

**WESTERN ROAD C.P.SCHOOL**

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Red Nose Day

Thank you to all those who were able to support our Red Nose Day on Friday by bringing in your change and making a very generous contribution to the charity. The 'red nose hoops' raised an impressive £342.81. Thank you also to all those who came to support the cake sale after school, particularly those children and parents who ran stalls to sell baked goods. The cake sale raised £181.20 giving a combined amount of £524.01 and the money will make a real difference to many families in need. Thank you.



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Easter Egg Hunt

Our thanks to FOWR for providing the children with chocolate treats following a very successful egg hunt (ping pong balls!) in the sunshine! It was a lovely way to celebrate the end of the term before the Easter holidays.



SENCO Support

Unfortunately Mrs Anderson has had a minor accident and hurt her shoulder. She has had to have an operation and will require a lengthy period of convalescence. I'm sure you will want to join me in wishing her a speedy recovery. Whilst she is away, I'm pleased to say that Mrs Sarah Reeves, an experienced SENCO who works in a number of Lewes primary schools, will be providing our SENCO support. She will be working on Tuesdays and Wednesday and is very happy to see parents on these days. If you would like to discuss your child's special needs provision with Mrs Reeves, please contact the school on 01273 473013 or email senco@westernroad.e-sussex.sch.uk.

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Information Evenings for Year One Phonics Check and Year Two SATS

Please see dates below for information evenings for Year One Phonics and Year Two SATS. At these meetings teachers will share key information and answer any questions about these statutory assessments. During the Phonics meeting, Year One children are welcome to wait with Mr Paterson in the Year Two classroom, and similarly during the Year Two SATS meeting, Year Two children are welcome to wait with Miss Mackinnon in the Year One classroom.

Update from Friends of Western Road AGM

FOWR held their AGM on the 16th March, thank you to everyone who came. Your support is greatly appreciated. We have had an excellent year with very successful fundraising events (Halloween Disco, the Christmas Fair, and the hugely successful Artists and Makers Fair – thank you to everyone involved). Thanks also go to everyone who has volunteered or supported in some way over the year, as parents, carers, staff, governors or even grandparents. As a result, FOWR were able to support the school and contribute towards some fantastic things such as: the new interactive white boards, the yoga sessions, new outside equipment for Reception Class and the exciting school trips each class have been enjoying.

We are pleased to announce that **Sarah Hamblin** and **Jacindy Cartland** are now the new joint chairs of FOWR taking over from Laura Keer who has stepped down having dedicated the last 3.5 years to the role! We would like to say a big well done and thank you to Laura for all her hard work and achievement during that time, she has done a brilliant job. We are pleased to say Laura will still be on the committee alongside Ali Harris (treasurer), Charlotte Hasan (secretary), Cris Winter, Matthew Montebello and Anna Leatherdale. Sarah and Jacindy look forward to supporting the committee through another successful year.

Yoga for Term Five

Next term we are pleased to offer Yoga to Year One and Year Six on Tuesday mornings at 9.10am and 9.50am. The children are welcome to come into school wearing loose clothing – their PE kits are ideal – and have their uniforms ready to change into after the sessions. Reception and Year Five will have their Yoga sessions on Friday mornings and may also come to school in their PE kits and change into their uniforms afterwards.

Swimming for Terms Five and Six

Next term Years Three and Four will begin their swimming lessons at Lewes Leisure Centre on Mondays – the first session will be Monday, 24th April. Year Three will swim from 9.00 – 9.30 and Year Four will swim 9.30 – 10.00. A separate letter has been sent out those particular year groups.

After-School Clubs for Terms Five and Six

We are pleased to offer the following clubs for the rest of the academic year:

Mondays	Key Stage Two Choir Club run by Miss Hoare (see Choir letter/Miss Hoare)
Tuesdays	Years One to Six Gymnastics/Dance Club (run by Poppy from Premier Sports, bookable through their website)
Wednesdays	Years Four, Five and Six Netball Club run by Linda Goode (see letter from Inspire Sports)
Thursdays	Years One to Six Football Club (run by James from Premier Sports, bookable through their website)
	Years Five and Six Coding Club (run by Western Road and Southover staff at Southover School, see Coding Club letter)

And finally, we would like to wish all our families a happy and restful Easter break. We look forward to seeing the children back at school on Tuesday, 19th April (Monday, 18th April is a Bank Holiday).

News from Silver Birch Class

The children are enjoying guessing and describing the items in the boxes and trying to guess which food they are eating as part of our Science Week experiments.

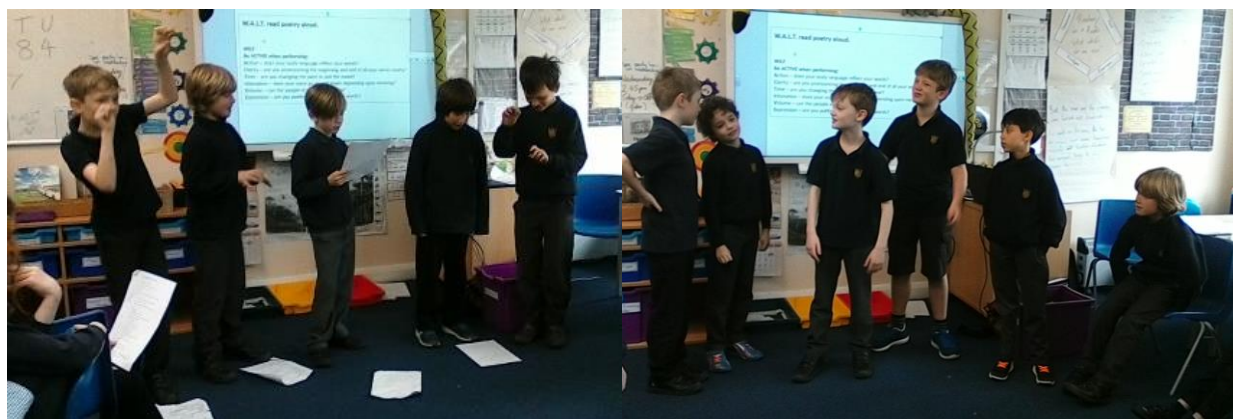
News from Larch Class

We have started an exciting new experiment to test what a plant needs in order to grow well. We are hoping to see some beans sprouting soon!



News from Willow Class

This week, in Year 4, we have been performing poetry to the class. The children used their voices, expression and movement to bring poetry to life and create some amazing performances.



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News from Elder and Oak Classes

Elder and Oak classes were treated to an afternoon of dance coaching on Monday, 26th March. The children were taught various moves and sequences which were put to music, culminating in some fantastic performances by all.



Celebration Assembly

Congratulations to the following children for receiving the Head Teacher's certificate and cup this week:



Clay, Mintra, Paige and Agatha

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Oscar, Harvey, Elieh and Harry



Noah, Lucia, Aisha and Isobel



Tiegan and Moses

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Key Dates

Assembly and Newsletter Times and Dates

Please note the dates for Headteacher Assemblies have had to change this year to accommodate Class Assemblies to parents and yoga on Fridays. Please see below the Fridays on which these assemblies will take place.

Year Two Assembly to parents	Friday, 31 st March, 2.30pm in Hall
Newsletter	Friday, 31 st March

Headteacher Assembly	Friday, 28 th April, 3.00pm in Hall
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Newsletter	Friday, 5 th May
Headteacher Assembly	Friday, 12 th May, 3.00pm in Hall
Newsletter	Friday, 19 th May
Year One Assembly to parents	Friday, 19 th May, 2.30pm in Hall

Reception Assembly to parents	Friday, 9 th June, 2.30pm in Hall
Headteacher Assembly	Friday, 16 th June, 3.00pm in Hall
Newsletter	Friday, 23 rd June
Headteacher Assembly	Friday, 30 th June, 3.00pm in Hall

Newsletter	Friday, 7 th July
Final Headteacher Assembly	Friday, 14 th July, 3.00pm in Hall

Term 4

End of Term 4	Friday, 31 st March
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Term 5

Bank Holiday	Monday, 17 th April
Start of Term 5	Tuesday, 18 th April
Year One Phonics meetings	Tuesday, 18 th April, 3.30pm in Year One classroom
Year Three trip to the Globe	Tuesday, 18 th April
Year Five trip to Herstmonceux Science	Thursday, 20 th April
Year Two SATS meeting	Thursday, 20 th April, 3.30pm in Year Two classroom
May Day Bank Holiday	Monday, 1 st May
SATS Week	8 th May to 12 th May
Year Six trip to Brighton Bowlplex	Friday, 12 th May
PGL Week (Year Six)	15 th May to 19 th May
Year Six trip to Newhaven Fort	Thursday, 25 th May (Safety In Action)
Final Inset Day (end of Term 5)	Friday 26 th May

Term 6

Start of Term 6	Monday, 5 th June
Maths Week	19 th June to 23 rd June
Healthy Eating Week	3 rd July to 7 th July
Year Six play	Thursday, 13 th July, 7pm in Hall
End-of-year reports go home	Friday, 14 th July
Open Classrooms	Monday, 17 th July, 3.30pm – 4.30pm informal drop-ins
Sports Day	Tuesday, 18 th July (children can go home after noon register)
Year Six Graduation	Wednesday, 19 th July, 6pm in Hall
End of Term 6	Friday, 21 st July (after ice-cream van)