



NEWSLETTER 34

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Dear Parents,



The week before half term the whole school's attendance was 98.4% which is slightly above our attendance target of 97.5%. Well done to everyone.

WOW MOMENT



Sam in Class 1 took part in the Devon Libraries Book Track scheme at Sidmouth Library. Children choose and read 100 library books and chat to the library staff about them, collecting stickers and badges on their way to 100 books. It's free and is open to children aged 6 or over. Sam was keen to follow in the footsteps of his big sister Beth who completed the scheme in 2017.

<https://www.devonlibraries.org.uk/web/arena/children-booktrack>



SIGNING UP FOR STALLS AT FETE

As you are aware the KS2 classes have all been asked to organise their own stall at the fete this year and have all been working very hard to organise this. Lists were placed under the canopy on Monday 3rd June for volunteers to run the stall for each class for 30 minute intervals but unfortunately we have only had one volunteer! The lists will now be passed to each KS2 class teacher so please see them if you are able to help with volunteering for a 30 minute slot. Many thanks.

SPONSORED BOUNCE

Every year the PTFA organise a sponsored bounce to make use of the bouncy castle for the West Hill Village fete. This year, the sponsored bounce will take place on Friday 28th June. Parents, friends and family sponsor children to bounce and the money raised goes to the PTFA. Sponsor forms will be sent home tomorrow (Friday 14th June) in your child's book bag. Please can these be returned with money collected by Monday 8th July. Thank you for your support with this.

ASSEMBLY VALUES

Each term Mrs Boulton will be focussing on a half termly value in assemblies on Wednesday and Fridays. This half term will be **RESPONSIBILITY**. Each week we will have a different theme of co-operation:

Week 1 - Introduce the value

Week 2 - Responsibility for our class/actions
Week 3 - Responsibility for our property/belongings
Week 4 - Responsibility for our school
Week 5- Responsibility for our family members
Week 6- Responsibility for our pets
Week 7- Evaluation of the value
Week 8- Y6 Leaver's assembly

SCHOOL PUPIL TRACKER/REPORTS

Please be aware that School Pupil Tracker is closing down on 31st December 2019 and our school subscription expires on 4th September 2019. After 4th September, parents from Class 1 to Class 6 will no longer be able to log in and view your child's assessments or access any of their school reports. If you wish to keep copies of their school reports, please think about either downloading and saving them as Word documents or alternatively printing them.

TRESPASSERS IN FOREST SCHOOL AREA

Unfortunately on the evening of Tuesday 11th June we had the Police on site as 2 teenage boys were witnessed by a local resident on top of our forest school shed. The Police have informed us that they know who the boys are and have visited their parents at home to discuss their behaviour. Luckily no damage was done to the area on this occasion but please can we ask you to speak to your teenagers about respecting school property and staying off the site after school hours. The Village hall tennis court and play park are both public areas if they need somewhere to play.

MUSIC LESSONS FOR PUPILS IN KEY STAGE 2 (CLASSES 3-6) IN SEPTEMBER

Peripatetic music teachers come to West Hill Primary School to give instrumental tuition to the children who would like to learn a musical instrument. The teacher is self-employed and will invoice you directly for lessons termly, with a term's notice required if the child wishes to stop. They are able to offer tuition for woodwind (flute, clarinet and saxophone), brass (cornet), violin and guitar. You will need to provide the instruments, but with the exception of guitar, these can be hired through Music Devon at reasonable rates.

For new starters (current Year 2 and upwards), in order to secure a place to start in September, please complete the slip at the end of this newsletter, and return to Wendy or Jo by **Monday 1st July**. Paperwork will then be sent home to complete. Once the music teacher has arranged their tuition time for West Hill School, to start in September, it is unlikely they will be able to accommodate any additional requests after July.

CURRENT MUSIC LESSONS

May I remind you to email the music tutors to confirm whether your child wishes to continue their lessons as well as returning your contracts to the office by the 1st July (these will be sent home shortly).

APPS/APPROPRIATE AGE LIMITS

In recent newsletters we advised parents of appropriate age restrictions for computer games at home such as Fortnite (rated 12.) Please be aware that age restrictions also apply to social media platforms such as WhatsApp. WhatsApp is one of the most popular messaging apps in the world, with more than 1.5 billion people in more than 180 countries using it to send and receive text, photos, videos and documents, as well as make voice and video calls through an Internet or Wi-Fi connection. Since May 2018 the minimum age for using WhatsApp is 16 years old. National Online Safety have produced a 'What parents need to know about What'sApp' (the green poster below). To access this please see <https://2j39y52a62gm1afygb3g1xbu-wpengine.netdna-ssl.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/WhatsApp-Parents-Guide.pdf>

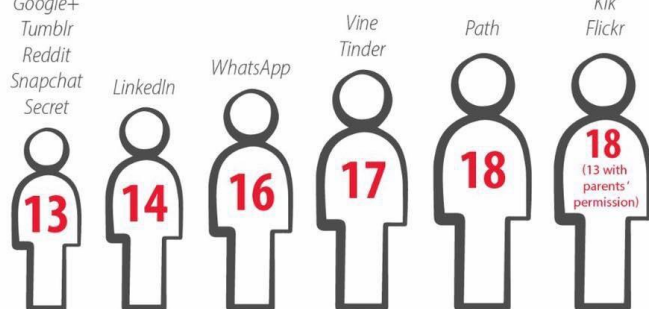
Age Restrictions for Social Media Platforms

(Ages specified in terms of as of 2014)



Twitter
Facebook
Instagram
Pinterest
Google+
Tumblr
Reddit
Snapchat
Secret

YouTube
Keek
Foursquare
WeChat
Kik
Flickr



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - Reminder

JUNE	
Monday 10 th - Friday 28 th	- Year 4 multiplication tables check national voluntary pilot
Friday 21 st	- Class 3 Sharing Assembly - 10.10am. Parents of Class 3 pupils welcome to attend
Tuesday 25 th	- Class 3 trip
Thursday 27 th	- King's Open Evening for Year 6 children & Parents - 6.00pm
Friday 28 th	- PTFA Sponsored Bounce
Saturday 29 th	- West Hill Summer Fete - 12noon-4.30pm
JULY	
Wednesday 3 rd	- Reception Class Trip
Thursday 4 th	- Class 5 & Class 6 Summer Performance - matinee 2pm & evening 6pm. Parents of Class 5 and 6 pupils welcome to attend
Friday 5 th	- Reception Class Sharing Assembly - 10.10am. Parents of Reception pupils welcome to attend
Monday 8 th	- Project week at King's School. Class 6 children going to King's in Sept at King's School all week
Wednesday 10 th	- Full Governors' Meeting
Wednesday 17 th	- Class swap to meet new teacher/TA for September
Friday 19 th	- Trophies assembly - Reception Class end of term dance performance to parents and school (Katie Murray) - 3pm
Wednesday 24 th	- Last Day of Summer Term - Class 6 Leavers Assembly for parents led by pupils with tea and cake after - 9.10am - Family picnic on school field 12.15-1.15pm (Village Hall if wet) - 1.30pm end of term (children able to leave after registration at 1.15pm)
Thursday 25 th	- Occasional Day (school closed)
SUMMER HOLIDAY - 25th July - 31st August	
Children return to school on Wednesday 4 th September due to 2 non pupil days on 2 nd & 3 rd September	

PTFA UPDATE

FAMILY CAMPING ON SCHOOL FIELD SATURDAY 15TH JUNE

Unfortunately this has been CANCELLED due to the weather.

THE FETE

The 3rd prize in this year's raffle will be a luxury hamper, we have a large hamper ready to fill and need your help please! We are looking for donations of wine, spirits, goodies such as posh chocolates & biscuits, toiletries and gifts. Please place any donations into the hamper basket by school office for us to collect. Your help in raising money for your child's school is greatly appreciated.

Please also continue to volunteer - we all need to do our bit to make it a success, even a short period on a stall will help make this a success. Also please remember, don't disappear at the end - the field

needs to be returned to its green and wonderful state. Gazebos and tables need to be cleared away, rubbish collected and sorted. We need you!

ANY OTHER IDEAS?

What else can we do? - please shout!

COMMUNITY NEWS

MESSY CHURCH

Fun activities, informal worship and share food.

June 28th - Summer BBQ and party

St Michael's Church, West Hill. Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult.



WEST HILL PLAY PARK

Please be aware that the play park will be closed for two days during the week of 17th June to allow maintenance work to be carried out (weather permitting).

MUMS NIGHT OUT - LAST FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH -FRIDAY 28th JUNE

All ladies welcome to join us at the British Legion at 8pm, the more the merrier!

Have a lovely weekend.

With my best wishes

Cheryl Boulton

Mrs. Cheryl Boulton

Headteacher

Please return slip to Wendy or Jo by Monday 1st July 2019

MUSICAL INSTRUMENT TUITION

My child _____ Class _____

would like to learn _____ (name of instrument).

Signed: _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian