

# SUMMERLEA C.P. SCHOOL



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**NEWSLETTER 15: 07 May 2019** 

We would like to wish all of our Year 6 children good luck in their SATs next week.

They have worked incredibly hard and deserve to do brilliantly.

Well done to all of the Year 2 children for trying so hard with their quizzes too!



#### **Our Resident Ducks**

You may well have heard already that our resident ducks have once again nested in our school courtyard. We came back after the Easter to find 17 very cute and fluffy ducklings and a very proud mum! To begin with they were all moving so quickly they were impossible to count and we weren't sure exactly how many babies there were

Sadly, 2 of the ducklings were attacked last week by crows and died but the remaining 15 are all doing well and getting bigger by the day. The ducks are providing some wonderful learning opportunities for the children as they observe them and the staff are also very taken with them and consider them an extended part of our Summerlea family!

We are providing food and water for them and we will contact Wadars Animal Rescue, as we did last year, once the ducklings are ready to be re-homed.

Please follow us on Twitter for further updates @Summerleahearts.



### Week beginning 6<sup>th</sup> May

Teacher led clubs begin this week

**Tue 7<sup>th</sup>:** 5-6pm EYFS, KS1 & KS2 maths pre-teach session with Mrs Robins in the IT suite

Thurs 9<sup>th</sup>: Year 4 Robotic Day

6-9pm Mind training session on behaviour for parents – please book a place via the office

Fri 10<sup>th</sup>: Year 5 Beach trip

### Week beginning 13<sup>th</sup> May

Year 6 SATs week

Book Fair in school hall Monday to Thursday from 3pm

Mon 13<sup>th</sup>: Year 4 swimming

Wed 15<sup>th</sup> EYFS Vehicle Day

Thur 16<sup>th</sup>: Year 4 assembly to parents 2.15pm

**Fri 17<sup>th</sup>:** Year 6 to Brookfield Park

3pm Fundraising Fiesta

Please see the attached calendar of key dates and events for the summer term. Please also see our website calendar, as well as separate letters, for more information.

#### French phrase of the fortnight

Our French phrase this fortnight is:

Parlez-moi français (Speak to me in French)





















#### **Polling Day update**

Following previous communication, we are pleased that it will be business as usual on 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2019. Arun District Council will not be using our school as a Polling Station for the European elections and so we will **be open**. They have also apologised for any confusion as a few parents have kindly brought it to our attention that their polling cards name our school as the venue for the polling station. Arun District Council will shortly be re-issuing polling cards. Thank you for your cooperation and support on 2<sup>nd</sup> May when our school hall was used as Polling Station. Everything ran smoothly thanks to everyone's help. A special thank you to Mr Strong who was here to open up at 6am that morning and then came back to lock up at 11pm. He also set up all the signage and ensured our additional security measures were in place.



#### **Curriculum Guides and Homework**

Curriculum Guides for all year groups were published on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April and provide key information about this half term. They were sent electronically via ParentMail and are also available to download from our website http://www.summerlea.wsussex.sch.uk/ > Our School > Curriculum & Assessment > Curriculum Booklets. Hard copies are available from the main foyer. Homework/home-learning activities were sent home via your child on the same day. Copies were sent electronically via ParentMail and are available on our website by going to Learning Zone > How to help > Homework and selecting the relevant year group. Again, hard copies are also available from the main foyer.

#### **Apologies**

Updates\_

There were two errors in the previously issued calendar of key dates and events for the summer term. Please refer to the amended version attached. Thank you.

#### **GAMING - Apex Legends**

We know that a new game, Apex Legends, is becoming an increasingly popular online game. Although it has a long way to go before catching up with the popularity of Fortnite, we thought you might appreciate knowing a little more about it. If you have no idea what Apex Legends is, you can read a brief summary, taken from The Guardian newspaper, at the end of this newsletter.

#### **Parking**

AFEGUARDING

Please do not double park in Balmoral Close, just opposite our school on Windsor Drive, or block residents' driveways.

We had a phone call last week from a resident who needed to take a family member to the doctor and was unable to due to being blocked in. Thank you for parking considerately at drop off and pick up times.

#### **Donation**

Annie and Jessica from Year 3 have donated £10 to our FOSS library fund. We were bowled over by their generosity and thoughtfulness! Thank you girls! This is very much appreciated.

#### PE Kit Plea!

If you have any spare/old PE kits at home, that you no longer use, please could you hand them into the office, or to Miss Walker in Redwood Class? We have a shortage of spare kits to give to children who have forgotten or misplaced them, so any spares would be greatly appreciated. Thank you in advance.

#### **National Curriculum Assessment Results**

Information guides, produced by the Standards & Testing Agency for parents are now available to view via our website. These are particularly relevant if you have a child in Year 2 and Year 6. Please go to Our School > Curriculum & Assessment > Assessment information for parents and then select the relevant Key Stage.

### Governors' Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to the next governors' newsletter; we hope it finds you well and rested after the Easter break.

As you know, school leaders carried out a survey about the curriculum offer at Summerlea during parent consultation meetings in the second half of the spring term. We had 229 responses in total over the three evenings and are now in a position to share the key headlines with you.

Statement	Percentage of parents who agreed or	
	strongly agreed	
1. My child has enjoyed the themes and	98.8%	
topics covered so far.		
2. My child finds out new things in	97.4%	
lessons.		
3. My child thinks lessons are	93%	
interesting and fun.		
4. My child enjoys learning outdoors.	99.6%	
5. Forest School is a welcome addition	94.7%	
to the school.		
6. My child has enjoyed a trip, visit or	94.3%	
another special day or event.		
7. My child is taught well about online	73.8%	
safety.	(21% don't know)	
8. The school environment has exciting	94.7%	
and inspiring learning environments and		
displays.		
9. The half termly curriculum guides	90%	
are useful.		
10. Having homework separate from	83%	
the curriculum guides and in hard copy		
is useful.		
11. The school provides a good range of	82.1%	
clubs.		
12. The school's website contains	75.6%	
useful information about the	(14.4% don't know)	
curriculum.		
13. The school provides a broad and	94.8%	
balanced curriculum.		

Overall, the results were very positive with many 90%+. We are pleased that Ofsted also commended the "broad, balanced and rich curriculum" provided for our pupils.

In relation to some statements (for example number 7 and 12), there were quite a higher percentage of "don't knows". All of this information, including comments added to the 'free text' box at the end of the survey will be shared with the leadership team in order for them to reflect on strengths and any actions to be taken. The feedback you provide in surveys helps us improve as a school. If you have any important issues that cannot wait, class teachers, phase leaders and senior leaders are always happy to answer questions and listen to any concerns.

As you are all aware, the Ofsted report, following the inspection carried out last term, has now been published. The inspection team was fair but extremely rigorous. Although the outcome was disappointing for us all, the hard work that has been put in by everyone has been recognised by Ofsted. They could see the impact of the plans put in place to bring about school improvement.

The leadership and management team, which includes governors, is continuing the work begun with the Rapid Improvement plan 2017-18 and, latterly the School Improvement Plan 2018-19.

It is always heartening to hear from inspectors just how amazing our pupils are. They are consistently a credit to the school, and during the inspection, once again, they showed the wonderful behaviour, kindness and respect that they are well known for and we were incredibly proud of them.

As governors of the school, we continue to work hard for the benefit of all stakeholders at Summerlea. The inspection report has not diminished our resolve to support and challenge the school leaders. Indeed, we have three new members of the board whom we are incredibly happy to welcome.

First is Mrs Sue Meekings our new Local Authority Governor, whom I am sure you have already met during parents' events. Sue comes to us with a wealth of knowledge having been a head of a Special School, recently retired. Secondly, we welcomed Mr Clive Patterson-Lett as a Co-opted Governor, a retired chief inspector of police who has had a great deal of experience with all age groups. Thirdly, but by no means least, is Mrs Sara Hughes, a governor whose job around safeguarding at West Sussex gives us the benefit of her wealth of knowledge in this area.

Sara originally joined our Governing Body as a Co-opted Governor but has now swapped over to the Parent Governor role, as agreed with WSCC Governor Services, due to no interest in the last 2 rounds of Parent Governor vacancy advertisements. Sara is a parent to a pupil in our current Reception year. I am sure you will make them as welcome as we have and they look forward to meeting you all in school when visiting.

We currently have two Co-opted Governor vacancies so if you know of anyone that would be interested in applying please ask them to contact the Clerk to the Governing Body at <a href="mailto:clerk@summerleaschool.co.uk">clerk@summerleaschool.co.uk</a>. The documentation for the current Co-opted Governor vacancies are on our school website (Our School > Vacancies > Co-opted Governors).

As Chair of Governors, I was pleased to present the annual report to the Rustington Parish Council on the 11<sup>th</sup> April 2019. There were several schools represented, as well as the local police inspector for the area. Whilst budget constraints were discussed, from the parish council to county council to national level, it was clear that a lot of good work is happening in the area, not least the opening of the new leisure centre in Littlehampton. There is also a lot of volunteer work happening via the local churches.

Once again I hope you all had a relaxing holiday. We look forward to this summer term when so many exciting teaching and learning opportunities can take place.

Mrs Bev Crowter (Chair of Governors)



#### Summerlea CP School

#### Calendar of School Events

### **TERM DATES FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2018-19:**

Autumn term: Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September – Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December

**INSET day**: Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September

Half-term: Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October - Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October

Spring term: Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> January – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April

INSET days: Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Friday 4<sup>th</sup> January and 11<sup>th</sup> February

Half-term: Monday 18<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February

Summer term: Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April – Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July

Half-term: Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May

INSET days: Friday 7th June

#### Summer Term 2019

The following dates and events are provided to give you an overview for this term. There are likely to be alterations and additions as we go along and we will notify you of these in the usual way, either by using ParentMail, by sending home a letter or via our website.

April 2019			
Tue	23	Start of summer term	
		NO CLUBS THIS WEEK	
		2.15pm EYFS outdoor area opening ceremony	
Mon	29	Externally led clubs start	
	10	Year 4 swimming starts	
Tue	30	Year 1 Forest School begins	
		2.30pm Key Stage 2 maths pre teach sessions for	
1		parents	
May 2019			
Wed	01	2.30pm EYFS and Key Stage 1 maths pre teach	
4		sessions for parents	
Thurs	02	Polling Day – school open (a further letter will follow	
		outlining arrangements for the day)	
Mon	06	May Day Bank Holiday – school closed	
Tue	07	Teacher led clubs begin	
		5pm maths pre-teach drop in for parents in the IT suite	
Thurs	09	Year 4 Robotic day	
		6pm Mind Training session for parents/carers	
Fri	10	Year 5 trip to the beach	

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Mon	13	Year 6 SATs week		
		Book fair in school Monday to Thursday		
		Year 4 swimming		
Wed	15	EYFS vehicle day		
Thurs	16	2.15pm Year 4 Assembly to parents		
Fri	17	3pm Fundraising Fiesta		
Mon	20	Year 6 Residential Week		
		Year 4 swimming		
Thurs	23	Possible school closure due to Polling Day and		
		European elections (still to be confirmed)		
Fri	24	End of half term		
		27 <sup>th</sup> to 31 <sup>st</sup> May Half term week		
June 2019				
Mon	03	STEM week		
		Year 4 swimming		
		RepTylers visiting Year 5		
Tue	04	Year 5 & 6 Top up swimming (TBC)		
Wed	05	EYFS trip to Staunton Country Park		
Fri	07	INSET day - school closed		
Sat	08	Schools' Art Exhibition Launch at Littlehampton		
		Museum		
Mon	10	KS1 Phonics screening check week		
	Ì	Year 4 swimming		
Tue	11	Year 5 & 6 Top up swimming (TBC)		
Thurs	13	Year 2 trip to Marwell Zoo		
		6pm Welcome meeting for new EYFS parents		
		(September 2019 intake)		
Fri	14	School Pupil Council representatives visit to London		
Mon	17	Year 4 swimming		
3000 to 4000 to 1000		6pm Dragons' Den event at TLA for Year 4		
		representatives		
Tue	18	Year 5 & 6 Top up swimming (TBC)		
Wed	19	Sports day		
Fri	21	Reserve Sports day		
Mon	24	National School Sports Week		
		Year 4 swimming		
Tue	25	Year 5 & 6 Top up swimming (TBC)		
Wed	26	TLA vulnerable pupil transition meeting		
Thurs	27	6pm A real song and dance		
Fri	28	FOSS Non-uniform day for the non-tin tombola		
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Mon	01	Year 4 swimming		
Tue	02	Year 5 & 6 Top up swimming (TBC)		
Wed	03	Transition Day		
Thurs	04	TLA transition day 2		
Fri	05	4.30pm FOSS Summer Fair		
	100	Teacher led clubs finish today		
Mon	00			
Mon	08	Year 6 production week		

		Year 4 swimming	
Thurs	11	3.30pm stay and play session for new EYFS starters	
Fri	12	Externally led clubs finish	
Tue	16	3.30pm stay and play session for new EYFS starters	
Wed	17	2.45pm Celebration of learning	
Thurs	18	3.15pm onwards FOSS summer discos	
Sun	21	Gathering of goblins at Goodwood (representatives from Year 5 and 6 Kit Car club)	
Tue	23	2pm Year 6 Leavers' Assembly	
		Last day of term – school closes at 3pm (No ASCC)	

The new academic year begins on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September and this will be an INSET day. School will re-open on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September. We will notify you of the dates of our other 4 INSET days in due course.

# Apex Legends: a parents' guide to the 'new Fortnite'

Taken from The Guardian newspaper.

Surprise-released in February, Apex Legends has taken the world of online gaming by storm, attracting more than 50 million players within a month. But what is it about this Fortnite-style battle royale blaster that has made it such a huge success, and should parents be concerned?

Here's everything you need to know.

#### What is Apex Legends?

Developed by Californian studio Respawn Entertainment, Apex Legends is the latest game in the battle royale genre of online multiplayer shooters, popularised by <u>PlayerUnknown's</u>

<u>Battlegrounds</u> (PUBG) and Fortnite. Up to 20 teams of three players are dropped on to a large island where they must scavenge for weapons and supplies before engaging in deadly combat with each other. The last squad alive wins.

Before a round begins players, must choose one of six characters, each with special skills. For example, Bloodhound can scan the area for enemies and mark their positions, Wraith can open up portals allowing for quick escapes, and Bangalore can call in a devastating airstrike. There are three extra characters which are locked from the outset, but can be accessed by earning experience points through play, or by spending money.

Unlike other battle royale games, players are able to revive downed teammates – this adds a tense new strategic element. Apex Legends also uses clever non-verbal communication that lets you highlight specific items on the map, such as weapons, health packs and enemy targets, thereby alerting your friends.

Reviews have praised the excellent balance, slick production, and highly tactical gameplay.

#### Where did it come from?

Developer Respawn Entertainment was founded by Vince Zampella and Jason West, who previously ran Infinity Ward, the studio behind groundbreaking multiplayer shooter <u>Call of Duty 4: Modern Warfare</u>. Apex Legends is set in the same universe as the company's Titanfall series of sci-fi shooters – as with those games, its environment combines hi-tech installations with swamps, villages and craggy mountain passes, though its trademark giant robot suits are absent. Respawn said it had tried adding these to Apex but they had unbalanced the game. It's possible they will appear in a later update, though.

As with Fortnite, Apex Legends is free to download on PC, PS4 and Xbox One, so it's easy to get hold of. It has somewhat piggybacked the massive popularity of Fortnite, but removes that game's construction element, which has divided audiences. Apex Legends also has a more gritty and mature aesthetic with interesting, diverse characters and stylish weapons and technologies; it is therefore perfectly targeted at gamers who feel they have outgrown the cartoonish look and feel of Fortnite, but aren't yet ready for (or allowed to play) darker more militaristic shooters such as PUBG and Call of Duty.

#### What if my child has a different console than their friends?

Unlike Fortnite, Apex Legends has no crossplay facility, so your children will only be able to play against friends who have the same machine, whether that's a PC, PS4 or Xbox One.

The game is free to download and play. As with <u>Fortnite</u>, there are in-game purchases available. Players can buy Apex Coins (1,000 coins cost £7.99), which then allow them to purchase locked characters, special weapon designs or Apex Packs, which cost 100 Apex Coins and contain three random items.

Apex Legends has just introduced a Fortnite-style "season" feature, which means every three months, a fresh season starts and new features and items are added. At the start of each season, players are able to buy a Battle Pass for 950 Apex Coins, which gives them gradual access to 100 exclusive weapon and character skins, unlocked by playing. Apex Legends season one is called Wild Frontier, and although it has added a new unlockable character, Octane, it looks much less expansive than the season updates in Fortnite, which tend to include major scenic changes.

Nothing you can buy with real money in the game will give you any sort of gameplay advantage – all the items except for the locked characters (which can also be accessed for free by playing the game and earning experience points) are cosmetic enhancements.

#### How do I limit how much they play?

If they're playing on an Xbox or PlayStation you can use the <u>parental controls</u>to limit the length of gaming sessions (or ban them from the game entirely if you're feeling despotic). It's a good idea to set definite play sessions of, say, an hour or 90 minutes using some kind of timer (a stopwatch, an egg timer, or maybe ask <u>Alexa</u> for a countdown). You may need to have a Mastermind-style "I've started so I'll finish" rule though: as with Fortnite, matches can last up to 20 minutes and if you demand they finish playing in the middle of a game, they'll leave team-mates in the lurch and lose any points they've earned during that bout. That's going to cause a lot of resentment.

In the US, Apex Legends is rated T for Teen, recommended for ages 13 and over. In Europe, it has a <u>Pegi age rating</u> of 16+ due to its "sustained depictions of violence against human characters". The game's weapons, which include shotguns, submachine guns and sniper rifles, have much more visual and auditory authenticity than the weapons in Fortnite, and some feel the game's use of a first-person view (contrasting with Fortnite's third-person camera which shows the player character on the screen) creates a more intense experience. There are also blood splatters on screen when a character sustains damage.

#### Is there anything else I should know?

Unlike Fortnite, Apex Legends players can't choose to play alone or in pairs – everyone has to join a squad of three people. If your child is not online with friends, the game will automatically put them into a squad with two random strangers. If those players have headsets they'll be able to chat during play and, unless you have blocked voice comms, your child will be able to hear them. Also, if your child has a headset with a mic, they'll be able to chat too.





Dear Parents / Carers,

We are pleased to announce we will be delivering, football session for girls aged 5-11 years old as part of the FA Wildcats initiative and these sessions will be at The Littlehampton Academy from June.

Premier SSE Wildcats Centres have fun, make friends, play football. SSE Wildcats Girls' Football Centres provide girls with regular opportunities to play football and take part in organised sessions in a fun and engaging environment created exclusively for girls. The sessions take place on a weekly basis and will provide a safe environment where girls with no football experience can; have fun engaging with sport, develop fundamental skills, try a variety of sessions, learn new things and create foundations for a lifelong love of sport.



Mondays 5-6pm

June 3<sup>rd</sup>, June 10<sup>th</sup>, June 17<sup>th</sup>, June 24<sup>th</sup>, July 1<sup>st</sup>, July 8<sup>th</sup> and July 15<sup>th</sup>

First session is free (3<sup>rd</sup> June) turn up & play sessions (£3 per session, paid in cash to the coach)

Coaches - Paris Akehurst and Nick Eccles

To book – TLA Wildcats sessions

Let's educate and activate the world.

# **Mad Hatter's Tea Party**

Saturday 1 June 2019
2.00 - 4.00 pm
Delicious tea, games
and activities!
Tickets £7 per child

Parents/guardians to accompany please
Please book by Friday 24 May









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# **10AM TILL NOON**

- 1st of March STARBUCKS COMMUNITY ROOM, **QUEEN SQUARE, CRAWLEY, RH10 1DY**
- 14th of May ALDINGBOURNE COUNTY CENTRE, **NEAR CHICHESTER, PO18 0JP**
- ▶ 11th of June CAFE NERO, HAYWARDS HEA
- 7th of November HASKINS GARDEN **CENTRE, NEAR WORTHING BN16 4BD**

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## West Sussex Fun Run League

# Beach Run

Arunners Running Club www.arunners.co.uk

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2019
Junior Race (approx 1 mile) 7:00pm
Senior Race (approx 5 miles) 7:30pm

There is a race limit of 800 runners (Senior and Junior) so please enter early

#### Junior Run

(under 15) 1 mile on grass and promenade Medals to all finishers Entries in advance £1 Entries on the day £1 (if available)

#### Senior Run

(15 and over)
approximately 5 miles, mostly on sand
Spot Prizes
Entries in advance from WSFRL clubs £3: others £5
All entries on the day £7 (if available)

# Entry Form for Senior Run / Junior Run [delete as applicable]

Postal entries [by 16th May with 9x6 SAE and correct first class postage] to
Nick Rusbridge, 17 Kingfisher Drive, Littlehampton BN17 7GX with a cheque payable to Arunners RC
or by email for collection on the day <a href="mailto:rusbridge4@sky.com">rusbridge4@sky.com</a>

Disabled runners are welcome to contact the race organiser (<a href="mailto:philmcerlain@hotmail.com">philmcerlain@hotmail.com</a>) to discuss suitability. No dogs please. As part of the run may involve running next to traffic, no personal music players either.

First Name		_ Surname:	Male / Female
Address: _			
Tel no: _			
Age [on da	y of race]	Club Name	
Emerger	ncy contact name and	d phone number for this runner	
Cheques payable to ARUNNERS RC		:	Entry Fee:
Directions	/ instructions will be sent v	vith race number	
By signing th	his form, I confirm that:		
i)	I am medically fit to cor participation in this eve	[] [ [ [ [ [ [ [ [ [ [ [ [ [ [ [ [ [ [	not be liable for any accident, injury, loss or damage arising from my
ii)	Arunners will publish my personal information as part of the results of this event and may pass such information to the administrators of the West Sussex Fun Run League, to athletics governing bodies or to any affiliated organisation for the purpose of insurance, licensing, or for publishing results (either for the event alone or combined with or compared to other events). Results may include (but not be limited to) name, gender, any club affiliation, race times, and age category, and these details will be passed on to other clubs in the West Sussex Fun Run League and be published on websites (including, without limitation, West Sussex Fun Run League and Sussex Races).		
Signed:		Date:	(by parent or guardian if under 15 on race date)

Starting point: Littlehampton West Green next to The Windmill Harvester Restaurant, Littlehampton, BN17 5LH Ample parking, St John Ambulance, public toilets, tea and coffee, cakes!