



WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL

SUMMERLEA C.P. SCHOOL



WINDSOR DRIVE, RUSTINGTON

WEST SUSSEX, BN16 3SW

HEADTEACHER: MRS H MORRIS

TEL: (01903) 856783

FAX: (01903) 856784

EMAIL: office@summerleaschool.co.uk

'Growing thoughtful learners and independent thinkers'



NEWSLETTER 6: 28 November 2016

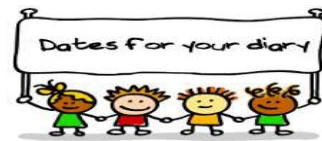


We are all looking forward to the FOSS Christmas Fair this coming Friday 2nd December as the festive season begins. See you there!



Fantastic Fundraising!

Thank you to everyone for supporting the recent Poppy Appeal. We raised £273.83 for the Royal British Legion. Thank you also for all of your donations in aid of Children in Need. Children designed posters, sold official merchandise and some even created their own! The 'spots' themed non-uniform day was also extremely well received with some brilliant costumes! In total an incredible £1,085.50 was raised. This is yet another record for our school! Thank you to Mrs McConnochie and Miss Camble for organising this with the help of the School Pupil Council and encouraging great participation by everyone. We are overwhelmed by your support and generosity. Thank you everyone!



Week beginning 28th November:

Visit Santa's Grotto - after school every day this week

Mon 28th: Year 2 Swimming

Fri 2nd: 3-5pm FOSS Christmas Fair

Clubs finish today (apart from Zumba)

Sat 3rd: 7pm Glee at Arundel Cathedral (tickets only)

Week beginning 5th December:

Mon 5th: Year 2 Swimming

9-10am EYFS Nativity

2-3pm KS1 Christmas Production

Tue 6th: 9-10am EYFS Nativity

2-3pm KS1 Christmas Production

2.45pm Used uniform sale in Palm Studio



Please also see the previously published term dates for the academic year and key events on our website calendar, as well as separate letters, for more information.



Calling all interested Forest School Volunteers

*Have you thought about volunteering but wondered if you'd like it?
Not sure what Forest School is all about?
Not sure if you have the skills?
Why not come along and find out more?*



A reminder that On Tuesday 13th December between 8:45am and 10am, we are holding our 'Forest School Volunteer Taster Session'. This is an opportunity for you to pop along and have a go at some of the activities, ask questions and discuss how volunteering at Forest School might work for you.

If you would like to attend, please phone the office to book a place. You will need to dress warmly and appropriately for the weather (plenty of layers) and remember that it is likely to be very muddy so bring a change of footwear. We will go ahead in all weathers unless there are high winds or thunder!

We are looking forward to seeing you.

Public Consultation Document

For your information, on our school website is a public consultation document about the proposed expansion of primary and secondary schools in our locality.

Please visit <http://www.summerlea.w-sussex.sch.uk/> > News and Events

The online survey can be found at www.westsussex.gov.uk/schoolexpansions

The Local Authority has asked us to share this document with any stakeholders in the school community with whom we think it is relevant.

There are three public drop-in sessions being arranged at The Bourne Community College, The Angmering School and Blackwell Primary School during the consultation period should you wish to discuss any concerns face to face. Details of dates and times are listed on page 4 of the document.

Please note this consultation does not directly involve Summerlea School.



Do you do your Christmas shopping online?

A reminder that we are registered with School Angel – a charity that will help us raise money for our school through online shopping. School Angel is really easy to use and our school has its own charity page already set up which you can visit using this link:

<http://www.schoolangel.org.uk/summerlea-community-primary-school.html>

You can also visit via our own school website, where we have set up an icon called 'School Angel' which can be found under: Our School > Fundraising > School Angel.

So, whilst doing your Christmas shopping online please do so via School Angel.

Thank you!



Christmas Cards in School

Christmas cards are a fundamental and great part of Christmas and the opportunity to send good wishes to friends is highly valued.

The handling of Christmas cards for delivering, and the sheer volume of cards in school, prior to the change we made some years ago, was a growing concern. We have calculated that if every child sent a card to each member of their class there would be over 14,400 cards sent in school! Add to this cards to other friends, teachers and learning support assistants, other staff and the adults' own contributions and it might be somewhere in the region of 16,500 (plus) cards. As a result of considering these amazing figures for one primary school and in the light of our Eco School Status it was decided to try and cut this amount.

Following the success and positive feedback from parents/carers, staff and pupils in previous years, Christmas card arrangements this year will be as follows:

Children can make/buy one card to send to their class (home-made cards are welcome)

Each child will be given the opportunity to present their card to their class by their teacher

Cards can be brought into school from 5th December onwards (no earlier please)

All cards will be displayed in classrooms and a class 'winning' card will be chosen

All 'winning' cards will be brought together from each class in an assembly; the best 3 cards will be chosen and prizes awarded at the end of term.

We would like all other cards that children may wish to send to friends distributed (with parent's help of course) outside of school – this can be before or after school on the playground

Staff will also be encouraged to produce one card for all their colleagues (we have previously had our own Christmas card competition in school!)

We hope all parents/carers will help us in supporting this approach. Thank you.

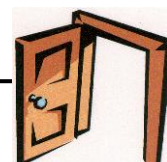


Communication

A gentle reminder that if you have a concern about something, airing this on social media sites such as Facebook will rarely help and will in fact, in all likelihood, make it worse. If there is an issue that is important to you and it is school-related then please come and talk to us and we will do everything we can to work with you to resolve it.

We operate an open door policy here at Summerlea. If ever you have a question, concern or suggestion, please, do not hesitate to come and speak to us. Your first point of contact will usually be your child's class teacher if it is something regarding your child. Our friendly office staff are always happy to help with general enquiries and you can also speak to a member of the Senior Leadership Team on the front gates in the mornings. We look forward to working in partnership with you and welcome your feedback.

If you wish to get in touch with the your child's class teacher by email then please do so by using the office@summerleaschool.co.uk email address. Sometimes teachers are absent from school due to ill health or because they are attending courses and this way we can ensure your message receives a quick response. However, we would always encourage you to come in to school and have a face to face conversation whenever possible – you can contact the school office and make an appointment to meet at a mutually convenient time. Thank you.



Headteacher:

Helen Morris



The 100-word challenge
Week beginning: 7th November



Key Stage 1 winner

BREAKING NEWS!

There has been a new planet discovered where aliens talk different languages.

What do they do?

What do they eat on their planet?

Do they live on the moon?

Do they ever get bored?

Written by Mansa (Year 1, Oak Class)

This fortnight's challenge was set and judged by Aspen Class!

The children watched a short film entitled 'The Planet'.



You can view the video by visiting:

<http://www.literacyshed.com/the-sci---fi-shed.html>

Key Stage 2 winner

BREAKING NEWS!

Sound coming from planet

Yesterday some people were complaining about a noise coming from planets. It was heard in Rustington at 9pm. Some people think it's coming from aliens. Some people are suggesting the aliens are playing music, fighting or playing. Ruby, 6 from London, drew a picture of what she thought the alien looked like. We interviewed a policeman to see what he thought and this is what he had to say: "It was terrifying and stopped me concentrating with my job." That is all from us!

Written by Izzy and Olivia (Year 4, Juniper Class)

Time to read and reflect

We hope you have enjoyed reading these pieces of writing. It would be lovely if you could spend some time sharing and discussing them with your child. Below are some suggestions of things you could think and talk about together.

Mansa has included lots of questions in her writing. Can you think of any others about aliens or planets? Izzy and Olivia have written a news report. Which features of this genre of writing have they included?

Mid Day Meals Supervisors (MDMS) Grade 2 £7.66 - £7.90 per hour
5 hours per week, 1 hour daily Monday-Friday
Term Time Only

The successful candidates will be able to engage with children, support and care for them and ensure that their school experience is a positive, safe and happy one.

We encourage our MDMS to have a sense of belonging to an important team of staff. The MDMS are responsible for supervising the children, ensuring that they have a calm and positive lunchtime experience that is sociable and fun.

All MDMS are then expected to supervise and engage the children in play on the playground, once lunch has been eaten, and liaise with the staff about pupils' individual needs.

Summerlea School is an equal opportunities employer. We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and this post is subject to DBS and pre-employment checks. West Sussex County Council meets the requirements in respect of exempted questions under the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974. Please note, because of the nature of this job, if you are successful in your application you will be subject to an Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check. This will be done by means of applying for an "Enhanced Disclosure". Disclosures include details of cautions, reprimands or final warnings as well as convictions, spent or unspent.

Candidates invited to interview should be informed in writing that relevant criminal convictions and other associated information will be discussed at the interview in order to assess job-related risks. They should also be informed that this information would only be used to assess suitability for employment in so far as it is relevant to the job to which they have applied. Having a criminal conviction will not necessarily bar someone from employment, this will depend on the circumstances and background to the offence.

Visits to our school are most welcome.

Please download and complete an application and safer recruitment form and email them to sbm@summerleaschool.co.uk or post to Summerlea CP School, Windsor Drive, Rustington, West Sussex, BN16 3SW. Enquiries 01903 856783

Individual Needs Mid Day Meals Supervisors (MDMS) Grade 3 £8.04 - £8.39 per hour

TEMPORARY

5 hours per week, 1 hour daily Monday-Friday

Overall Purpose of the Job

- To meet the needs of an individual pupil, with SEND, in your care at lunchtimes under the direction of the Senior Leadership Team, Inclusion Team and Senior Midday Meals Supervisor.

Duties and Responsibilities

- Taking over supervision of a child with special educational needs at the agreed time.
- Supervising the child through transitions such as queueing, moving about the school and using cloakrooms, ensuring hygiene and appropriate behaviour at all times.
- Reinforcing the school's positive behaviour policy, Summerlea Seven Values and rules in accordance with individual behaviour plans.
- Maintaining clear communication with the Inclusion Team, class teacher and other staff who work directly with an individual child.
- Assisting with record keeping.
- Following the Child Protection Policy.
- Participating in any training courses that are relevant to this post as requested.

The successful candidate will be able to engage with children, support and care for them and ensure that their school experience is a positive, safe and happy one.

We encourage all of our MDMS to have a sense of belonging to an important team of staff. Summerlea School is an equal opportunities employer. We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and this post is subject to DBS and pre-employment checks. West Sussex County Council meets the requirements in respect of exempted questions under the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974. Please note, because of the nature of this job, if you are successful in your application you will be subject to an Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check. This will be done by means of applying for an "Enhanced Disclosure". Disclosures include details of cautions, reprimands or final warnings as well as convictions, spent or unspent.

Candidates invited to interview should be informed in writing that relevant criminal convictions and other associated information will be discussed at the interview in order to assess job-related risks. They should also be informed that this information would only be used to assess suitability for employment in so far as it is relevant to the job to which they have applied. Having a criminal conviction will not necessarily bar someone from employment, this will depend on the circumstances and background to the offence.

Visits to our school are most welcome.

Please download and complete an application and safer recruitment form and email them to sbm@summerleaschool.co.uk or post to Summerlea CP School, Windsor Drive, Rustington, West Sussex, BN16 3SW. Enquiries 01903 856783