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'Growing thoughtful learners and independent thinkers'



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You can now follow us on Twitter @Summerleahearts and view our Tweets on the home page of our website. We have 35 followers so far and have posted 12 Tweets!





Homework Survey

Our Parent View results for the academic year 2016-17 currently show that 32% of parents strongly agree and 52% agree that their child receives appropriate homework for their age (based on 85 responses). We would like to see the strongly agree percentage increase next year and are looking to review our homework policy across the all year groups. Thank you to everyone who has completed our parent/carer survey, on homework, so far. This was available to complete during parent consultations over the last two weeks. If you have been unable to respond, please do so via our website via the following link: Learning Zone > Homework > Parent Survey March 2017. Please note: if you have more than one child in the school, you may wish to complete a questionnaire per child to allow you to represent differences between experiences. The survey will remain 'live' for the remainder of this week. Thank you for your time – we really value your feedback!





Week beginning 13th March:

Mon 13th: Year 3 swimming

Tue 14th: Year 5 Wonder Workshop at TLA Thurs 15th: 6pm Year 6 parent/carer meeting re

SATS and residential visit **Fri 17**th: Class photos

Week beginning 20th March:

Mon 20th: Year 3 swimming

Tues 21st: World poetry day – bring in a favourite poem to share

7pm Time to Dance at Worthing Pavilion (ticket only)

Fri 24th: Red Nose Day – dress in red for a suggested donation of £1
Spring Cowbell assembly
7pm Spring Spectacular

Clubs finish today (apart from ASCC)

Please see the previously issued calendar for key dates and events this spring term. Please also see our website calendar, as well as separate letters, for more information.



















FOSS Sponsored Bounce

Last Thursday 9th March we held our annual sponsored event to raise funds for FOSS. There was great excitement (from staff, parents and children) as the bouncy castle was inflated and the jumping began! A very big thank you to all of the parents whom were able to give up their time to come in and help on the day – this was greatly appreciated and ensured the day ran smoothly and each bounce was accounted for!

Thank you also to Boing Boing Fun for allowing us to use their bouncy castle free of charge (please see the attached flyer for further details of this company. By mentioning our school when you book we receive a £5 donation!)

You should have had your child's sponsor form returned by now and we kindly ask that you please collect all monies and send them into school by Friday 24th March.

We are currently looking to buy much needed black out blinds for the school hall (hopefully in time for the Year 6 production!) and resources for the Key Stage 2 outdoor area. Thank you for your support.

Eco Team News

The Eco Team is a small but committed group of children from across the School who are working towards making Summerlea a cleaner, greener place to be. Our focus this term is to promote recycling, both at home and within School. As part of this, we would like everyone to take part in the Wastebusters Home Recycling Challenge (see attached). The challenge is to spot as many items that can be recycled in each room as they can. The aim is to raise awareness of what can and can't be recycled in our local area. The School with the most responses will win £500 and there is a family prize of a brand new iPad too! It would be fantastic if all children could complete a copy, with your help, and we could be in with a chance of the prize and raise awareness!

You can also access the Wastebuster website (www.wastebuster.co.uk), a fun, educational and interactive site, using our School user name and password below:

User name: summbn16 Password: bean91

Thank you and keep recycling!

The Eco Team

Lateness

We are growing increasingly concerned about the number of children arriving at school after 8.30am once the bell has rung. This is an important reminder that all children should be on the playground by 8.30am so that they can enter the building promptly and be registered. If you arrive after this time, you will be asked to make your way round to the main office to register/sign in.

As you will undoubtedly already be aware, every second counts at school, and persistent lateness can have a detrimental impact on a child's progress. If you are struggling to get your child to school on time please do speak to your child's class teacher so that we can work with you and your child to overcome this.

We would also like to remind you that if you have children in EYFS/Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 that from 8.20am there is a member of staff on duty (clearly identifiable by their fluorescent jacket!) You, therefore, can leave your KS2 child on the playground and make your way round to the Key Stage 1 playground to ensure they are there in time for the bell. Thank

Lost property

Once again we have accumulated a huge amount of unnamed items in our lost property boxes. If your child has recently lost something, do come and see if it has been found and please ensure all items are clearly named. Thank you for your help.



Royal Mail's Christmas Stamp Design Competition 2017

Will your child be the designer of one of the 2017 Christmas Stamps? A reminder that all entries to this previously advertised competition should be returned to Mrs McConnochie (Art and Design Coordinator) by today (Monday 13th March) or tomorrow morning at the very latest! Fingers crossed for a winning entry from our school!

PE Kits

As a school that promotes healthy living and active lifestyles, we regard PE to be a key aspect of our curriculum offer. It also forms a statutory part of the National Curriculum and we work hard to ensure all of our pupils have at least 2 hours of physical activity every week. PE lessons are a great way of keeping fit and moving, and it is important that children have the correct PE kit in school as follows:

- White t-shirt (with or without school logo)
- Plain green / black / white shorts
- Tracksuit (optional for outdoor PE in colder weather)
- Suitable footwear plimsolls or trainers

Please ensure you child has a full PE kit in school on their PE days (it is also helpful if they can have their PE kit in school every day as there may be unforeseen timetable changes or additional activities planned).

A little while ago we procured a set of spare PE kits to keep in school in case of emergencies, however, these have been lent out and not returned. If you have a school PE kit at home please return this to the school office. Thank you for your cooperation.



Parking

A reminder to all parents that our staff car park is for use by disabled badge holders only, or in other exceptional circumstances and previously agreed with the headteacher. Since the start of this half term, a significant number of parents have been using the staff car park without permission which even resulted in some members of staff being unable to park on arrival to work one day! If you are dropping your child off at school for an early morning club you may pull into our car park to do so but please do not park or leave your car there (i.e. if you are coming in to watch Karate). Please ensure you and your child/ren keep to the paths and do not walk up the drive or in the car park as there are often lots of vehicles moving at the start and end of the school day.

Unfortunately, there was another near miss outside the school last week; caused by a driver mounting the kerb and reversing on the pavement. Please be vigilant in the interests of everyone's safety. If you witness dangerous driving or parking this can be reported via operation crackdown website www.operationcrackdwon.org or to the police on 101. Thank you for your support.

Uniform reminder

A reminder to all parents/carers that children should not be coming to school wearing face paint, transfers/tattoos or nail varnish. This detracts from the overall school uniform and can also cause a distraction from learning. In addition, please ensure your child's tights/socks are plain and either white, black, grey or green. Thank you.

Facebook

If you have a concern about something to do with your child's experience at school, we would like to suggest that the best possible route to resolve this is to come and talk to the class teacher or a member of the leadership team as soon as possible. Airing your concerns on Facebook will resolve nothing and will in fact, in all likelihood, make it worse. Whether in open or closed groups we do get to hear of such Facebook conversations. Please also ensure you are safeguarding our children and be mindful of making comments where pupils may be identifiable, even if they are unnamed. If you feel there is an issue that is important to you and your child, please talk to us, as we are the ones who can work with you to resolve it.

Piano and keyboard taster sessions

My name is Jan Tate and I am a visiting music teacher working for West Sussex Music. On Tuesdays I give piano and keyboard lessons at Summerlea School. I would be pleased to offer a free taster session to any child who might be interested, with no pressure to take up lessons afterwards.

Please let the school's office staff know if you would like a taster session for your child, or contact me direct at:

Janet.Tate@westsussexmusic.co.uk
More details about instrumental lessons in schools can be found at:
www.westsussexmusic.co.uk

The 100-word challenge Week beginning: February 6th 2017

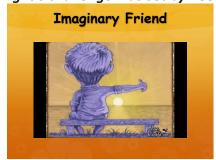
EYFS/Key Stage 1 winner

My imaginary friend

He is sometimes angry. His spikes are sharp. His tail swings. His feet stomp.

Written by Henry (Year 1, Holly Class)

This fortnight's challenge was set by Beech Class:



Key Stage 2 winner

Bunnykins

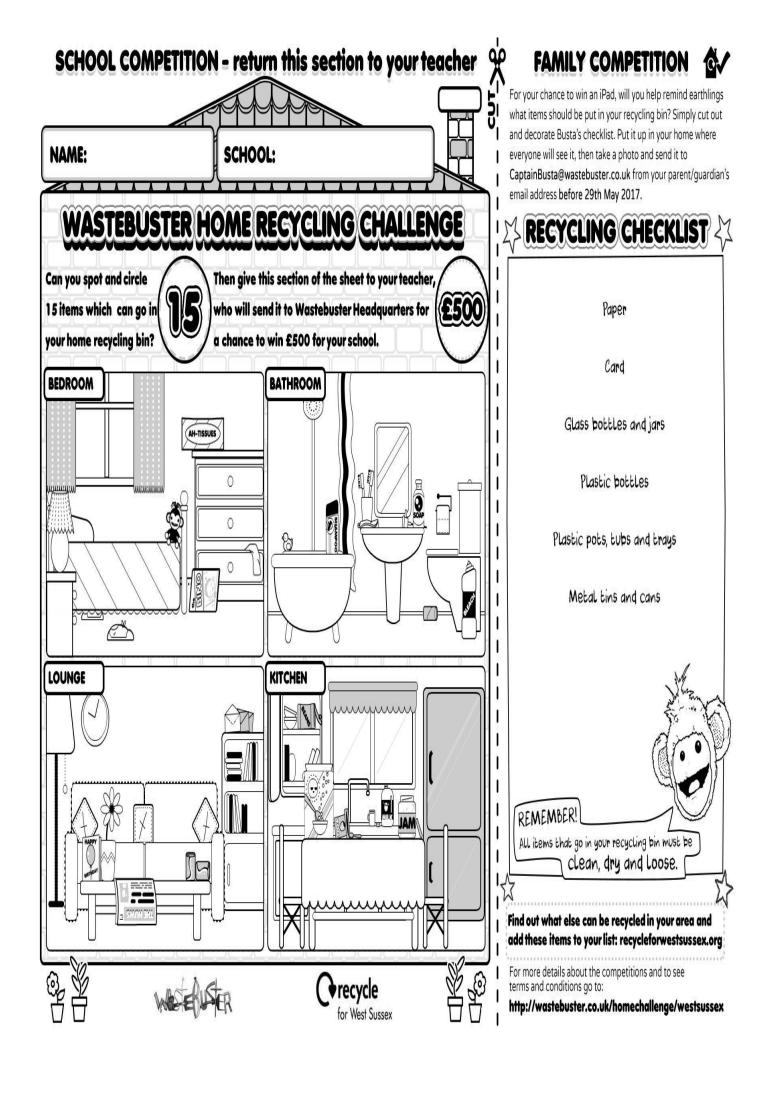
Bunnykins is my white bunny, and he is sunny, cunning and funny. But the bunny is a little rascal, and his home is a massive castle. When I go up to London, I have to lock him in the dungeon, and when I come back, I have to get him out as quick as a snap. Bunnykins is normally on my shoulder, or running from a MASSIVE boulder, which the police threw, for Bunnykins turned their faces blue, (he was using a shrew). And as I am writing this, he is ink splatting my tea dish. Imaginary friend.

Written by Frankie (Year 5, Aspen Class)

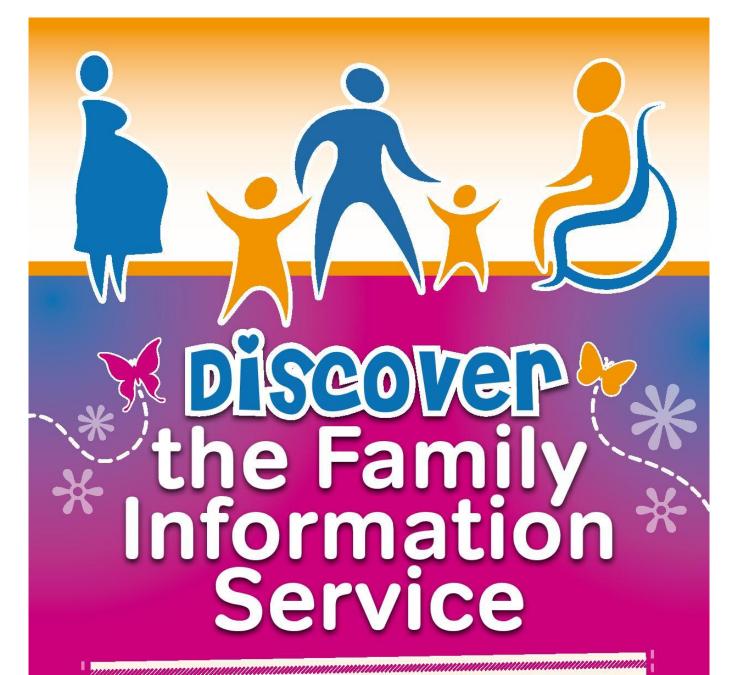
Time to read and reflect

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.

Henry has written a great description of his imaginary friend. Can you guess what it might be? Frankie has written a poem all about an imaginary friend? What is the imaginary friend like and how do you know?



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- Parent and toddler groups
- Holiday playschemes
- Specialist support
- **★and more...**



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Arun Children and Family Centres Enabling Families

Supporting families to find Solutions in order to help themselves with everyday parenting/family situations.

Littlehampton Children & Family Centre

Clun Road, Wick, Littlehampton BN17 7DZ

The Villages Children & Family Centre

Main Road, Yapton BN18 OET

Bognor Regis Nursery School & Children's Centre

85 Victoria Drive, Bognor Regis PO21 2TB

Sessions are held at the following venues Between 9.30 – 12.30

Littlehampton C&FC	The Villages C & FC, Yapton
1st and 3rd Wednesday of Month	1st and 3rd Monday of Month
2 nd and 4 th Thursday of Month	Bognor Regis Nursery School
	2 nd and 4 th Tuesday of Month

Please note: Each appointment is approximately 30 minutes.

Sessions will not be held on Public Bank Holidays and other dates may be subject to

change.

"I can usually find a solution myself or with a little direction I can"

to help me solve the problem for myses:

Families please call 01903 276840 for further information and to book an appointment







CYCLING INSTRUCTORS WANTED



Are you a keen and enthusiastic cyclist?

Would you like to share your passion for cycling?

West Sussex County Council is currently recruiting motivated individuals to help deliver Bikeability cycle training to children and adults in the Horsham, Mid-Sussex and Crawley areas.

Full training will be offered to the right candidates.

For more information please contact

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Ed Clark

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st. George's Week Design a Shield

Order and eat our Chartwells meals for a whole week and collect a shield template on Friday 28th April from your kitchen team to design at home.

This could be a family shield/school shield/food shield or any interests you may have.

The lucky winner will receive a family ticket to Arundel Castle's **Jousting & Medieval Tournament** (Family ticket: 2 adults & up to 3 children) and get your shield design printed on a t-shirt and a Tea Towel.

2 x Runners up - will get their shield design printed on a t-shirt and a Tea Towel



Order by Sunday 16th April



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