



**WESTERN ROAD C.P.SCHOOL**

Southover High Street  
Lewes, East Sussex BN7 1JB  
Telephone: 01273 473013 Fax: 01273 470233  
Headteacher: Matthew Montebello

<http://www.westernroad.e-sussex.sch.uk>

**Newsletter — Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> January Issue No: 8**

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back and a very Happy New Year to all our families. I hope you all had a restful break. Staff began this term with joint INSET training with Iford and Kingston school. The training centred around developing a range of strategies to continue to improve children's writing and all staff found it very helpful.

The children have made an excellent start to this year and below are some pictures of the children hard at work.

We would like to welcome Solaf in Year One, Henry in Year Two, Sholto in Year Three and Arthur and Alfie in Year Six. They have all made a great start this term.

### **News from Silver Birch**

Silver Birch Class have been really enjoying their gymnastics lessons with their specialist sports teacher. They also had an amazing learning experience when Lewes Fire Brigade came to visit.



### **News from Elm Class**

In Elm Class, we have using actions to help us learn the story 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt'. Now we know the story by heart!



**Safe-Guarding Children at Western Road Community Primary School:** At Western Road Community Primary, all staff take safeguarding children very seriously. All staff have been trained in Safeguarding and Child Protection. If you have any concerns about a child's well-being, bullying or e-safety, please contact the Designated Teachers for Child Protection: **Mr Montebello, Mr Paterson and Mrs Wooler.**

### News from Cherry Class

In Year Two, the children have designed and created animal masks and have begun to learn the techniques of weaving. Weaving natural materials will be an important element in the construction of animal story boxes later in the term.



### News from Larch Class

Year Three started off their new topic of Vikings and Anglo-Saxons by preparing for battle. When we heard the invaders were coming, we designed patterns to paint on our faces with 'woad' or war paint to scare them away! Don't we look a force to be reckoned with?



### News from Willow Class

In the Year Four Assembly to parents this term, children shared their learning about India.



**Safe-Guarding Children at Western Road Community Primary School:** At Western Road Community Primary, all staff take safeguarding children very seriously. All staff have been trained in Safeguarding and Child Protection. If you have any concerns about a child's well-being, bullying or e-safety, please contact the Designated Teachers for Child Protection: **Mr Montebello, Mr Paterson and Mrs Wooler.**

### **News from Oak Class**

This term, Year Six are learning about human body. We made 'blood smoothies' to help understand each part of the blood and their functions. Year Six also had training about Sports Leaders this week from Sara Riley – they must now decide if they will complete the application forms to be considered!



### **In case of school closure**

Although we will endeavour to keep the school open there may be some circumstances, if the weather is extremely adverse, where we may need to close the school if keeping it open posed a health and safety risk to children and adults. In the unlikely event of school closure all parents/carers will be informed by text and email, a message will be posted on our website, the Local Authority will be informed and they will inform the local radio stations. We will try to do this as early in the day as possible.

In the event of having to close the school during the day, all parents/carers will be informed by text and email and asked to collect their children early if possible.

### **Poppy Appeal**

I'm sure you will want to know that last year's Poppy Appeal raised a fantastic amount of £332.52. The Royal British Legion would like to thank our school community for this very generous contribution.

### **Message to Year Six Parents from Parent Forum**

Your Parents' Forum representatives are Robyn Adams and Beth Miller. We know that we don't have all your email addresses, so please can you email Beth on [bethmillerwrites@gmail.com](mailto:bethmillerwrites@gmail.com) with yours, so that you don't miss out on important news and information? Many thanks.

## Celebration Assembly

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



Bea, Alex, Reyad and Cindy



Anwyn, Emmanuelle, Sylvie and Agnes



Holly, Freya, Rianna and Arthur

**Safe-Guarding Children at Western Road Community Primary School:** At Western Road Community Primary, all staff take safeguarding children very seriously. All staff have been trained in Safeguarding and Child Protection. If you have any concerns about a child's well-being, bullying or e-safety, please contact the Designated Teachers for Child Protection: **Mr Montebello, Mr Paterson and Mrs Wooler.**



Alfie

## 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.

Newsletter	Friday, 20 <sup>th</sup> January
Year Three Assembly to parents	Friday, 27 <sup>th</sup> January, 2.30pm in Hall
Headteacher Assembly	Friday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> February, 3.00pm in Hall
E-Safety Assembly (parents most welcome)	Friday, 10 <sup>th</sup> February, 2.45pm in Hall
Headteacher Assembly	Friday, 24 <sup>th</sup> February, 3.00pm in Hall
Newsletter	Friday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> March
Headteacher Assembly	Friday, 10 <sup>th</sup> March, 3.00pm in Hall
Newsletter	Friday, 17 <sup>th</sup> March
Headteacher Assembly	Friday, 24 <sup>th</sup> March, 3.00pm in Hall
Year Two Assembly to parents	Friday, 31 <sup>st</sup> March, 2.30pm in Hall
Newsletter	Friday, 31 <sup>st</sup> March
Headteacher Assembly	Friday, 28 <sup>th</sup> April, 3.00pm in Hall
Newsletter	Friday, 5 <sup>th</sup> May
Headteacher Assembly	Friday, 12 <sup>th</sup> May, 3.00pm in Hall
Newsletter	Friday, 19 <sup>th</sup> May
Year One Assembly to parents	Friday, 19 <sup>th</sup> May, 2.30pm in Hall
Reception Assembly to parents	Friday, 9 <sup>th</sup> June, 2.30pm in Hall
Headteacher Assembly	Friday, 16 <sup>th</sup> June, 3.00pm in Hall
Newsletter	Friday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> June
Headteacher Assembly	Friday, 30 <sup>th</sup> June, 3.00pm in Hall
Newsletter	Friday, 7 <sup>th</sup> July
Final Headteacher Assembly	Friday, 14 <sup>th</sup> July, 3.00pm in Hall

### **Term 3**

Chinese Lion Dance Day  
E-Safety Week  
End of Term 3

Monday, 6<sup>th</sup> February  
6<sup>th</sup> February to 10<sup>th</sup> February  
Friday, 10<sup>th</sup> February

### **Term 4**

Start of Term 4  
World Book Day  
Mid-year reports go home  
Parents' Evening  
Parents' Evening  
Science Week  
End of Term 4

Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> February  
Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> March  
Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> March  
Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> March, 3.45pm – 6.30pm in Hall  
Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> March, 4.30pm – 7.30pm in Hall  
13<sup>th</sup> March to 17<sup>th</sup> March  
Friday, 31<sup>st</sup> March

### **Term 5**

Bank Holiday  
Start of Term 5  
May Day Bank Holiday  
SATS Week  
PGL Week (Year Six)  
Final Inset Day (end of Term 5)

Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> April  
Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup> April  
Monday, 1<sup>st</sup> May  
8<sup>th</sup> May to 12<sup>th</sup> May  
15<sup>th</sup> May to 19<sup>th</sup> May  
Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May

### **Term 6**

Start of Term 6  
Maths Week  
Healthy Eating Week  
Year Six play  
End-of-year reports go home  
Open Classrooms  
Sports Day  
Year Six Graduation  
End of Term 6

Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> June  
19<sup>th</sup> June to 23<sup>rd</sup> June  
3<sup>rd</sup> July to 7<sup>th</sup> July  
Thursday, 13<sup>th</sup> July, 7pm in Hall  
Friday, 14<sup>th</sup> July  
Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> July, 3.30pm – 4.30pm informal drop-ins  
Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup> July (children can go home after noon register)  
Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> July, 6pm in Hall  
Friday, 21<sup>st</sup> July (after ice-cream van)