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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

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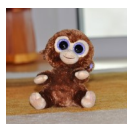
Don't forget Rev Sarah's 'Rectors Ramble' which can be found at: <http://thevalleyparish.org/from-the-vicar>



Mr Williams has arrived safely in Mexico and is staying at Edward James' house, which is now a hotel. He is communicating with us on Google Classroom and has sent lots of photos.

Do drop into Google Classroom and have a look.

Class Code: v2ghe7a



Chestnut Class Pre-Loved Toy Sale.

If you're thinking of having a clear out over half term, please keep any toys that are in good condition. Chestnut Class are hoping to raise money by holding a pre-loved toy sale, and we need your toys!

Beech Class visit to Novium Museum, Tuesday 17th October

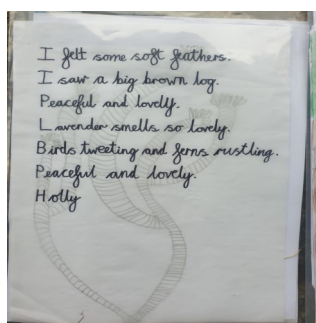
Beech Class children were blessed with beautiful sunshine for their trip. They learnt more about Pirates and Smugglers and even got to visit the Guildhall where the infamous smuggling Hawkhurst Gang were sentenced. After an alfresco lunch, they walked The Walls Walk, taking in the sights of Chichester.



GAS Enrichment Days—Wednesday 18th October

Maths at The March School—four children from Chestnut Class took part in a morning of problem solving in maths, with children from other GAS schools.

Literacy at West Dean Gardens, led by Mrs Plackett and Mrs Pinnington. Two children from Year 2 from each GAS school enjoyed nature bathing and poetry writing in West Dean Gardens and Arboretum.



Packed Lunches:

If your child brings a packed lunch to school, please could you ensure that they have a drink with them.

If your child has a yoghurt, it would be really helpful if they could have a small spoon too please.

Thank you for your help, all these little things help us to make lunch times a happier experience for the children.



Flu Vaccination Programme

Information has been sent out regarding the Flu Vaccination Programme which will take place in school on Tuesday 21st November.

You still have time to sign up if you wish your child to receive the vaccination. The deadline is Friday 10th November

On Thursday we held our first Music Showcase Assembly, led by Mrs Anstee.

A huge well done to George, Hettie and Khloe, our brave and talented musicians, who all performed and played their instruments beautifully.

What a lot of talent we have at West Dean!



Apple Class Business Enterprise

Apple Class raised an incredible £173.60 at their Dinosaur Museum and bake sale last week.

Thank you to everyone who came along and supported them. The money raised will go towards a new woodland animal rug for their classroom, which has been ordered.





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Acorn Awards

Friday 20th October



- Yr R** **Rory** - for your brilliant climbing and hanging from the monkey bars in gymnastics. Well done!
- Yr 1** **Jack** - for your fantastic reading and writing! You have grown in confidence and are focused in your learning. Well done!
- Yr 2** **Matilda** - for your brilliant use of time connectives and imperative verbs in our space rock instruction writing.
- Yr 3** **Casper** - for your brilliant adaptation to using your left hand. You have shown super resilience this week!
- Yr 4** **Amelie** - for being a wonderfully supportive and kind friend.
- Yr 5** **Ollie** - for being a marvellous mathematician and showing great understanding of prime, square and cube numbers, well done!
- Yr 6** **Ewan** - for fantastic homework. It is a true example of a 'WAGOLL' and you should be very proud of the high standards and expectations you are setting yourself. What a great Year 6 role model.



Diary Dates 2023/24



2023/24 INSET Days

Friday 1st September 2023

Tuesday 2nd January 2024

Monday 19th February 2024

Monday 22nd & Tuesday 23rd July 2024

Autumn Term 2023 - Monday 4th September - Friday 15th December 2023

Spring Term 2024 - Wednesday 3rd January - Thursday 28th March 2024

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

Tuesday 31st October	Hugo Van Driel Assembly
Tuesday 31st October	Chestnut Class visit to Natural History Museum
Tuesday 7th November	Yellow School Photographs, Individual and Sibling
Tuesday 7th November`	1.00-3.30, SSP Mixed Football, Chi Uni, (Selected Year 3/4)
Friday 10th November	8.45, Remembrance Assembly
Tuesday 14th November	1.00-3.30, SSP Girls Football, Chi Uni, Year 5/6
Tuesday 14th November	Parents' Evening
Wednesday 15th November	Parents' Evening
Thursday 16th November	8.45, Beech Class Assembly
Friday 17th November	Children in Need
Tuesday 21st November	Flu Vaccination programme in school
Thursday 23rd November	1.00-3.30, SSP Small School Football (Yr 5/6)
Friday 24th November	Food Bank Friday
Tuesday 28th November	Hugo Van Driel Assembly
Thursday 30th November	8.45, Chestnut Class Assembly
Thursday 30th November	Full Governing Body Meeting
Friday 1st December	8.45, Christingle Collective Worship
Wednesday 6th December	KS1 Christmas Production—The Landlord's Cat (details to follow)
Wednesday 6th December	1.00-3.30, SSP Sportshall Athletics at Bishop Luffa—Chestnut Class
Tuesday 12th December	Whole School visit to West Dean College
Tuesday 6th December	6pm, Carol Service at West Dean Church
Wednesday 13th December	Chartwells Christmas Lunch
Thursday 14th December	PTA Disco KS1, 5-6.30, KS2, 5.30-7