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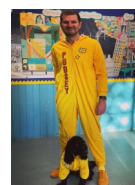
Don't forget Rev Sarah's 'Rectors Ramble' which can be found at: <http://thevalleyparish.org/from-the-vicar>

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

Please be advised if you have **NOT** yet placed your school photograph order and wish to do so, the order **closing date is Tuesday 28 November.**



Please visit www.smileYellow.com using the passwords on the proof card.



BBC Children in Need

Thank you to everyone who was 'Spotacular' in support of Children in Need last week.

So far we have raised an amazing £183 Thank you!

Please take care on the roads in and around West Dean



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A word of warning for anyone travelling along the A286 towards Lavant. Just past the turning to Town Lane, heading towards West Dean gardens, there is a large pothole.

We needed AA assistance as it burst our front passenger side tyre and has damaged the alloy wheel.

The AA mechanic advised ours was the third call out for this pothole today!

I have reported it online, but who knows if/when it may get fixed.



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Fire, Fire, Pour on water, Pour on water!

Maple Class enjoyed a very exciting visit from a team of firefighters from Chichester Fire Station on Wednesday.

The visitors were very impressed by the children's knowledge and the quality of their questions. The firefighters explained all about the various technical tools that they have in the fire engine, to help them with the various types of rescue that they do.

Our school field got a thorough watering, as the children (and possibly not so young children too) got to try out the hose.

Many thanks to West Sussex Fire & Rescue—Chichester, for taking the time out to visit us and enrich the children's learning about fire.



Thank you for your support of and respect for the guidelines around use of The Selsey Arms car park.

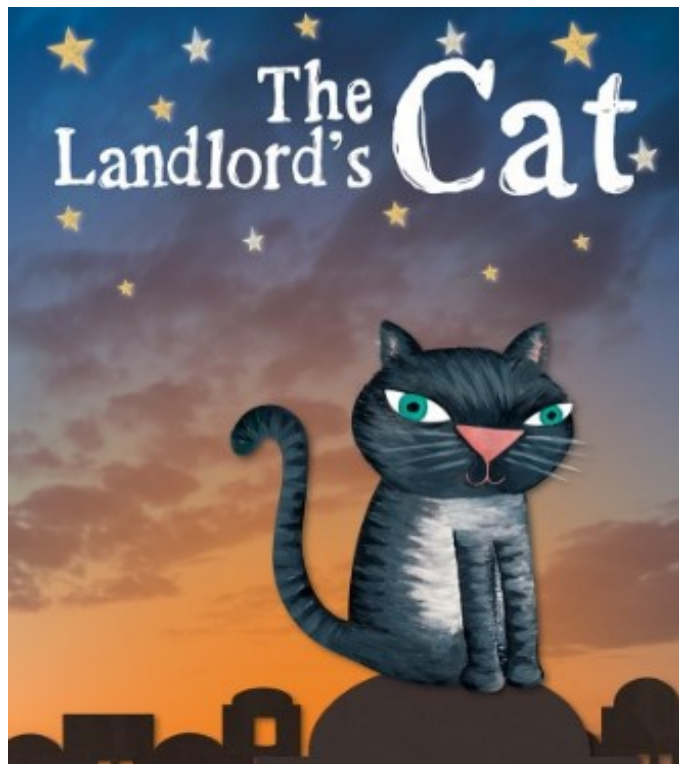
Unfortunately, there is a very small number of car park users on the school site, who, despite repeated polite reminders, are not adhering to the terms of use.

I do not wish to engage in negative conversation with specific families in order to enforce our car park guidelines, nor do I think I should need to, as our rules are quite simple:

- 1) At drop-off and pick up time, the school car park is for families of **Apple and Maple Class ONLY**.
- 2) Please enter the car park at a **LOW** and **SAFE** speed. Young **children** are present in the car park!
- 3) Children should **NOT CROSS** the car park alone—they **MUST** be accompanied by an adult.
- 4) The parking space marked for **disabled users** is for those users **ONLY**. It is **NOT** a convenient space for those arriving late.

I believe that my role as headteacher is to positively engage with families at drop-off and pick-up time, rather than police our car park. I also believe that our rules are clear.

For everyone's safety, please respect them, as the vast majority do.



The Landlord's Cat

Tickets will go on sale on Monday 27th November, for our KS1 production of The Landlord's Cat.

Apple and Maple classes have been busy rehearsing and perfecting their lines and singing, preparing for the show. Please note that tickets are limited, initially, to two per family, per performance.

Available as a shop item on schoolmoney.co.uk.

SSP Small School Football Event

Our Year 5 and 6 boys footballers headed off to the West Sussex West SSP Small Schools tournament in Bognor Regis on Thursday. They all played brilliantly, showing tremendous teamwork and some impressive skills. An exciting and very fast-paced afternoon was enjoyed by all. Well done team!



Children's Church, Sunday 26th November @ 11am, St Andrew's West Dean

'Stir up the gift of God which is in you' 2 Timothy Chapter 1, verse 6. Join us on Sunday for a joyful children's service in which we will stir together the ingredients to create a Christmas Pudding for Stir Up Sunday as we begin to get ready for Christmas and reflect on how to make our world a better place. (Coffee and cake available before the service)



Chartwells Christmas Lunch

Just a reminder that the **closing date** for ordering your child's Christmas Lunch is **Thursday 30th November**.

Orders can be made via **Parent Pay**.

Chestnut Class Pre-Loved Toy Sale.

Thank you to everyone who supported us with our pre-loved toy sale. We hope that you found something new and exciting to play with. Our Pre-loved Toy Shop will be open again next week and we hope to raise an amazing amount of money. If you don't have cash, donations can be made on schoolmoney.co.uk. **Thank you for supporting us.**



Foodbank Friday 24th November



Thank you to everyone who supported our second 'Food Bank Friday' today. This is an opportunity for us all to support Chichester Food Bank, a project founded by local churches and community groups, working together towards stopping hunger in our local area. Your help is always greatly appreciated — **Thank you for your support.**

HEAD LICE

We have had some incidents of head lice in school this week. Please could we ask that you be vigilant and check your child's hair, using recommended treatment where necessary.

Thank you for your co-operation.





West Dean CE Primary School
Acorn Awards
Friday 24th November 2023



- Yr R Margot** - for your really hard work in phonics and for blending your sounds. Well done!
- Yr 1 Freddie** - for your safe use of tools in Forest School and your brilliant teamwork making a flag. Well done!
- Yr 2 Todd** - for your fantastic etched phoenix artwork. You were incredibly focussed and added brilliant detail. Well done!
- Yr 3 Teddy** - for the way you approached our science investigation. You had fantastic ideas about how to explore the effect of friction outside using natural materials.
- Yr 5 Blaise** - for working hard and being ready to learn. You listen carefully to instructions and then manage your learning independently—a super role model.
- Yr 6 Mason** - for an amazing, original design of your creature with clear adaptations of how it has evolved, well done.



Diary Dates 2023/24



2023/24 INSET Days

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

Monday 27th November	Bookfest Author, Jenny McLachlan, in Beech and Chestnut
Tuesday 28th November	Hugo Van Driel Collective Worship
Wednesday 29th November	2.30, Maple Class Showcase
Thursday 30th November	8.45, Chestnut Class Showcase
Thursday 30th November	Full Governing Body Meeting
Friday 1st December	8.45, Christingle Service
Monday 4th December	7pm—9pm, PTA Wreath Making Evening
Tuesday 5th December	2.00—2.45, Mrs Anstee, Miss Evans and Choir to Marriott House for Carols
Wednesday 6th December	9am & 2pm, KS1 Christmas Production—The Landlord's Cat
Wednesday 6th December	1.00-3.30, SSP Sportshall Athletics at Bishop Luffa—Chestnut Class
Thursday 7th December	9.45, Bishop Luffa Worship
Thursday 7th December	Christian Youth Enterprises (CYE) 'Panto'
Thursday 7th December	3.30, PTA Christmas Carols and Cake Sale (details to follow)
Tuesday 12th December	Whole School visit to West Dean College
Tuesday 12th December	6pm, Carol Service at West Dean Church
Wednesday 13th December	Chartwells Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day
Thursday 14th December	PTA Disco KS1, 5-6.30, KS2, 5.30-7
Tuesday 2nd January	School closed for Inset

Clinic information for missed Flu vaccination

Dear Parents and Guardians,

The Immunisation Service have recently attended your school for the Flu vaccinations.

If you have already completed a form and your child wasn't vaccinated in school, you will have received a separate email with clinic booking instructions and do not need to complete another form. Please refer to the 'How do I book an appointment for my child to be vaccinated' section in this email.

If you did not return a consent form, but would like your child to receive this vaccination, it's not too late. Please see guidance below on how to complete an online consent form, which will re-open one working day after the school visit, and subsequently book an appointment.

How do I consent / refuse to my child having these vaccinations?

Visit the following web address: <https://www.susseximmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu>

Enter and confirm your preferred email address – *you will receive a confirmation email following submission of the consent form.*

Enter the school code: SX126004

Complete and submit the consent form, indicating your choice of consent - *Please ensure you provide the child's registered address and GP.*

Book an appointment by following the steps below.

How do I book an appointment for my child to be vaccinated?

Follow this link: <https://www.susseximmunisations.co.uk/clinicbooking/booking> to book an appointment at one of our Community Catch up Clinics, for your child to receive the vaccination(s) – *You will require your booking reference number which can be found within the email you receive(d) from Cinnamon once your consent form has/had been submitted.*

Arrange for an adult to accompany your child to their clinic appointment.

If you are unable to complete the online form, wish to change your consent or have any trouble booking an appointment, please contact your local Immunisation Team on the appropriate telephone number below:

Speak to a member of the Immunisation Service by calling your local team on 01273 696011:

Brighton
Ext. 3789

Chichester
Ext. 8100

Crawley
Ext. 2043

Heathfield
Ext. 2080

Uckfield
Ext. 4931

Worthing
Ext. 8533

Many Thanks

Sent on behalf of the Vaccination Programme Coordinator, Sussex Immunisation Service (SIS)
Sussex Community NHS Foundation Trust (SCFT)

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