

13th March 2020

Dear Parents

What a busy and exciting week we have had this week! Science week has followed on from Book week and we have taken the opportunity to immerse the children in all aspects of science. The children have enjoyed a variety of visitors and activities and hopefully we have inspired a future generation.

General dates

March 18th	KS2 House Matches *
March 19th	Year 1 & 2 trip
March 23rd	Year 5 & 6 trip
March 27th	FNC
April 3rd	Last Day
April 20th	Return to school

House Matches

Your child will have chosen either tag-rugby or netball. Please ask them which they are competing in.

Tag-rugby : 9:30 - 10:30

Netball : 11:00 - 12:00

Year 6 Parents vs children

Football: 9:00 - 9:30

Netball: 9:00 - 9:30

Coronavirus

Please see attached letter for latest Information.

Emotional Health and Wellbeing Event

A drop in morning for parents and carers will be held on Friday 3rd April at The Weald School.

Come and find out about:

- Building resilience in the child and family.
- Getting a good night's sleep.
- Identifying and managing anxiety in yourself and your young person.
- Maintaining healthy emotional wellbeing.
- Supporting children with autism.

Please see the attached flier for further information.

Science Week

On Monday, Year 6 held their annual science fair. The Year 6 children had to design an experiment, resource it and feel they had a depth of knowledge about it to be able to describe what they were doing to younger children. I was very impressed with the variety of experiments and their knowledge. They were very professional; one group even completed an in depth risk assessment. The younger children thoroughly enjoyed these demonstrations and loved the exploding volcanoes, dancing ink, and much more. No science fair is complete without an explosion (controlled of course!).

In Year 3 they had a visit from a scientist—Mrs Fielden. She talked to the children about what drove her to become a scientist and how many different types of scientists there are. The children were very inspired - maybe a future physicist, chemist or biologist is in our midst. Year 5 and 6 also welcomed Mrs Fielden and her friend 'The Professor'. He spoke about being a scientist and how exciting and motivating experiments can be for learning.



Skyscape

Today year 4 & 5 welcomed Annis, Joise and their colleagues Margaret and Duncan from Skyscapes exhibition at Petworth House. The children took part in different photography workshops including capturing the sky from different angles and creating their own freeze frames which were photographed from interesting view points.



Stanley's Blog

I had another training session last weekend. I am brilliant at going to my bed when I am asked and lying down. I am meant to stay there until someone says 'ok', but I always get distracted and get out early. I am also learning to sit down next to visitors so they can tickle me below my collar. Apparently it helps some children if they are worried and even staff find it soothing. If it works for them it works for me. FYI I also like my back being tickled.



Did you know.....

The year 6 pupils have learnt how to use an ordnance survey map this week. What a useful life long skill to have in this digital age.



INSET days for this Academic Year

Monday 1st June 2020

Monday 20th July 2020

INSET days for next Academic Year

Thursday 3rd September 2020

Friday 4th September 2020

Monday 4th January 2021

Monday 22nd February 2021

Monday 19th April 2021

Half Term / End of Term Holidays 2019/20

Easter Holidays April 6th – 17th

Half Term May 25th – 29th

End of Term Friday 17th July

Half Term / End of Term Holidays 2020/2021

Return to School Monday 7th September 2021

Half Term October 26th—30th

Christmas Holidays December 21st—January 1st

Half Term February 15th—19th

Easter Holidays April 5th—16th

Half Term May 31st—June 4th

End of Term July 23rd



Forest School Dates

On your child's Forest School day they can come to school in their Forest School clothing for the whole day, please ensure they are wearing long sleeved tops and trousers – even if the weather is warmer. They will also need suitable footwear, e.g. wellies and a rain coat. If you are able to help on Forest School dates, please see the school office.

Forest School Dates

Wednesday 18 th	Year 3
Tuesday 24 th	Year 4
Wednesday 25 th	Year 5
Wednesday 1 st April	Year 6

