



Wittersham Church of England Primary School

"On a voyage of discovery: together we learn, grow and achieve"

20th April 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a joy to have the children enjoying the sunny weather and being able to play across the whole field! I have been attempting to teach some children how to make Daisy Chains but we have been foiled by Landscape Services mowing the grass and cutting down all of our daisies today! The good weather also aids a lot more of our aim to learn outdoors and I have seen a whole range of activities this week using the environment from angles in maths to science and art.

The children seem to be really engaged with Athletics and Spelladrome since we purchased these programmes and the good news is that with funding from the Tenterden Lions and our own WSA, the school will soon be purchasing more iPads so there will be even more opportunities for digital learning in our curriculum.

Last term the school entered the Portfolio Art Competition run by the Turner Contemporary museum. This year they received a record number of 1,796 original entries on the theme of 'Animals and Us'. From this they have shortlisted 110 to be presented to a judging panel. We are delighted to share that Grace in Smuggler class is one of these shortlisted entries! Grace has been invited to the Prize Giving Evening in May and I am sure you will join us in wishing her lots of luck.



I hope you have a wonderful weekend filled with sunshine and fun.

Claire Frost
headteacher

Tidiest Cloakroom Award:
SMUGGLERS

Homewood Year 5 Open Morning

Message from Homewood School;

"Please advise any parents of your Year 5 pupils who would be interested in joining Homewood School in Year 7, that we are holding an Open Morning on Saturday 16th June from 10am-1pm.

Principal speeches will be at 10.30am & 11.30am in the Sinden Theatre.

Advert and flyer to follow shortly."

Lunchtime Exemplary Behaviour Award:



KS1—Zak
KS2—Jake

Nominated by our Midday Leaders

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

KEY STAGE 1 SATS	May
KEY STAGE 2 SATS	14th—17th May
YEAR 1 PHONICS SCREENING	W/B 11th June
Y5/6 RESIDENTIAL—MARLOW	11th—15th June
Y6 THEATRE TRIP	Monday 18th June
FIRE SAFETY TALKS	Tuesday 19th June
WELCOME MEETING FOR NEW PARENTS	Tuesday 19th June 4pm
SPORTS DAY	Wed. 20th June pm
WSA SUMMER FAYRE	Saturday 23rd June
INSET DAY	Friday 29th June
SMUGGLER PORT LYMPNE TRIP	Friday 6th July
Y6 LEAVERS LUNCH	Friday 20th July
Y6 LEAVERS SERVICE ST JOHN'S CHURCH	Friday 20th July

Jumble Sale in aid of Stone-cum-Ebony Children's Christmas Party
Stone Memorial Hall Saturday 21st April, starts at 10am



Ashford Young Farmers' Club Lambing Day is now on this Sunday, 22nd April

See attached flyers for both events!



Attendance cup last week went to:
WINDMILL with 97.1% Attendance—WELL DONE !

Just a reminder that the WSA have a stall at the rearranged Ashford Young Farmers' Club Lambing Day this Sunday so please come and join in the fun!



A big thank you to everyone who has supported the nearly new sale this week, whether with help running the stand, or by purchasing uniform.

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REMINDERS

Now that the sun has decided to make an appearance, please ensure your children have sun cream and sun hats in school for outside activities. Please apply sun cream in the morning before school so they can top up as and when required during the day.



Please ensure your children have shin pads available if they wish to play football at lunchtimes.



Gardening Club

Gardening club starts back next week and will now be on a Monday lunchtime. If your child would like to join in, please ensure they have their wellies in school until the ground conditions improve!



This Week's Golden Virtues Winners

Windmill—Freddie, Daisy, Archie and Barnaby
Smugglers—Esme and Lottie
Viking—India and Dylan
Oxney—The Whole Class
Rother—Daisy and James P.

HELP US HELP THE ENVIRONMENT! A MESSAGE FROM VIKING CLASS.

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have been learning about recycling and sustainability as part of our topic and we want to make a difference. Did you know that plastic bottles are one of the biggest problems? However, we want to change that and are launching our own campaign! Please can we ask that every child tries to have a reusable water bottle. This will mean that you'll save some money and won't have to keep buying plastic water bottles, we won't have to throw away as many plastic bottles and Wittersham School will be helping the environment.

Please help us help the environment!

From Viking Class



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