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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 32 24.05.24 Our whole school attendance rate is 94.6% this week. Well done!

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

Swimming Pool

Plans have been 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 had arranged a poolside first aid training session, thank you to everyone who came along.



It is crucial that we have enough helpers who are first aid trained to help us cover all of our after school swimming sessions. Each session must have a first aider and a supervisor, without this we cannot open the pool for the children after school. Please do help if you can.

Booking can be made on schoolmoney.co.uk, places are limited to 12 per session each day, £3.50 per child. Parents/carers must remain with their children during afterschool swim sessions.

The swimming pool is ready for us to use after half term, weather permitting. The children will have the opportunity to swim every day so will need to have a named swimming kit and towel in a named bag in school.

We do have some spare towels and costumes but we are also in need if you have any outgrown clothing that you could donate.

Please ensure that your child has sun cream applied in the morning, before they come into school and a hat.

We are really hoping for lots of warm, sunny days so that we can make the most of our lovely pool.

Thank you to everyone who helps and supports with this in any way.

Music Showcase Assembly



Lots of children took part in Mrs Anstee's music showcase assembly yesterday. We have some really promising musicians among us, well done!

SUMMER 2 CLUBS

Our **club timetable** is attached with our after school provision for the last half of the summer term. Booking is now live on Schoolmoney.co.uk



SSP Tri-Golf Event at Chichester Golf Club.

Miss Evans took 10 children from Beech Class to Chichester Golf Club this week to take part in the SSP Tri-Golf event.

This event consists of 8 different stations that the children rotate around to experience and target different golf skills.

What a fantastic team, they won 3rd place in the competition!



Chestnut Class set sail to France on Tuesday for their residential visit in Normandy. Look out for further information and photographs of their trip, coming soon





Please respond to our Academy Conversion Consultation

CHECK YOUR INBOX! Thank you to those parents who came along to our two meetings on **Monday 13th May**. We appreciate your engagement in this important process.

The meeting was attended by Mr Williams, members of our governing body and representatives of the leadership team of Bishop Luffa Learning Partnership and was a good opportunity for those present to receive information and ask questions. It is important that we hear from you about this important development in the life of our school, and there is still time. Our consultation period runs until **6th June**. Please respond using the online form that you have been emailed.

Chestnut Tree House Owl Project

Thank you to **Ruth Roberts** and **Karen Katon-Oprey** who have been in school helping the children to paint and decorate our owl this week. It is looking fabulous and we cannot wait to see it on the art trail.

Don't forget, the purpose of the project is to raise funds to support the incredibly valuable work of Chestnut Tree House children's Hospice. You can make a donation on our JustGiving page at:

https://www.justgiving.com/page/westdean-1710949606324?utm_medium=fundraising&utm_content=page%2Fwestdean-1710949606324&utm_source=copyLink&utm_campaign=pfp-share



PTA Indian Supper Club

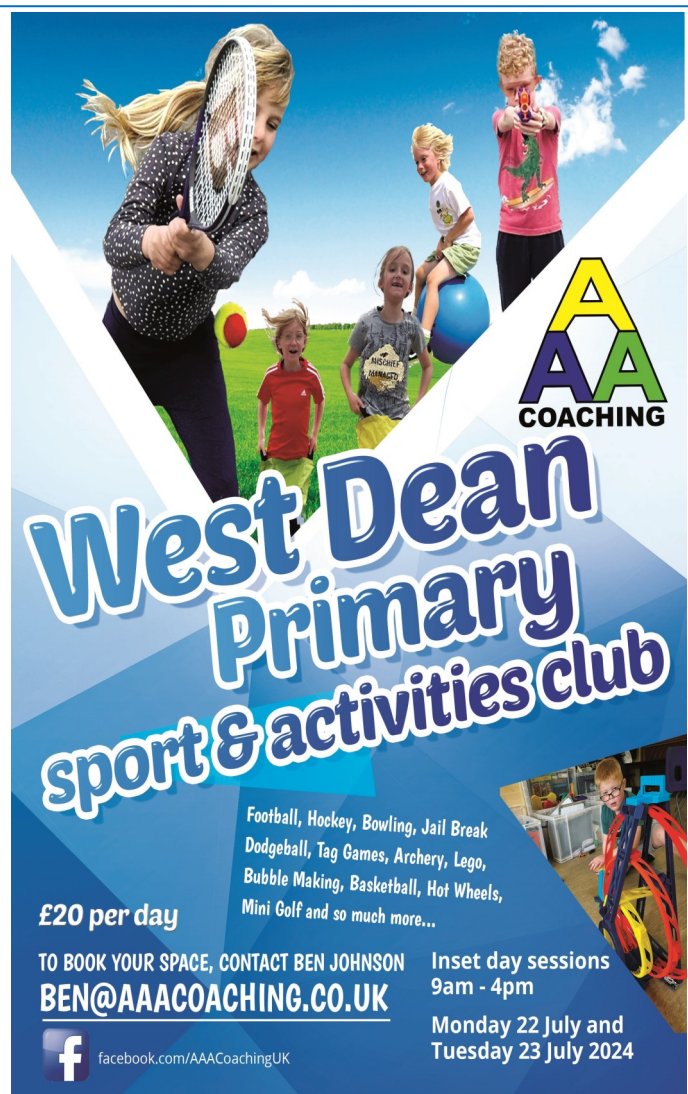
Saturday 22nd June, 7.00pm.

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.

The deadline for booking is Friday 7th June. Please do book in, without your support this event will not go ahead and we will not be able to raise valuable funds for your children in our school.



AA COACHING

West Dean Primary Sport & Activities Club

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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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.





Sports Sizzler

Friday 14th June

The children's sports event will be during the afternoon and the Sizzler will start at the end of the school day.

- ◆ **Parisian Olympic Bake-Off — £2 per entry on School Money from 24-05-24 (please remember your entry will be sold to raise funds after the judging)**
- ◆ **Bottle & Teddy Tombola**
- ◆ **Stalls & Games**
- ◆ **BBQ & Bar**

Please come along, join the fun and support West Dean PTA

Olympic Rings Dress-Down Friday 7th June

In order to gather items for the Sizzler, children are invited to wear their own non-uniform clothes on 7th June in exchange for a non-perishable item such as toiletries or any type of bottle (soft or alcoholic) as donations for the tombola stalls. Each Class will be designated a colour and your donation should correspond to this colour (more details coming soon).



West Dean CE Primary School
Acorn Awards
Friday 24th May 2024



- Yr R** *Hugo-Y* - for your kindness and support you give to others.
- Yr 1** *Jack* - for your brilliant teamwork in PE lessons and AAA last week. Well done!
- Yr 2** *Matilda* - for the hard work you put into making your family tree. Well done!
- Yr 3** *Ned* - for the fantastic recount you wrote of our trip to Chichester Harbour. Your joined up handwriting was wonderful!
- Yr 4** *Amelie* - for the huge effort you've made to learn all your times tables! We are thrilled you've 'gone green'!
- Yr 5 &**
- Yr 6** *Ollie, Harry, Matilda, Poppy and Isaac*
For your brilliant help with all the children this week, super stars!
- Yr 5 &**
- Yr 6** for an amazing residential visit in France this week. Tres bien!



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

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	Olympic Ring Dress Down Day (donate a tombola prize)
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 (book on schoolmoney.co.uk, deadline 7th June.) If we don't have enough bookings this event will not go ahead.
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 Yr 4 Big Camp &
Friday 28th June	Yr 3 Adventure Days
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
Tuesday 16th July	Leavers' Service in school (details tbc)
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)
Tuesday 23rd July	9.00—4.00, AAA Coaching (School closed, Inset)