Newsletter



Inspiring the individual; creating a community

Our Christian Value for this half term is TRUST

Friday 12th May 2017

Coming Up Next Week

Monday 15th May

Years 3, 4, 5, 6 Swimming Gala

Class Photos

Thursday 18th May

Running Club

Friday 19th May

Years 5/6 Kwik Cricket Boys Newdigate Cricket Club

Class Photos are taking place on Monday 15th May

Dates for your diary

Abinger Medieval Fair Saturday 10th June 2pm to 5pm

> WESTFest Sunday 2nd July 1pm to 4pm

Parent Quote

"I came to the Bees parent lunch on the 20th April 2017 and I just wanted to feedback how friendly and helpful the lunch staff were on the day".

"I've been the last two years and just wanted to say what a nice idea it is and I hope it continues". I can certainly pleased we are now at the tail end of the working week. It has been hectically busy this week with all that has been going on.

Year 6 having been sitting SATs which has meant that many staff have been diverted to administer these and support the children. The staff have worked wonders in helping the children to cope, in a supportive manner. We could not be prouder of the hard work, determination and commitment the Year 6 children have shown this week during the SATs. Well done all of you!

The children in Bees and Dragonflies are very excited about the eggs that have arrived in their classrooms. During the course of the week, the children have observed the eggs in their incubators waiting for signs of hatching. The children will keep you posted.

During the week, the children in Year 3 and 4 have brought in very creative pieces of homework based on their Titanic learning theme. I have been very impressed by the models of cabins and Lego reconstructions of the Titanic.

Safeguarding is a priority for everyone at Surrey Hills; we regularly talk to the children about how to stay safe online and what to do if they see something that they are not sure about. Therefore we are liaising with the Dorking School Partnership to arrange a workshop for parents about keeping children safe when using technology. More details will be given in the newsletter once the date has been confirmed; it is likely to be in June.

The Year 4 and Year 6 children are looking forward to their residential visit to New Barn and High Ashurst. A meeting is being held on Thursday 18th May at 6:45pm for Year 4 and 7.30pm for Year 6 to provide parents with further information about the residential visits. If you are unable to attend, the appropriate paperwork will be sent home with your child.

Yesterday Mrs Grover started her maternity leave. We all wish her well and look forward to seeing her and her baby before the end of the year. I would also like to wish Sarah Tudor, who works in our Westcott office, good luck this weekend. She will be walking the 26 mile Moonwalk in London in aid of Breast Cancer UK.

Good luck to everyone taking part in the swimming gala on Monday.

Wishing you all a pleasant weekend.

Jennie Ratcliff, Headteacher

Reception and Year 1 SeaLife Centre Trip

Quotes from the children about the day:

Eliott "My favourite bit was the terrapin and we went to the Claws Workshops and I saw a Japanese spider crab"

Luke "We went to the rainforest and I saw a water snake"

Ava "I loved seeing the turtles being fed some lettuce"

Farley "Turtles for me I loved them"

Evan "I Loved the sharks"

Oliver "The stingray was massive"



Abinger Medieval Fair – Saturday 10TH JUNE HFLP NFFDFD!

As many of you know, the Medieval Fair is a wonderful event, which also has the added benefit of raising money for the children at Surrey Hills.

The children at Abinger parade in medieval costumes, dance around the maypole, and one lucky girl is crowned as the May Queen.

Many parents and staff are involved, but one stall we do need help on is the **Face Painting**. You don't need to be an expert, but if you could offer $\frac{1}{2}$ hour of your time it would be most gratefully received. (Fair runs from 2 – 5pm)

Please contact Rachel Stockhausen (Westcott), or Jude Palmer (Abinger), if you are able to help out.

Thank you.



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Diary Dates 2016/2017

Please add these dates to your diary but check the Newsletter each week for any changes/updates these will appear in red.

May 2017

KS2 SATs Week	8th May
Years 4 and 6 Residential Information	18th May
Meeting	
Years 5 and 6 Boys Kwik Cricket	19th May
Years 5 and 6 Girls Kwik Cricket	23rd May
Year 3 and 4 Surrey Libraries' Children's	25th May
Book Awards	
Squirrels Class Assembly	26th May
Parent Forum Meeting Date	TBC

End of Term 26th May 2017 – Normal close times Half Term 29th May - 5th June 2017

8th June

June 2017

Sports Day - Years 3, 4, 5 and 6

Year 6 Residential Trip - Payment £33.75	9th June
Year 4 Residential Trip - Payment £22.00	9th June
Ladybirds Class Assembly	9th June
Arts Week	12th June
Years 5 and 6 Rounders	12th June
Years 3 and 4 Dance Festival TBC 12th or	13th June
Years 3 and 4 Rounders	13th June
Reserve Sports Day – Years 3,4, 5, and 6	15th June
Fathers/Grandfathers Activity Afternoon	16th June
Year 4 Residential Trip	20th – 23rd
	June
Years 3 and 4 Mini Tennis	20th June
Year 6 Leavers Service at Guildford	26th June (am)
Year 6 Residential Trip	26th (pm) –
	30th June
Sports Day – Reception, Years 1 and 2	
(Abinger Site)	29th June
Year 5 The Big Sing	29th June
Bees Class Assembly	30th June

July 2017	
Move up Day	4th July
Reserve Sports Day - Reception,	
Years 1 and 2 (Abinger Site)	6th July
Years 5 and 6 Pixham Athletics	6th July
Inset Day	7th July
Caterpillar Class Assembly (to be rescheduled)	7th July
Year 5 Summer Fair – 9.00am at Abinger	12th July

Year 5 Summer Fair – 1.00pm at Westcott 13th July Year 6 Leavers Assembly – 6.30pm Year 6 Leavers Party - 6.30pm - 8.30pm 20th July

End of Summer Term 21st July 2017 – Early close times Abinger 1.15pm - Westcott 1.30pm

Summer Holidays 21st July - 2nd September 2017

WESTFest Drawing Competition

WESTfest will be back on Sunday 2 July 2017! This year our theme is Carnival, and it is time for the drawing competition to see whose winning entry will take pride of place on the front cover of the fair programme. The winner will also receive a prize of arts & craft goodies. Please hand entries in at the School Office before 26 May.



WOMEN & GIRLS **FIND YOUR** INNER WARRIOR





PLAY RUGBY

FOR FITNESS, FOR FRIENDSHIP, FOR FUN TASTER SESSION AT DORKING RFC

SUNDAY 14 MAY 2017

11.00 AM TO 1.00 PM.

CONTACT AND TOUCH RUGBY

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY. ALL WELCOME -REGARDLESS OF AGE, SHAPE, SIZE OR LEVEL OF FITNESS.

BE TOUGH ENOUGH TO TRY.



For further information/to register your interest - contact Pip Merrett on pip.merrett@gmail.com

KS2 Writing Competition Winner

Mrs Evelyn our chair of governors had the honour of judging the 'Once Upon a Dream' writing competition. It was a challenging role to take on with many wonderful entries. Louis from Butterfly Class was the winner for the Abinger site. He wrote an exciting poem set in a magical forest with a friendly dragon that managed to save the world. The winners for the Westcott site were Scarlett from Ladybirds Class (key stage 1) and Sasha from Squirrels Class (key stage 2).

Congratulations.

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