.info)

**Please see details below of the Churchill Lollipopers Campaign for schools to receive funding for a Lollipopper - please support us by nominating our school on the website [www.churchill.com/lollipopers](http://www.churchill.com/lollipopers).**

**Problem**

Pedestrian injury is the leading cause of accidental death of children in Great Britain. Lollipopers ensure the safety of children on their school run, but the numbers of lollipopers have been falling year on year.

**Solution**

At Churchill we believe it's important that children can get to school safely so we've launched a fund to put more lollipopers on the streets nationwide.

**Action**

Do you know a school that needs a lollipopper? Nominate your school for a chance to receive funding for a Churchill Lollipopper.

[Download the Child Safety report >](#)

Share the campaign with your friends

<b>Current Useful Information and Reminders</b>	
<b>Clubs</b>	Please note that clubs will NOT be running w/c 23 <sup>rd</sup> May Please could you make sure that all outstanding monies are paid to Mrs Muggeridge as soon as possible.
<b>Parent &amp; Carer Drop-in Sessions</b>	Teachers will be available every Wednesday for informal chats - do pop in to see your child's work, to chat to teachers and to ask about Learning Journals, at these drop-in sessions. <b>Every Wednesday 3.00-3.15</b>
<b>Learning Journals</b>	Please remember to return your Learning Journals in on Monday morning every week.
<b>Maple Class Assembly</b>	Please note that Maple Class Assembly will now be on Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> June.
<b>Clubs and Care Bears</b>	After School Childcare Provision - Please see timetable attached for dates. Care Bears contact telephone number: 07507 327466
<b>Sainsbury's Active Kids</b>	Sainsbury's Active Kids Promotion has now ended in store - please dig deep and find all those coupons lurking in your bag!
<b>Kidzania and Whole School Topic 'Jobs that I do'</b>	This KS2 visit to London will support us with our topic which is all about inspiring children to have aspirations to achieve as adults as well as children! Children will gain valuable insights into the 'jobs' and careers out there for them, and we will use this as a stimulus for writing, maths work and to drive work in other curriculum areas. For our Early years and KS1 children we will have Jack Northeast, a drama student who worked with us on our Fantastic, Elastic brain show, to come in and do some exciting workshops. You will have received our promotional leaflet to see if you would be willing to come into school to run a small hands-on workshop or chat briefly to children about your job/career/role. You may not be keen/able to do this yourself but you may know someone who would be, someone who will inspire our children and who is good at communicating and could bring in some exciting props etc. <b>Please do let us know if you would like to be involved.</b>
<b>Swimming Pool</b> 	We are hoping to have the swimming pool up and running and ready for use following the half term holiday. Please ensure that all children have named swimming kit, in a named bag, in school every day ready to swim. Look out for details of the PTA after school swim sessions and sign up to the rota. We are currently trying to arrange for some Poolside First Aid training - look out for details. The more volunteers we can have to help the better it is for us to arrange and supervise sessions and make the most use of the pool for the children.
<b>Sports Activities</b>	We have lots of opportunities for the children to take part in sports activities during the summer term: Sports Morning - Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> July, 8.45 GAS sports event for selected children - Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> July, 1.00 at Boxgrove Tennis - Mr Justin Pollard (James' dad) has very kindly agreed to run some sessions for Apple class and Chestnut class. GAS Cricket - Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> July for selected children at Boxgrove. Goodwood Racecourse - Year 6 'Racing to School' maths event, Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> May. AAA Coaching will run a sports club on our Inset day - Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> July, 9.00-4.00, we are also planning a 'summer school' with Ben for the first two weeks of the summer holidays - look out for further details.
<b>'Pre-Loved' Uniform</b>	We will be holding a 'pre-loved' uniform sale in the pavilion after school on Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> and Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> May at 3.00. If you have any good quality clothes that your child has outgrown, please do bring them in. Come along and see what we have in stock, all proceeds go to school.
<b>Boots Opticians -</b>	Check your little one's eyesight with a story There's an estimated one million children who can't see clearly which can impact on their development. Make sure nothing holds yours back with our exclusive eye check storybook. Boots have developed Zookeeper Zoe, an interactive story containing a range of eye check activities to read with your child and help you understand if they might need support with their vision. Join the adventure FREE by downloading the eye check storybook available from the App Store and Android App Store.

### *Acorn Awards Friday 6 May 2016*

*Ava* – for super collaboration work with her learning partner, evaluating work

*Daniel* – for being a happy Apple

*Ewan* – for being such a great mathematician when solving problems

*Harry* – for his really hard work on his spellings

*Alessandro* – for being a great team player in PE

*Francesca* – for her hard work learning her spelling words and being conscientious

*Lucas* – for showing a positive and helpful attitude in school when it counts.

## Dates for 2016

Summer Term Monday 11<sup>th</sup> April - Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July

Half Term Holiday Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May - Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June

*Inset Days: Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2016*

W/C 9<sup>th</sup> May - Test Week, Year 2 and Year 6

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May pm - Governor Visits

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> May - Dance House (selected pupils) Alexandra Theatre

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> May - Paul Ulson visit to Beech Class re Egyptians

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May - Governor Training 5.30-7.30

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> May am - Governor Visits

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> May - Year 6 'Racing to School' at Goodwood

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> May - 'Pre-loved' Uniform Sale 3.00

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May - 'Pre-loved' Uniform Sale 3.00

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> May, 10.00 - 2.00 - Grounds Day

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May, 5.30 - 6.30 - PTA Beetle Drive

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May - Community Cafe

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June 8.40am - Di Clack Parent Support Group - **All welcome**  
(even if you haven't attended previous sessions!)

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June - Beech Class Assembly 8.45

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> June - Yellow School Photo's - Classes & Leaver

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> June - Little Big Sing at The March School - Maple Class

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June - Maple Class Assembly 8.45

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June 10.30am - Year 6 Leavers Service at Chichester Cathedral

W/C Monday 20<sup>th</sup> June - Parent Evenings Yr 1, 3, 5 (details tbc)

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> June 1.00-2.45 - 'Jobs that I do' workshops

*Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June - KS2 visit to Kidzania in London - info to follow*

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June - Chestnut Class Assembly 8.45

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 1.00-2.45 - 'Jobs that I do' workshops

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June - Careers Fair - Time tbc

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> June - Apple Class Assembly 8.45

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> June 1.00-2.45 - 'Jobs that I do' workshops

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 12noon - School Fete

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> July 1.30-2.30 - GAS Sports - selected pupils

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July - INSET - school closed (AAA coaching 9.00 - 4.00)

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July - GAS Sports reserve day - selected pupils

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July 9.45-2.30 - Cricket at Boxgrove - selected pupils

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July 9.00am - Sports Morning

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July - Governing Body Meeting

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July - St Andrew's Church, West Dean - Y6 Leavers' Service

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July - 8:45am - End of Year Assembly - all welcome

After School Clubs  
Summer Term 2016

w/c		11.04.16	18.04.16	25.04.16	09.05.16	16.05.16	
Monday	E Wells		Dance	Dance	Dance	Dance	Yr 1-3
Tuesday	SM/JB	Cookery	Cookery	Cookery	Cookery	Cookery	Yr3-6
	S Johnson	Glee Choir	Yr3-6				
Wednesday	David Morris	Tee Ball	Yr 3-6				
	J Boxall	Craft	Craft	Craft	Craft	Craft	Yr 1-3
Thursday	K Prudence	Think Tank	Yr 3-6				
	E Wells		Dance	Dance	Dance	Dance	Yr 4-6
Friday	AAA Coach	Sports	Sports	Sports	Sports	Sports	Yr 1-3

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w/c		06.06.16	13.06.16	27.06.16	04.07.16	11.07.16	
Monday	E Wells	Dance	Dance	Dance	Dance	Dance	Yr 1-3
Tuesday	SM/JB	Cookery	Cookery	Cookery	Cookery	Cookery	Yr3-6
	S Johnson	Glee Choir	Yr3-6				
	S Goacher	Swimming	Swimming	Swimming	Swimming	Swimming	Yr 1-2
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	J Boxall	Craft	Craft	Craft		Craft	Yr 1-3
Thursday	K Prudence	Think Tank	Yr 3-6				
	E Wells	Dance	Dance	Dance	Dance	Dance	Yr 4-6
Friday	AAA Coach	Sports	Sports	Sports	Sports	Sports	Yr 4-6