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We do our best in all we do, with God's love.
'Love one another. As I have loved you, so must you love one another.' **John 13**

Newsletter 30 10.05.24 Our whole school attendance rate has risen again to 95.6% this week. Well done!

Don't forget Rev Sarah's 'Rectors Ramble' which can be found at: <http://thevalleyparish.org/from-the-vicar>

Pupil Parliament Presentation to West Dean Parish Council

Children from our Pupil Parliament were invited to West Dean Parish Council meeting this week to tell them all about life at West Dean School over the past year. They proudly received the commemorative flag for the 80th D-Day celebrations which some of the children will be taking to France with them.



SATs Week — Please keep our Year Six children in your prayers and thoughts, as they sit their Key Stage Two National Curriculum Assessments (SATs) throughout next week. They have worked extremely hard and we are sure they will be brilliant, but let's give them the support they deserve too.



Swimming Pool — Plans are well under way for preparing our swimming pool ready for use after half term. Abbie is busy putting together a rota for Supervisors and helpers for our after school swim slots, 3.00-4.00. We have arranged a poolside first aid training session for anyone who would like to take part in order to be a first aider at any of our sessions. Spaces are limited to max 12 people on this training, please do let us know if you would like a place. Look out for details following soon about our sessions and booking arrangements. Fingers crossed that we have some lovely sunny weather.



Terrific Tennis

Children from Beech Class took part in 'The Road to Eastbourne' Tennis event this week and came a very respectable 3rd out of 8 schools. Well done team.



Please respond to our Academy Conversion Consultation

CHECK YOUR INBOX!

To find out more about what it will mean to become part of an Academy Trust, do come along to one of two meetings on **Monday 13th May (3pm and 5.30pm) in the school hall.**

This meeting will be attended by Mr Williams, members of our governing body and representatives of the leadership team of Bishop Luffa Learning Partnership. It is important that we hear from you about this important development in the life of our school.



Chestnut Tree House Owl Project

Thank you to everyone for working so hard on your owl designs, we had some amazing artwork. We have collated all of the votes and, together with Pupil Parliament, have chosen parts of the designs to create our Owlet. The following children's designs have been used: Willow, Seb, Holly, Zebby, William, India, Beatrix, Humphrey, Bronte, Ava, Finley, Etta, Martha and Lucas. A huge well done to you all for your fabulous design. Look out for details of our 'Big Hoot, Big Reveal' coming soon.

Don't forget, you can donate towards our fundraising for Chestnut Tree House at:

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/westdean-1710949606324?>



SOS—Save our Sunflowers - Plea for egg shells :

Please could you save any egg shells that you may have and bring them in, washed, for our school gardens.

We're trying to keep the slugs at bay and crushed egg shells seem to be a good, environmentally friendly way of doing this.



West Dean Primary sport & activities club

AA COACHING

Football, Hockey, Bowling, Jail Break Dodgeball, Tag Games, Archery, Lego, Bubble Making, Basketball, Hot Wheels, Mini Golf and so much more...

£20 per day

TO BOOK YOUR SPACE, CONTACT BEN JOHNSON
BEN@AAACOACHING.CO.UK

Inset day sessions
9am - 4pm
Monday 22 July and Tuesday 23 July 2024

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WEST DEAN PTA

INDIAN SUPPER CLUB

SATURDAY 22ND JUNE, 7PM
A GLASS OF WINE ON ARRIVAL | 3 COURSE MEAL
£35 PP AVAILABLE ON SCHOOL MONEY

CARDAMUM COOK
TRADITIONAL INDIAN CUISINE

PTA Indian Supper Club

Saturday 22nd June, 7.00pm.

Deepali Stamp will be hosting a PTA event, Indian Supper Club.

This will be in our beautiful school grounds and we are hoping for the perfect, warm summer evening to enjoy the West Dean ambience along with delicious food and a drink on arrival.

Please do come along and join in for a super, social evening with our West Dean community, family and friends. Bookings can be made on schoolmoney.co.uk, as a shop item. All profits will go to the PTA to support our school and our children.

WEST DEAN SCHOOL PRESENTS

MOVIE NIGHT



MOVIE: WONKA

DATE: THURSDAY 23RD MAY

TIME: 3PM - 5PM

£5 PER CHILD

INCLUDES A DRINK, POPCORN AND A SNACK

CHILDREN CAN BRING EITHER A SMALL CUSHION OR BLANKET

PLEASE BOOK BEFORE WEDNESDAY 22ND 12NOON



West Dean CE Primary School
Acorn Awards
Friday 10th May 2024



- Yr R** *Delilah* - for your super subtraction using counters. Well done!
- Yr 1** *Theo W* - for your fantastic poem about the owl in the tree! Well done!
- Yr 2** *Barney G* - for your beautiful owl sketch. You thought about how to make your owl look realistic and added lots of detail. Well done!
- Yr 3** *Miles* - for your imaginative story about the mythical owl. You've included some lovely description.
- Yr 4** *Hetty J* - for your fabulous poster for Chichester Harbour. It was so eye-catching and informative.
- Yr 5** *Matilda* - for stretching your maths brain when learning about shape this week including vertical and horizontal lines of symmetry. Well done!
- Yr 6** *Humphrey* - for really applying yourself and working hard in every situation, in and out of the classroom and with any grown up or peer!



Diary Dates 2024



2023/24 INSET Days

Monday 22nd & Tuesday 23rd July 2024



Summer Term 2024 - Monday 15th April - Friday 19th July 2024

Half Term 27th May—31st May 2024

Monday 13th May	3.00-4.00/5.30-6.30 Bishop Luffa Academy Consultation Meeting
Wednesday 15th May	Beech Class visit to Dell-Quay
Wednesday 15th May	Apple and Maple Class visit to West Dean Gardens
Thursday 16th May	Maple Class visit to Weald & Downland Museum
Thursday 16th May	5.30, FGB Meeting
Monday 20th May	1.00-3.00, Poolside First Aid Training (contact Office or Abbie to book)
W/C 20.05.24	Chestnut Class Residential Visit to France Mr Williams in attendance (Tues/Wed/Th/Fri)
Wednesday 21st May	12.45—3.45, SSP Tri-Golf Year 3/4
Thursday 23rd May	PTA Movie Night—details attached
Tuesday 4th June	Hugo Van Driel Assembly
Wednesday 5th June	1.30-3.30 SSP Quad Kids Yr 5/6 (details to follow)
Thursday 6th June	D-Day 80th Commemoration
Friday 7th June	Foodbank Friday
Monday 10th June	Yellow School Photographs, Classes and Year 6 Leavers
Friday 14th June	Sports Afternoon followed by PTA Olympic themed event (details to follow)
Wednesday 19th June	2.00-2.45, New Entrants Day 1 Stay & Play
Saturday 22nd June	7.00, PTA Indian Supper Club
Monday 24th June	1.15, Year 6 Leavers' Service, Chichester Cathedral
Wednesday 26th June	1.30-2.30, New Entrants Day 2, Parents meet The Team
Thursday 27th June	GAS Sports at Boxgrove (Details to follow)
Thursday 27th June	Beech Class Big Camp (details to follow)
Monday 1st July	Apple Class visit to Lordington Lavender
Tuesday 2nd July	Maple Class visit to Lordington Lavender
Wednesday 3rd July	1.30-2.30, New Entrants Day 3, Drop and Go
Thursday 4th July	Chichester Library Summer Reading Challenge Assembly
Thursday 4th July	5.30, Full Governing Body Meeting
Monday 8th July	Paris Olympics Showcase Exhibition (details to follow)
Tuesday 9th July	Hugo Van Driel Assembly
Friday 12th July	Foodbank Friday
Wednesday 17th July	End of Term Disco (details to follow)
Thursday 18th July	2.30, Pre-School Leavers' Festival
Monday 22nd July	9.00—4.00, AAA Coaching (School closed, Inset)