

West Tytherley CE Primary School

Friday 30th June 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

The last two weeks have been sunny and hot, and we have been grateful of our shady grounds at playtimes. We are now in the really busy weeks of the term, so please keep an eye on the calendars to make sure that you know what is happening and when!

PTA Event- Fun Run- Sunday 25th June

The PTA organised a wonderful event on Sunday, with children and adults invited to take part in both a 5KM and 2KM fun run. Despite the hot weather we had a really good turn out and it was wonderful to see so many children and parents running. We saw children putting in really great effort and showing the ability to keep going, even when the distance and heat seemed quite a lot to cope with.

This event would not have happened without the hard work from the PTA team, led by Maisie Barnes, who herself walked many KMs plotting and marking out the route! We had volunteers with marshalling and organising refreshments, medals, first aid and registration. It was a super team effort and the school would like to thank everyone for their help making this event so successful.

Osmington Bay- Friday 30th May – Monday 3rd June

Today the year 5 and 6 children will be embarking on their residential trip to Osmington Bay. We are excited and looking forward to a fantastic four days. We will share some photographs when we get back and let you all know what we got up to!

School Play- Jonah and the Whale- Monday 10th & Tuesday 11th July in the village hall

We will be putting on two performances of Jonah and the Whale, the first one on Monday 10th July at 1:30pm and the second on the evening of Tuesday 11th July at 6pm. If you do not have children performing, but would like to come along with your children to see the play, we would be delighted to welcome you. The more numbers we have in the audience, the more rewarding it is for the children on stage. If you would like to attend either of the performances, please email Victoria in the office with the number of seats you require so that we can set the hall up accordingly.

Summer BBQ and non-uniform day- Friday 14th July

A reminder that this event will be running on Friday the 14th July and that this day will be a non- uniform day, in return for a donation of a bottle, of any description. I know that there are plenty of activities planned for the children to enjoy and we are looking forward to a really good event.

It is also planned that the PTA will be giving a presentation to the teachers who are leaving us at the end of term. If you would like to donate to this, there are envelopes in the school office.

Clubs List for the Autumn Term

We are in the process of finalising the choices for the clubs lists for September and we will send them out on Friday 7th July. This will then give you time to return them before the end of the term.

Reports – Friday 7th July

You will receive your child's written report on Friday 7th July. This will include information about their academic progress and attitudes to learning and school life. We anticipate that this will be a helpful document that gives you an accurate picture of your child's profile as both a learner and member of their school community. There is a form attached where you can give any feedback that you would like to, and of course the teachers will be happy to speak to you and answer any questions that you would like to ask.

Wishing everyone a lovely weekend. Think of us as we dragon boat race and abseil down towers at Osmington Bay!

Kind regards

Lucy Macey

PTA Fun Run



Weekly Certificates

Friday 23rd June 2023

Beech	Holly	For her hard work using finger spaces in her writing.
Willow	Hugo	For continued effort to improve his handwriting.
Oak	Tobias	For making a concerted effort with the presentation of his work.

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Beech	Tima	For working hard on his writing and maths.
Willow	Alex	For a brilliant portal story, drawing on his knowledge of history.
Oak	Charlie	For fantastic perseverance in his swimming lessons.

Last Weeks House Points

Singer = 176

Pragnell = 160

Budden = 190

The individual HP winners are:

Holly, Hugo, Tobias

Well done everyone!

This Weeks House Points

Singer = 69

Pragnell = 64

Budden = 45

The individual HP winners are:

Zara, Alex, Hannah

Well done everyone!

Thought for the Week

This weekend some people are going to Winchester Cathedral to be ordained in the Church of England. (To be ordained means that you have been made a religious leader in a ceremony) I was ordained ('made a Vicar') 24 years ago in Winchester Cathedral. Not many of you are likely to be ordained but everyone has a unique set of gifts and talents which God wants you to use for the good of others, and yourself. What do you think are yours? You can pray: *Lord God, strengthen us to be the people you made us to be. Make us strong so that we can show your love to others and be more aware of your love for us. Amen*

Vicar James

Beech Class

We have finished our learning journey of 'Leo and the Octopus' and the Year 1 girls have completed fact files based on octopuses. Copies of these will be sent to the Oceanarium in Bournemouth to show them how much we have learnt about these mysterious creatures.

A group of cheeky pirates have infiltrated our classroom and chaos has ensued. The children came in on Monday to find a mysterious treasure chest in the middle of the carpet. Each day something new has appeared in the box and so far we have found treasure, pirates, clues and a book! Our new learning journey is 'The Night Pirates' by Peter Harris, a story about a mysterious ship that steals a little boy's house and - the best bit - all the pirates are girls! As this will be our least learning journey of the year, there will be multiple outcomes such as poems, letters, reports, narratives and factfiles.

In Maths last week, the children explored capacity and volume. They began by exploring different sizes of jug and pouring coloured liquid between them. They then wrote their own recipes using mathematical language such as full, empty and half full. Beech used their recipes the next day to create potions in a giant cauldron and named their concoctions. This week they have been focusing on grouping and sharing, using concrete resources to build their understanding of multiplication and division.

In the afternoons, we have been sharing what food is special to us and linking this to foods that are used to celebrate events in the Christian and Jewish calendar. We have also started our PSHE topic on growing and changing by discussing and creating life cycles of a butterfly and a frog.



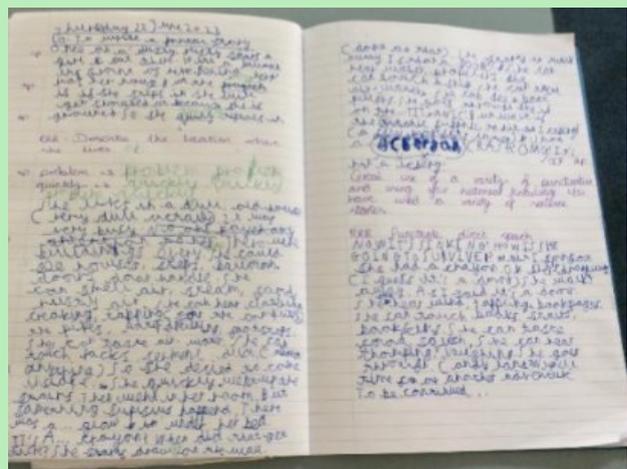
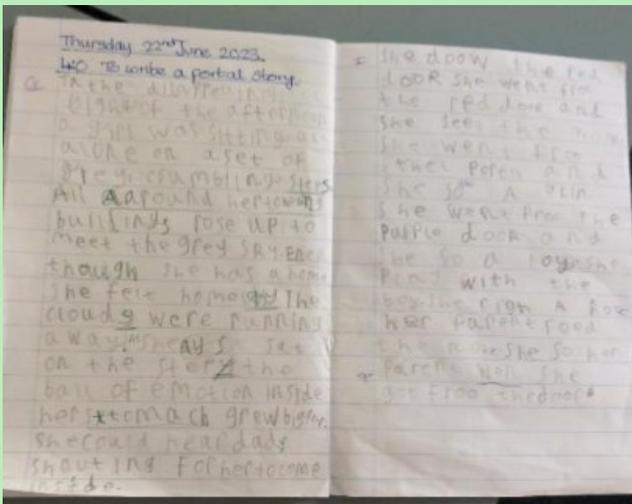
Willow Class

We have come to the end of our current unit of work in English. Last week, the children explored different features to use within their portal stories (progressive tense, adverbs, prepositions) and have been writing their stories this week. We have taken the writing slowly, focusing on a different part each day. Within their writing, the children have been able to describe their location in detail, creating an image of it within the reader's mind.

Last week in Maths, the children looked at multiplication, as well as division for the year 2s. Year 2 secured their understanding of how arrays could be used to show multiplication and division, whilst Year 3 looked at using the grid method as a formal way to solve more complex multiplication calculations. The year 3s also looked at scaling and when this would be used. Within groups, they were given a recipe and were tasked with scaling it up to make a different number of food items.

We have continued to look at sewing stitches within design and technology on Fridays. The children have focused on back stitch and becoming secure on it. We have also begun to look at different ways to secure the edges through blanket stitch.

In Geography, the children have created maps to support us in getting from school to the park. They have had to include a key into their work and have thought about what they would see along the way. They will use these maps next week to get to the park, adding anything they missed on route.



Oak Class

School play practice has been in full swing in Oak class, with the children all working incredibly hard to learn their lines. We have had the help of Mrs Bowyer, who has been helping make fantastic props with the children and we have had lots of compliments on the beautiful singing that can be heard down the corridors. Please remember to book your tickets for Monday 10th July (afternoon performance) or Tuesday 11th July (6:00pm)!

Our curriculum lessons have not stopped and we have been using all the time in the school day to continue to further our learning. In Maths, we have been focussing on time and using our recall of different time facts to help solve problems. We also have been exploring a variety of time duration problems, using time lines to help work out end times and elapsed times. We finished our learning journey in English, writing a chapter from 'The Queen's Tale' in the perspective of the Huntsman. The children really enjoyed using their imagination to adapt the story to make it their own.

In Science, we have continued learning about the circulatory system. In last week's lesson, we learnt about the key parts of the circulatory system and identified different parts of the heart and lungs. This week, we used this understanding to explain how blood is oxygenated and transported round the body. We went out to the playground and became red blood cells ourselves to bring the circulatory system to life! In our PSHE lessons, we have been learning about the changes our bodies can go through. The children have been mature during these lessons and we have been able to take part in some useful and meaningful discussions. We have also been enjoying our weekly swimming lessons at Farleigh. Every week, we work on different skills in our groups, improving our strokes and practising skills such as seated dives and treading water. Miss Lee has already seen some great progress in our swimming! Thank you again to all the parents who offer transport every week - these opportunities would not be possible without you.



Year 6 Leavers Service

Our Year 6 children were fortunate enough to be invited to Winchester Cathedral to attend the Year 6 Leavers Service on Friday 16th June. This event is attended by over 2,000 children over the week, all of whom attend a Church of England school in Hampshire. The morning was filled with a range of workshops, including calligraphy and our own opportunity to explore the cathedral. In the afternoon, we attended the Leavers Service, where a variety of songs were sung and we took part in a drumming masterclass. Marley and Abigail did a fantastic job carrying our school banner in the procession and Chloe went with Miss Lee to collect the candle and say the Lord's Prayer at the end of the service.



Dates for your diary

Date	What	Who	Where
30th June – 3rd July	Osmington Bay Residential Trip	Yr 5 & 6	
4th July	Optional authorised day of rest after residential trip	Yr 5 & 6	
7th July	Dance Festival	Yr 3 & 4 Letter to be sent nearer the time.	Test Valley School
10th July	KS2 Summer Production	All	Afternoon time TBC
10th July	Transition morning , children meeting their new class teachers	All	Morning
11th July	KS2 Summer Production	All	Evening time TBC
14th July	Non school uniform day Please bring a bottle for the tombola	All	
14th July	PTA Summer BBQ	All	After School
17th July	Yr 6 Leavers Treat Day	Yr 6	It's a Secret!
21st July	YR 6 Leavers Service	All	10:30am in village church

School Summer BBQ – Friday 14 July 5-7pm

This year we are holding our annual summer event and are looking forward to a fantastic fun-filled evening. We have an array of stalls we would like to hold but to make this the best event possible for our children we are asking for help!

The stalls planned are as follows. Those we need parent volunteers to help us man are highlighted in red! If you can help, please let any member of the PTA know!

Cake stall, Hook the duck, Guess the number of sweets in the jar, Guess the name of the bear, Sweet bag tombola, Bottle tombola, Bric-a-brac stall, Obstacle course, Netball shooting, Wang-a-welly, Hoop game, Crazy catch rebound, Splat the rat, 2nd hand uniform sale.

Facepainting, Hair chalk, Crafting session, Best chalk drawing on Asphalt, Soak the Teacher, Pigeons Football Club 'Beat the Goalie', Golden Empire Boxing Academy 'Sparring Sessions'

Donations Please!

We are also asking for donations, which can be left at the school office, for the following:

Bottle tombola – donations of alcoholic, non-alcoholic, toiletries.

Sweet bag tombola - donations of sweets / stickers / party bag fillers or similar.

Cakes (please label with ingredients / allergens).

Donations to the bric-a-brac. any or all of the following items in good condition:

- One toy
- One book
- One game
- One soft toy
- Second-hand uniform (all years)

Thank you for all your help and support from the PTA

Holiday Club



We have a fantastic programme planned for the holidays at Norman Court, West Tytherley.

Please book early to avoid disappointment.

We accept all CHILDCARE VOUCHERS

Please bring a lunch box and snacks

Full Week - £230

Full Day - £46

All day - £29

Please visit our website to book online via ClassForKids or contact us on: enquire@ecomontessori.co.uk

Payment is required in advance of sessions.

Holiday Club dates - 2023 (excluding Bank Holidays)

Monday 3rd April - Friday 14th April

Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June

Monday 24th July - Friday 25th August

Monday 23th - Friday 27th October

Typical Structure of the Day

(For children aged 4-11)

8.00–9.30am	Arrival, Breakfast and free play
9.30–10.30am	Activity One
10.30–11.00am	Snack Time
11.00–12.30pm	Activity Two
12.30–2.00pm	Lunch time and Adventure play
2.00–4.00pm	Activity Three
4.00–5.00pm	Free Play and snack
5.00–6.00pm	Free play and Home time

For a full programme of activities, please see overleaf



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PROGRAMME OF ACTIVITIES



Monday SAMPLE DAY



- Activity 1 | Den building
- Activity 2 | Tree climbing
- Activity 3 | Team games – stick towers



Tuesday SAMPLE DAY



- Activity 1 | Woodland walk & tree identification
- Activity 2 | Whittling
- Activity 3 | Wooden wand making



Wednesday SAMPLE DAY



- Activity 1 | Nature walk & foraging
- Activity 2 | Hapa Zome pictures
- Activity 3 | Team games (Capture the flag!)

Thursday SAMPLE DAY



- Activity 1 | Tree climbing
- Activity 2 | Nature Walk Story board
- Activity 3 | Flint and steel practice

Friday SAMPLE DAY



- Activity 1 | Scavenger hunt
- Activity 2 | Building a campfire
- Activity 3 | Cooking fruit kebabs & marshmallows

Other Activities



- Den Building
- Woodland scavenger hunt
- Clay Tree Faces
- Obstacle Course games
- Nature brushes
- Whittling and tool work
- Mud painting
- Creating a wind chime



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