

NEWSLETTER



Message from Mr O'Regan

Happy New Year and welcome back everyone.

In the Principal's assembly this week, I set a challenge for the children to complete at home: choose a member of the Royal family and invite them to West St Leonards on the 6th June 2022 to celebrate [HM The Queen's Platinum Jubilee](#) and the school's silver jubilee. The date marks 25 years to the day The Queen opened the school (which some of our parents attended as pupils). The deadline for the letter is Friday 21st January, when we will send all the letters together to Buckingham Palace.



Please see the newsletter for a reminder of upcoming dates for this term as well as an overview of our other Jubilee related events that we are planning this year.

Valentine cake sale in aid of the Connor Saunders Foundation. (The charity who helped us obtain our defibrillator)	11.02.22. Please bring your baked goods donations to the main office on the day.
Last day of Term 3	11.02.2022
NEW: Plant a tree for the Jubilee– The Queen's Green Canopy	TBC March 2022
NEW: The Big Jubilee Lunch	06.06.2022



PE in Term 3

We now ask that your child comes into school in PE kit on their PE day. Your child will remain in full PE kit for the whole day. Therefore, please remember to dress appropriately for the weather.

A reminder of the PE kit expectations

- A white WSLPA t-shirt or plain white top
- Dark green PE shorts
- Dark green or black jogging bottoms/leggings
- An unbranded sweatshirt or school jumper
- Black plimsolls or appropriate sports trainers

Puffins	Tuesday and Wednesday
Ducklings	Tuesday and Thursday
Robins	Tuesday and Wednesday
Blackbirds	Tuesday and Wednesday
Warblers	Thursday and Friday
Kingfishers	Thursday and Friday
Sandmartins	Monday and Thursday
Nightingales	Monday and Thursday
Avocets	Monday and Friday
Oystercatchers	Monday and Friday
Hérons	Monday and Friday
Cranes	Monday and Friday
Razorbills	Wednesday and Thursday
Swifts	Wednesday and Thursday

Changes to the Newsletter Format

With so much excellent learning and examples of POW values, there is always so much happening in school that we wish to share with our parents and carers. You may have noticed this from the length of our most recent newsletters.

To support this wealth of excellent information we wish to celebrate with you, we will be moving to a different newsletter format next week which uses Microsoft Sway. This will continue to be shared with you through the usual means of Parentmail. We look forwards to sharing this with you.

Principal's Award Stickers

Despite being a shorter week, it is apparent that children have come back to school with plenty of ways to show their POW values and their concentration on their work. Some children in particular have shone for the way in which they have been a role model to others, have remembered to keep the quality of their writing neat or for showing clear enthusiasm about all the learning across the week.

Whilst we await the launch of our new style of newsletter and the way in which we will present our Gold Awards, we wanted to celebrate the efforts of these children in a different way this week by awarding them with the Principal Award stickers. These are typically awarded for when children bring their exceptional displays of knowledge to show Mr O' Regan and Mr Horgan.

Well done to the children below for showing in only a few days the same dedication that West St Leonards children show across a whole week:

Ducklings – Max

Puffins – William

Blackbirds – Lillie

Robins – Sonny

Kingfishers – Freddie

Warblers – Jacob

Nightingales – Verity

Sandmartins – Aleksandra-Mae

Oystercatchers – Mela

Avocets – Delilah

Cranes – Megan

Hérons – Ronnie

Razorbills – Alfie

Swifts – Evan

Doves - George



Recommended Read

The Iron Man by Ted Hughes

The Iron Man came to the top of the cliff.

Where had he come from? Nobody knows.

How was he made? Nobody knows.

Mankind must put a stop to the dreadful destruction by the Iron Man and set a trap for him, but he cannot be kept down. Then, when a terrible monster from outer space threatens to lay waste to the planet, it is the Iron Man who finds a way to save the world.



About the Author:

Ted Hughes (1930-1998) was born in Yorkshire. His first book, *The Hawk in the Rain*, was published in 1957 by Faber and Faber and was followed by many volumes of poetry and prose for adults and children. He received the Whitbread Book of the Year for two consecutive years for his last published collections of poetry, *Tales from Ovid* (1997) and *Birthday Letters* (1998). He was Poet Laureate from 1984 and, in 1998, he was appointed to the Order of Merit.

Year 3 Trip

Year 3 will be participating in an Egyptian Workshop on **Tuesday 8 February 2022**. We are asking for a voluntary contribution of **£5.82** to be made on Parentpay by **Monday 17 January 2022** to support this exciting event.

Voluntary contributions are sought from parents/carers based on the total cost of the trip or event. Parents are asked only to contribute to the 'per head' of their child's participation. Should the academy receive insufficient contributions, the trip/event risks cancellation.

PGL Trip for Upcoming Year 6 October 2022

At West St Leonards we are pleased to announce that we will once again be organising a 4 day/3 night residential trip for our upcoming year sixes next academic year. This will take place from Tuesday October 11th until Friday October 14th 2022 at PGL Windmill Hill. All current year 5 parents are invited to an information session on Tuesday 25th January 2022 from 8:50-9:30am.

This will take place in person in our school hall and you can enter from the hall doors. For the protection of everyone, we would kindly request if attendees could take an LFT (lateral flow test) in the morning before attending and wear a face mask/covering whilst in attendance. There will be hand sanitiser as you come in the door.

For anyone who wishes to not attend or cannot attend the in person event, the meeting will also be available via this [TEAMS meeting link](#).

Alternatively, if you are not able to attend the meeting time, information can be emailed upon request after the information session.

Attendance at Breakfast Club

We would like to remind families that Breakfast Club opens at 8am and that supervision of children before this time is the responsibility of parents and carers. We have noted that some children are arriving increasingly earlier despite the **doors not opening until 8am**. This is resulting in children needing to wait unsupervised longer each day at a time where the weather is becoming more unpredictable. Please take this into account when organising drop off at the start of the day. Thank you.



Hastings Foodbank News

We have received notification from the Hastings Foodbank regarding temporary relocation.

Due to building work due to take place at Cambridge Hall, they will be moving their town centre location from Cambridge Hall to Holy Trinity Church on **Wednesday**

19th January. Opening times will remain the same. Please see below for dates and details: -

Wednesday 5th – Cambridge Hall (as usual)

Wednesday 12th – Cambridge Hall (as usual)

Wednesday 19th – Holy Trinity Church, Robertson Street (FB entrance on Claremont, opposite the library)

Wednesday 26th – Holy Trinity Church, Robertson Street (FB entrance on Claremont, opposite the library)

They will continue at Holy Trinity Church for up to 3 months. Then, the current plan is to move back into Cambridge Hall once the work is completed.



P+M AFTER SCHOOL MULTISPORTS SPECIAL NEWYEAR OFFER.

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Dear Parent,

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

/PassMoveBattle
@PassMoveFC

Sessions will be running from 15.15 until 16.15. Sessions will be ONLY £1 per session in a SPECIAL NEWYEAR OFFER. Payable a term in advance. The schedule is below

Monday - KS1 'DODGEBALL'
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 and click on the tab for Booking School Clubs. Under this section you will find a secure on line portal with relevant links for your specific school.

PLEASE NOTE: We have a new website under construction. Booking portals will go live at some point over the festive period when the new site goes live.

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 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.

By booking onto the course you accept that Pass+Move and their representatives shall not have any liability in respect of injuries sustained by your child. And if your child is injured whilst attending the course, and where emergency contact(s) cannot be reached on numbers provided, that you give consent for your child to receive any necessary medical treatment



Group Triple P

2-12 years

What?

Are you a Hasting & Rother parent/carer struggling with your child's everyday behaviour?

Come on our free course to meet other parents and gain useful strategies to deal with common issues. We cover specific goals, how to promote good behaviour and planning for high risk situations.

Where?

Online Via Microsoft Teams

When?

Wednesday 12th January 2022 for 5 weeks online 6:30-8:30pm. Phone calls over 2 weeks and then 1 final session online Wednesday 2nd March 2022

To book your free place
call **01424 725800** or email:

EH.0-19parentingteam@eastsussex.gov.uk





Teen Group Triple P (Age 10 upwards)

What? Are you a Hastings & Rother parent/carer struggling with your Teen's everyday behaviour?
Join our 7-week FREE course to meet other parents and gain useful strategies to deal with common parenting issues.

Where? Online via Microsoft Teams

When? Thursday 13th January 10am -12pm
weekly online for 5 weeks, 1 week of a call
then final session online Thursday 24th
February 10am -12pm



To book your free place
call **01424 725800** or email:
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Stepping Stones group

2-12 years

What? The Stepping Stones group is a FREE 8-week group for parents/carers of children with additional needs, diagnosed or undiagnosed, in Hastings & Rother. Learn some strategies for promoting independence, teaching new skills and planning ahead.

Where? Online via Microsoft Teams

When? Tuesday 11th January; online for 6 weeks 10am-12pm, then 1 week of calls and final online session on Tuesday 1st March

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