



William Penn Newsletter 17th June 2015

PTA Fete Update/Thank You

The PTA would like to thank everyone for supporting the fete. They are still finalising figures for the day and will pass on this information as soon as they are able.

Reports 2015

On Friday, you will receive your child's annual report. This year the format will be different to previous years. This is partly a result of our wish to keep you fully and accurately informed (some of the attainment data is drawn straight from our electronic assessment system) and partly as a response to national changes to pupil assessment as outlined in previous communications. There will be three types of report; for children in Year R, children in Years 2 and 6 that are being measured against national levels for the last time and all other year groups who are measured against end of year expectations for each school year. We do expect that parents will have questions about these formats and in particular the new system based on end of year expectations. For this reason, please be sure to book a parents' consultation appointment for next week. We hope that the formats will be straight forward in terms of interpretation but would like feedback regarding common questions so that we can set up a Q and A guide for future reference.

Parents' Consultations – New System for Signing Up

This term, we are trialling an online sign up system for Parents' Consultations (which take place on Tuesday 23rd and Thursday 25th June). The aim is to allow all parents the opportunity to choose the time slot of their choice. In order to do this, every family will have a log in username and password. This will have come home with your child today unless they have been absent. The e-schools letter gives the website address, username and password. When you have logged in, please follow the straightforward instructions. The system will go live at 6am on Thursday June 18th. If you do not have internet access, please contact the school office and we will assist you in booking an appointment. Please let us know your thoughts on the process so that we can improve the service for subsequent events if necessary.

Sports Day Reminder

Friday, 19th June, will be our school Sports Day. We will be holding this event at 10am (in order for the grass to be dry). We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible and are keenly watching the weather forecast! Should the forecast indicate heavy or prolonged rain for Friday, or should the field be waterlogged, we will advise by the end of school on Thursday 18th June that we will reschedule for Friday 26th June. In the event of hot weather, please ensure that you child has sun cream pre-applied, hats, water etc.

Marwell Zoo

Fry class enjoyed a fun packed day out at Marwell Zoo as part of their science topic related to *Animals and their Habitats*. The morning was spent exploring the park and seeing the creatures, up close, in their natural habitats. After a picnic lunch, they participated in an *All About Animal* workshop. As part of this, they were able to meet in person, Sally the stick insect and Bo Bo the Boa constrictor. Maya said, "It was a magical day." Megan agreed saying, "I loved how we got to handle the animals and touch a snake." For Ed, his favourite part of the day was seeing the rhinos. The whole class had a brilliant time and learnt so much more about the animals they had been studying this term.





Governors' BBQ Tickets

Tickets for the Governors' BBQ will be available for sale this week during Sports Day. Alternatively please complete the form below and return to the school office with payment, your tickets will then be sent home via your child's red contact book. Many thanks.

PTA Textile Collection

We understand that some people were not ready for the last clothing collection or have had subsequent 'sort outs'. Therefore, we would like to advertise another collection on 25th June. Please see Mrs Cort for further details.

Dates List

We would like to give as much notice as possible regarding dates for the next academic year. Please find attached the dates list in its current form. This will be republished as events are finalised.

Pupil Achievements

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

WILLIAM PENN SCHOOL GOVERNORS' SUMMER BBQ

Saturday 18th July 2015, 5:00PM-9:00PM

William Penn School Governors invite you to attend an end of year Summer BBQ with all proceeds donated towards building a new classroom and school hall. Entertainment provided by nine piece soul band the 'T-Slammers', and an amazing Auction of Promises with lots including a flight in a Bulldog Aircraft and a personal performance on a 1696 Stratavarius by one of the UK's finest violinists. Tickets include entrance and one *BBQ food item (burger/sausage/veggie option). There will be more food, snacks and a bar available. Please bring a picnic mat and come and enjoy a celebratory social evening of FUNdraising!

**Please note that the BBQ will be serving food from 5:30PM*

TICKET ORDER FORM

_____ Adult Tickets £5/per ticket

_____ Child Tickets £2.50/ticket

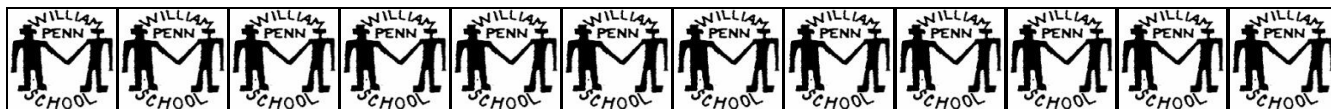
Total Enclosed _____

Child's Name _____

Child's Class _____

Cash or cheque only, cheque payable to 'William Penn School'. Please return to the school office with payment. Tickets will be returned via the school after the May half term.

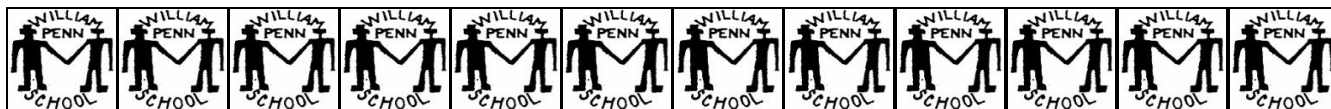




William Penn Diary Dates 2015-2016

September 2015	
3 rd	INSET– school closed to pupils
4 th	INSET– school closed to pupils
7 th	First day of term for pupils
14 th , 15 th , 17 th , 18 th	Class Welcome Meetings (Cadbury, Fox, Fry, JBB) at 3.30pm
TBC	PTA AGM
29 th	Parent Consultation Evening 3.15pm-6pm
October 2015	
1 st	Parent Consultation Evening 3.15pm-6pm
5 th	School Photographer – individual photographs and family groups
8 th	'6 Weeks In' Meeting for new parents am
12 th	Harvest Festival Parents' Assembly 2.15pm
23 rd	INSET – school closed to pupils
26 th – 30 th inclusive	Half term
November 2015	
9 th	Open Day for parents to visit school
TBC	PTA Christmas Fair
December 2015	
14 th	Christmas Nativity Performance at Christ's Hospital
TBC	PTA Christmas Party and Activity Day
TBC	PTA discos
18 th	Last day of Term
January 2016	
4 th	Spring Term commences
February 2016	
9 th and 11 th	Parent Consultation Evenings 3.15pm-6pm (with Book Fair)
15 th – 19 th inclusive	Half term
22 nd	INSET Day – school closed to pupils
March 2016	
9 th	Open Day for parents to visit school
23 rd	Parents' Assembly 2.15pm
24 th	Last day of Spring Term
25 th – 8 th April inclusive	Easter Holiday
April 2016	
11 th	Summer Term commences
May 2016	
2 nd	Bank Holiday
w/o 2 nd and w/o 16 th TBC	Test Week for Years 3&4
w/o 9 th TBC	Test Week for Years 5&6
27 th	May Day Celebration 1.30pm
30 th – 3 rd June inclusive	Half term
June 2016	
10 th	May Day Celebration Rain Off 1.30pm
15 th	Open Day for parents to visit school
15 th	Welcome Meeting for new parents 7pm
16 th (pm) and 21 st (am)	New intake taster sessions and school transition times
TBC	Annual Pupil Reports to Parents
TBC	School Fete
24 th	Sports Day 10am
27 th	INSET Day – school closed to pupils
28 th and 30 th	Parent Consultation Evenings 3.15pm-6pm





July 2016	
1 st	Sports Day Rain Off 10am
TBC	Year 6 Cycling Proficiency 'Bikeability'
8 th	Parents' Assembly / PTA Assembly at 2.15pm
TBC	Years 2 and 6 Visit to the Blue Idol
22 nd	William Penn End of Year Leavers' Assembly
22 nd	End of Term

