

# NEWSLETTER

## Message from Mr O'Regan

A very warm welcome to all our new pupils who have joined West St Leonards this week, including our Reception children. Everyone looks so smart in their uniforms and there is a real buzz around the school. It was lovely to hear the Year 5 and 6's singing in assembly this week– we have all greatly missed this part of school life.

The facility building works have now completed– we were delighted to have had Dr John Smith (CEO of our Trust) Alison Jeffery (Director of Children's Services for East Sussex) and Helen Cottell, (Senior Manager SEN Practice and Standards ISEND) join our chair of the local federated board, Caroline Masterson, alongside pupils and parents to officially open the three care suites. I thank all involved for supporting this project which will enable our pupils to be more independent and increases their integration with their peers which will positively impact on their learning outcomes.

Well done to Orla, Heidi and Phoenix who have been awarded the excellent learning and friendship tie this week, I'm very proud of you.



## Golden Bugs

Here at our brilliant school we know that reading every day is vital to keep our brains topped up with brand new facts and that remembering what we have learnt helps our knowledge to grow at an impressive rate!

Bug Club is an amazing resource that allows every child to access both fiction and non-fiction at their reading level. The level is allocated by your child's teacher. Your child has been allocated a username and password.

Every week we will be looking to see which children have accessed the most quizzes when they have read their books and the busiest reader will be the Golden Bug for that week! These names are published in all their dazzling glory on our school newsletter for all to see!

Reading is of the utmost importance to us here at WSLPA and this brilliant resource - Bug Club- can be used on laptops, tablets and smartphones to ensure that a book is never unavailable to our children in this busy modern world. Books accessed on Bug Club should be recorded in your child's reading record and will count towards achieving the impressive accolade of being a x7 reader.



## Opportunity to Meet your Child's Teacher

We are extremely pleased to announce the return of our informal parent drop in for term 1, allowing parents and carers to visit their child's class and meet the new teachers for this academic year just as the Reception and Doves classes have been able to do already. This year however, we will be changing the format slightly to accommodate the amount of people we have in the building at one time:

20<sup>th</sup> September – Year 1 and Year 6

21<sup>st</sup> September – Year 2 and Year 5

22<sup>nd</sup> September – Year 4

23<sup>rd</sup> September – Year 3

The session will commence at 2:30pm on the day highlighted above and will finish at 2:50pm to allow children the opportunity to prepare for the end of the school day and be collected from their usual exit doors at 3:00pm or 3:10pm depending on their finish time.

## Y1 Handwriting Heroes

In Year 1 we are searching for handwriting heroes each week. Every Friday your child will be sent home with a handwriting sheet to complete and return on the following Monday. These letters will be grouped by 'families' of formation.

On Monday, a handwriting hero will be chosen for each Year 1 class and their writing proudly displayed for all to see. This week the focus is in 'down and off' letters.

You can watch the formation tutorial videos by clicking [here](#). You can also find an introductory video [here](#) about our handwriting format and guidance on supporting your children's fine motor skills. We look forward to seeing lots of wonderful handwriting.



## IMPORTANT REMINDER

Please be mindful when packing your child's packed lunch that it does not contain any nuts or items containing nuts or nut oils as there are children that could suffer severe allergic reactions if they were to come into contact with these.

Examples of the type of items you should avoid would be:

Peanut butter, ANY chocolate spread, Bueno bars, cereal / nut bars. If you are unsure of a product, kindly check the list of ingredients and avoid anything with the mention of nuts.



## Road closure for six weeks

Please note the upgrade to the gas network in Harley Shute Road will be starting 13th September until 22nd October. SGN will need to close Harley Shute Road from the junction with Harley Way to the junction of Bexhill Road. If you usually use the Bexhill Road junction, please allow additional time as this may significantly increase journey times.

## End of day collection

Thank you to everyone who has so far completed the online collection form via Parentmail. If you have not yet done so, please take a moment to submit your form. This helps us to know who may collect your child and helps us keep them safe.

To ensure pupils' safety and well-being it is important that their adult collects them at the correct times. Pupils in Reception, Years 1, 2, 3 and 6 are to be collected promptly at 3:00 p.m. and pupils in Years 4 and 5 at 3:10 p.m. Children can sometimes get anxious when their adults are not on time to collect them and we would like to avoid this where possible.

Please remember to allow space for teachers and children to ensure the safety of all.

## Volunteers

If you would like to **volunteer** to support our children with reading, music or gardening please email the office with the subject line 'volunteer' so we can send you further information.

## Reception—outdoor learning in our Woodland Glade



## Politeness Cup

Celebrating our children with impeccable manners who put a smile on our faces. We focus on many POW values each week but we know how politeness can support them all. Well done to Sneha (Y1) and Elsie B (Y3)



Sneha

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Elsie B

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## Breakfast club and After school club

Please note the booking system has changed– you no longer need to apply. Simply ensure you book and pay on parent pay each Wednesday by 23:59 weekly or termly.

From 20th September after school club will change timings to 15:00-17:45 and will move back to the Skylarks room (to the left hand side of the school hall). The school will provide a snack and activities to include reading, art, cooking and PE.



## Summer Holiday Food Vouchers

We have been asked to remind parents and carers to redeem their summer holiday food vouchers **by the expiry date of 30 September 2021**. To redeem your voucher, parents/carers need to log onto the Huggg website to pick which supermarket you want – you will then have a longer period of time in which to spend the redeemed voucher. Full instructions are provided on: <https://knowledge.huggg.me/en/how-do-i-access-my-voucher> Any unredeemed vouchers cannot be extended beyond the 30 September 2021.

## Changes to PE Days

Ducklings class PE days are changing to **Wednesday** and **Friday**.

## Starting Secondary School in September 2022

Read about how to apply [here](#). The online application systems opens today, Friday 10 September 2021.

## Change to end of term date in Term 6 2022.

Please note– the end of Term 6 is now Thursday 21st July.

## Donations

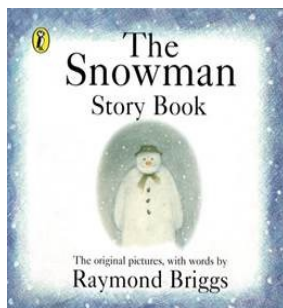
A big thank you to Mrs Mead for donating musical instruments and to several parents who have donated uniform which we distribute on request.

## Recommended Read (Reception)

### **The Snowman | Author: Raymond Briggs**

James builds a snowman in the garden, then wakes up in the night to find that it has come to life. He shows the Snowman his home, and in return, the Snowman whisks him away on a very special journey.

This beautiful picture book is a classic. The stunning illustrations beautifully convey the story of a small boy's magical friendship with a snowman. Full of love and imagination, this is an extraordinary and atmospheric tale that the whole family can enjoy.





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## P+M AFTER SCHOOL MULTISPORTS

Dear Parent,

We are pleased to inform you that from Monday 6th September Pass+Move will be running after school MultiSports Club for West St. Leonards Primary Academy.

Sessions will be running from 15.15 until 16.15. Sessions will be £4 per session. Payable a term in advance. The schedule is below.

Monday - KS2 'TENNIS/BADMINTON'  
Tuesday - KS1 'FOOTBALL'  
Tuesday - KS2 'MULTISPORTS'  
Wednesday - KS2 'FOOTBALL'  
Thursday - KS1 'MULTISPORTS'

PAYMENT MUST BE MADE VIA OUR ONLINE BOOKING SYSTEM.

Please go to [www.pass-move.com](http://www.pass-move.com) and click on the tab for Booking School Clubs. Under this section you will find a secure online portal with relevant links for your specific school.

Children will need indoor and outdoor footwear and attire and plenty to drink.

Please note that if your child is not booked on 24 hours in advance to the first session they will not be able to take part and will be returned to the school office, who will in turn contact you. We require every child to be booked on correctly for Health and Safety and Safeguarding reasons. Should you wish to pay in cash please contact [passmove@outlook.com](mailto:passmove@outlook.com) to arrange making payment.

The Pass+Move Family

Please note:

- Bookings must be made and paid for in advance.
- Spaces may be limited and will be offered on a first come first served basis.
- If an outdoor session is not possible an indoor game/quiz session will be offered where facilities are available.

Company Registration  
Number:

## Gold Awards

We continue to award children each week for showing their POW values and showing Excellent Learning and Friendship. Here are the gold awards for this week.



**Puffins - Bee**

Bee for a great start to school and always being polite and helpful. Well done Bee.



**Ducklings - George**

George has made a fantastic start to school. He has been helping his new friends and showing his thoughtfulness. POW! Well done George.



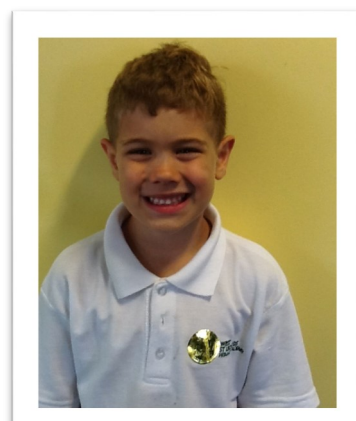
**Robins - Isaac**

Isaac is always attentive in the classroom and works exceptionally hard in everything that he does. He has provided excellent ideas during class discussions. Well done Isaac!



**Blackbirds - Rudy**

Rudy for working hard in PE and listening to instructions quickly and effectively. Rudy has been helpful in class and had a great attitude toward his learning. Well done Rudy.



**Warblers - Joseph**

Joseph has been trying really hard to show his self-control. POW value and been incredibly helpful and efficient with giving out resources. Thankyou so much Joseph- keep up this great attitude to your learning!



**Kingfishers - Evie**

Evie has had a fantastic start in Year 2. Evie is always ready for her learning and is a great role model for our class and across the Year group - well done!

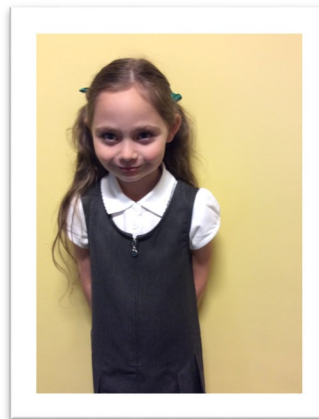






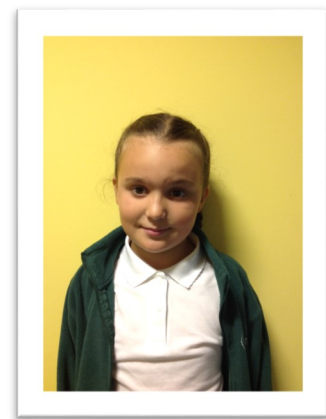
**Nightingales - Elsie C**

Elsie C for showing her independence POW value in lessons. Elsie has a fantastic attitude towards her learning, and she is to be congratulated for the superb start she has made to Year 3. Well done, Elsie!



**Sandmartins - Connie**

Connie has had a fantastic start to Year 3. Her presentation is already looking great and she is showing a real attitude to her learning, a real role model.



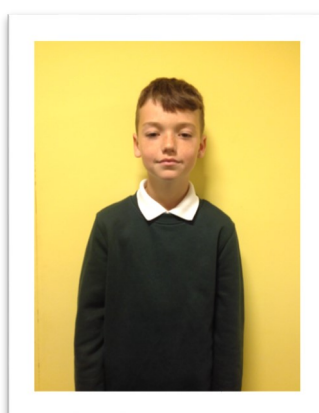
**Avocets - Heidi**

Heidi for settling in fantastically to Year 4 and for her brilliant perseverance this week. Keep up this amazing attitude!



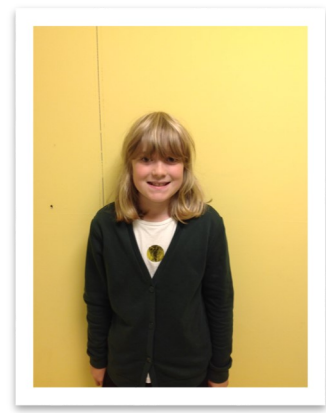
**Oystercatchers - Jensen**

Jensen has made a really positive start to his writing by coming up with some really creative and suspenseful pieces of work. He is also always enthusiastic about his writing so well done Jensen.



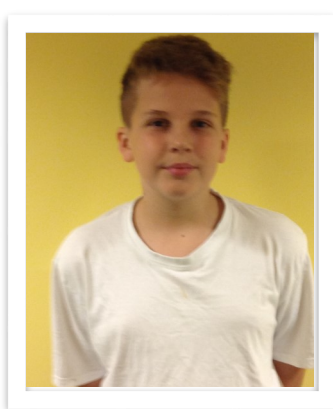
**Heron - Jack**

Jack for showing perseverance and enthusiasm in maths when rounding five, and six-digit numbers. Keep up the good work - you can do it!



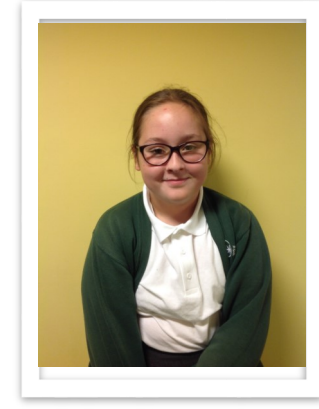
**Cranes - Olivia**

Olivia for her spectacular perseverance this week. She has been working extremely hard to round numbers to 10, 100 and 1000. Your hard work has been inspiring! Miss Carter is very proud - keep up the super work!



**Razorbills - Charlie**

Charlie for his great work in drumming this week and impressive participation in class showing the excellent behaviour for learning at WSL.



**Swifts - Isabella**

Isabella for showing faultless self-control, fabulous co-operation and always offering to help others - you are an asset to the class!



**Doves - Sapphire**

Sapphire for showing a great attitude towards her learning on return to school after the summer holidays.



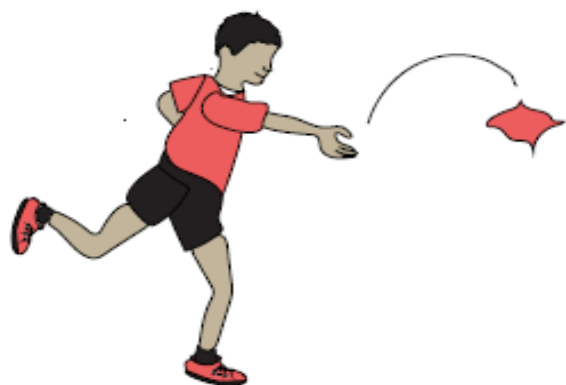
## Battleships PE Home Learning



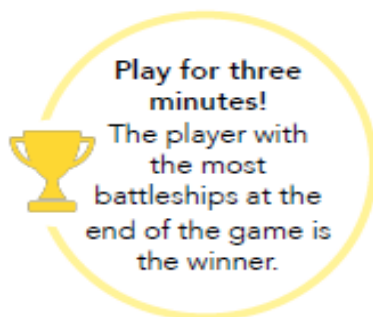
Can you  
play fairly  
and keep  
the score?

### Time to Learn:

- Play with a partner. Each player places three targets known as battleships in front of them.
- Players take turns to throw an object towards their opponent's battleships.
- Each time a battleship is hit, it is removed.
- Players are not allowed to stop the object from hitting a battleship.
- The winner is the first player to hit all of their partner's battleships.



**Play on your own!**  
How many attempts does it take you to hit all three targets?



**Play for three minutes!**  
The player with the most battleships at the end of the game is the winner.



**Have a competition!**  
Create a league table and play against different family members.

### Top Tips

#### Throwing Underarm

- Step forwards with one foot, releasing the ball from low to high using your opposite hand.



### Let's Reflect

What did you learn after each throw to adapt for the next?

How did you keep focused?



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## Open Evening

You are warmly invited to attend our  
**Open Evening** on Thursday 14 October  
6.00-8.30pm.

**Open Morning Tours** will be held 9.10 & 10.10am  
on 12th - 13th - 18th & 19th October.

Advance booking for the **Open Morning** tours is  
essential; please contact Reception on  
**01580 880360** to book.

*Tour spaces are limited, so please book early  
to avoid disappointment.*

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## **FREE Gardening Equipment for your school!**

Become a Morrisons Growing School and get FREE gardening equipment for your school!

At Morrisons we want to get the next generation growing, because the more kids know about how food's grown and made, the better they'll eat, now and in the future.

That's why we've created It's Good to Grow, a collector scheme where you can exchange Grow Tokens for gardening equipment for your school.

More information can be found on the next page.



# How does it work?

Once you're registered to the scheme anyone can take part in collecting **Grow Tokens** for your school.

Between 6th September and 24th October 2021 all they need to do is download the *MyMorrisons* app or visit the website, head to the *It's Good To Grow* section and select your school to donate their **Grow Tokens** to.

They will get one **Grow Token** for every £10 spent in store or online and can donate these straight to you via the app or website.

After the collection period ends you'll be able to redeem your **Grow Tokens** against a wide range of gardening equipment for school.



Mini Greenhouses



Watering Cans



Wheelbarrows



Seeds



Trowels & spades



Plant Pots

...and many more!





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## **20/21 CURRENT MEAL PRICES**

**SECONDARY £2.20**

**PRIMARY £2.20**

## **21/22 NEW MEAL PRICES**

**SECONDARY £2.31**

**PRIMARY £2.31**



# CATERING MEAL PRICE RISES



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## **OUR SCHOOL MEAL PROVIDER CHARTWELLS HAVE RAISED THEIR COSTS, BUT FEAR NOT!**

COVID-19 AND BREXIT HAVE HAD A BIG IMPACT ON THE WAY THAT COMPANIES OPERATE. THIS HAS LED TO INFLATION AND SHORTAGES IN SUPPLY CHAINS WHICH HAS HAD A KNOCK-ON EFFECT.

WORKING WITH CHARTWELLS, WE HAVE NEGOTIATED THE BEST PRICES FOR ALL.

WE HAVE APPOINTED A CONTRACT MANAGER AND FOOD AMBASSADOR TO DEVELOP DELICIOUS AND NUTRITIONAL FOOD CHOICES WITH INPUT FROM PARENTS AND PUPILS.

WE DIDN'T WANT TO COMPROMISE THE QUALITY OF THE FOOD OR SERVICE FOR COST, AND MANAGED TO ENSURE THAT:



**ALL ACADEMIES ARE TREATED  
FAIRLY AND EQUALLY**

**FINAL FIGURES ARE LESS THAN INITIAL  
MEAL PRICES PROPOSED BY CHARTWELLS**

**PRICES ARE ONLY A FRACTION ABOVE OR  
BELOW COUNTY COUNCIL PRICES**

**MEAL PRICE INCREASE  
IS 4.8%**





# Stay and Play Family Learning

Introduction into Development Matters



## Growing Together

Supporting Child Development through Play

**Where:** The Community Learning Centre, 464 Bexhill Rd, St. Leonards-on-Sea  
TN38 8AU

**When:** Tuesdays 10 - 11.30 am, 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th September and  
5th October, 2021

**Cost:** Free

To book a place, contact Jen on 01424 722241

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- Physical activity, play and ideas for the 0-5s
- Health and well-being

**Please bring along your own pens and water bottles**

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