

William Penn Newsletter 15th September 2017

Week By Week Overviews and Topic Webs on the Website

This term's week by week overview sheets and topic webs are now available on the school website. These sheets will give you a much better idea about what is happening in your child's class on any given week. They are working documents and subject to change but will help you to support your child's learning. The documents can be found under the Teaching and Learning tab.

http://www.william penn.w-sussex.sch.uk/website/autumn_2017/302985

Eligibility for Free School Meals

West Sussex County Council has an application form for parents to check Free School Meal Eligibility. Registration for Free School Meals can bring additional funds to the school and eligible **parents should register whether their children receive a meal because they are in Key Stage 1 or not**. In order to make this process easier the County Council has updated the Free School Meals page on the West Sussex County Council website and revised the application form that enables the council to check parents' eligibility for free school meals.

Here is the link to the website and the revised application form:

<http://www.westsussex.gov.uk/learning/schools>

Flu Prevention Programme

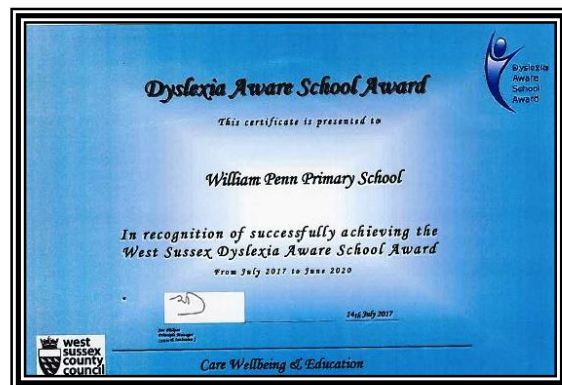
If you have a child in Years R, 1, 2, 3, or 4 and you would like them to take part in the Flu Prevention Programme, please return the consent forms to the school office by Monday 18th September. Thank you

Dyslexia Aware School Award

We are very pleased that the school's Dyslexia Aware accreditation has been renewed for 2017-2020.

The award involves participating in awareness and training sessions and then completing a portfolio of evidence to support a set of standards. The standards focus on: school policy; training; identification and assessment; teaching and learning; working with parents and working with pupils. This is a 'whole school' award and all members of staff participate.

Thank you to Mrs Burke, our former SEN Co-ordinator who led the reaccreditation process.

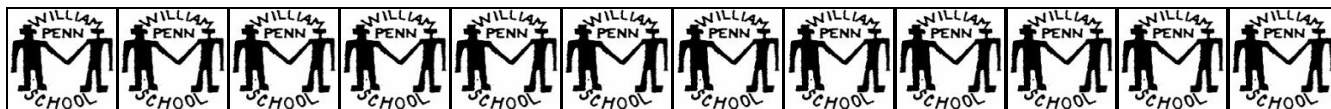


PE Kit: Trainers or Plimsolls

We have been asked by several parents whether children need trainers, plimsolls or both in school. Mr Ruff, our sports coach, has clarified this by saying:

"Parents should purchase both. This will ensure when children have PE in the hall such as gym/dance they are protected from anything that could be on the floor and limits the potential of any 'foot problems' spreading. In





terms of trainers they should be worn on the playground/field for PE as they not only provide more grip but give more protection to the ankle.

I understand there may be parents who may find it difficult to fund both sets and if that is the case ... then they should purchase the plimsolls as they can be worn in and out whereas trainers can't."

Textile Recycling Collection to Raise Money for William Penn - Next Date 26th September

Collection bags were given to the children at the end of last week. Please place any outgrown or unwanted clothes, paired shoes (tied together), belts, bedding, soft toys or handbags in the bags. Rags can be recycled too please put these in a bag marked 'rags'.

The bags should be returned to school on Tuesday 26th September. Thank you

Recycling Landfill Waste Resources to Raise Money for William Penn

At William Penn we encourage parents, children, teachers and the local community to collect waste resources which would go to landfill and divert them to a special recycling scheme. This raises money which benefits the children at the school and the environment. The recycling bins for these special waste resources are in the school car park. Attached is a list of the materials we can accept.

- Ballpoint pens, felt tips, biro, correction fluid, markers and highlighters
- Biscuit wrappers - any non-savoury brands
- Fruit & vegetable baby food pouches - Ella's Kitchen & any other brand
- Kenco Eco coffee refill packs
- Laptops, notebooks, netbooks & tablets, iPads - working or broken
- Mobile phones - working or broken
- Plastic milk bottle tops - 2, 02, 4 or 04 displayed
- Tassimo plastic pots and foil packaging
- Toothpaste tubes and toothbrushes
- Home cleaning products plastic bottle caps, trigger heads, pumps and cleaning wipe packaging
- Plastic air fresheners, cartridges and plastic air freshener packaging
- Inkjet cartridges - only HP, Dell, Lexmark, Canon, Samsung, Neopost
- Unwanted neck ties
- Aluminium ring pulls (can be recycled in your bin, but we collect for the Philippines)

There is also a bin for any unwanted textiles, bags, shoes (tied in pairs), towels and bedding. Please put the resources in the correct bin.

Safeguarding Update

The Digital Families Conference 2017, organised by CEOP and Parent Zone takes place on 12 October 2017 in London. For more information, please visit the Parentzone website.

Pupil Achievements

Congratulations to Ethan Dalton-Akehrst who has achieved her Level 5 swimming certificate. Also, Sophie Cartner has been awarded 'Beaver of the Term' award as voted for by her peers and on account of her kindness. Well done to both of you. If you have any pupil achievements that you would like mentioned in the newsletter, please e-mail the office: office@williampenn.w-sussex.sch.uk

