



William Penn Newsletter

7th September 2016

Welcome to the Autumn Term

We would like to welcome all our pupils and their families to the new school year at William Penn. For those that have not seen the list of dates for this year, these are included at the end of the newsletter for your diaries.

Rights Respecting Schools Award

The School Council is delighted to inform you that William Penn have been awarded with the Recognition of Commitment (ROC) for the Rights respecting school award. This is the first stage of the award. We will now work on achieving the Level 1 award by continuing to develop awareness of our rights and responsibilities in and out of school. The new School Council will take this forward as one of their main projects this year.



School Council

Staff News

We would like to congratulate Mrs Peters who is expecting her second child later in the year. We are, of course, already planning for her absence and will let you know details regarding who will teach the class on Monday mornings, Tuesdays and Wednesdays, when they have been confirmed. Mrs Crane will continue to teach for the latter part of the week and the children will continue to have Mrs Kear for music on Monday afternoons. These very experienced members of staff will provide continuity for the children during the maternity leave.

Can You Help Our PTA Continue?

Our PTA has raised thousands of pounds (in excess of £50000) for the school over the past 9 years and with school budgets getting smaller this money has been essential in providing equipment and facilities for all our children above and beyond the basics.

Over the past couple of years the PTA has been well supported at events with parent and friend helpers but the core PTA committee required to maintain the functioning group has reduced in size.

We would lose a great deal financially and socially if the PTA was not able to continue and events could no longer take place. With our current chair and secretary stepping down after several years of service, we do need an input of fresh faces to ensure that the PTA can carry on.

Please put the date of the AGM in your diaries for **September 23rd** with the time and venue still to be confirmed.





If you have any further questions about what is involved please see Mr Kear. This is an opportunity to determine the events that take place during the year and to shape the future of the PTA.

Topic Books

Thank you to all those parents that have returned summer term topic books sent home in July. We will send them back to you at a later date.

Please note that, at least for the time being, these will be the last topic books produced by your child. We are going to incorporate children's work into their class exercise books in order to produce a progressive record of attainment and achievement throughout the year. You will be able to view the work at the termly parent consultations or at other times by arrangement with the class teacher. As ever, we will encourage all our pupils to take pride in the work they produce regardless of where it is presented.

Police – Online Safety

At the end of last term, PC Keeley delivered a short presentation to parents on the subject of e-safety. Whilst we cannot reproduce this talk in the newsletter, a couple of the handouts are included below.

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

Social Media Sites

Most websites have a way for you to ask them to remove 'content' – like video's, pictures, comments or profiles – that's upsets you. This is called making a 'report'.

It is important to know that making a report doesn't mean the content will definitely be removed. Most websites have a set of rules which they expect people using their site to obey. Websites will only take content down if they break these rules.

You can view an overview of the rules and how to report content for the most popular social networks and messaging apps as follows:

Facebook
<https://www.facebook.com/communitystandards>
 Reporting
<https://www.facebook.com/help/181495968648557/>
 The best way to report abusive content or spam on Facebook is by using the Report link that appears near the content itself.

Youtube
http://www.youtube.com/t/community_guidelines
 Reporting
<http://www.youtube.com/t/policyandsafety/en-GB/reports.html>

Instagram
<https://help.instagram.com/477434105621119/>
 Reporting
<https://help.instagram.com/477434105621119/>
 Send a report via this link:
<https://help.instagram.com/contact/383679321740945>

Tumblr
<http://www.tumblr.com/policy/en/community>
 Reporting
 Report to Tumblr by email: support@tumblr.com

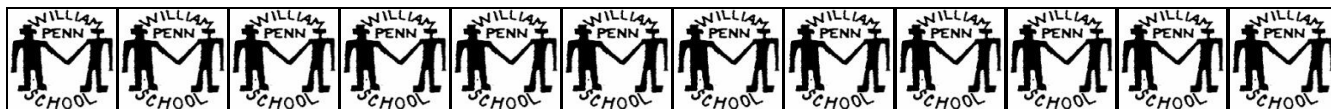
Vine
<https://vine.co/rules>
 Reporting
 Via an online form: <https://support.twitter.com/forms/vine> or email abuse@tumblr.com

Twitter
<https://support.twitter.com/articles/18311#>
 Reporting
 To flag a media content: click icon for menu, then select 'Block or Report' and follow the on-screen steps.
 To report an individual: click icon for menu, select 'Report Tweet', choose one of the options and then press 'Submit' or 'Next'.
 Twitter is not directed to persons under 13, to report a minor; send an email to: privacy@twitter.com

Ask.fm
<http://ask.fm/about/policy/abuse-policy>
 Reporting
 When you move your mouse over any post on someone else's profile, you will see an option to like the post and also a drop down arrow which allows you to report the post for one of four reasons.

Kik Messenger
<http://kik.com/legal/>
 Reporting
<https://kikinteractive.zendesk.com/entries/23518788-i-m-being-harassed-on-Kik-What-can-i-do->





Diary Dates 2016-2017

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| September 2016 | |
| 5 th | First day of term for pupils |
| 6 th , 7 th , 8 th , 9 th | Class Welcome Meetings (Cadbury, Fox, Fry, JBB) at 3.30pm |
| 23 rd | PTA AGM – time and venue tbc |
| 12 th -14 th | Lodge Hill Residential for Years 5 and 6 |
| October 2016 | |
| 3 rd | School Photographer – individual photographs and family groups |
| 11 th and 13 th | Parent Consultation Evening 3.15pm-6pm |
| 19 th | '6 Weeks In' Meeting for new parents am |
| 17 th | Harvest Festival Parents' Assembly 2.15pm |
| 21 st | INSET – school closed to pupils |
| 24 th – 28 th inclusive | Half term |
| 31 st | INSET – school closed to pupils |
| November 2016 | |
| 7 th | Open Day for parents to visit school |
| TBC | PTA Christmas Fair |
| December 2016 | |
| 12 th | Christmas Nativity Performance at Christ's Hospital |
| TBC | PTA Christmas Party and Activities |
| TBC | PTA discos |
| 16 th | Last day of Term |
| January 2017 | |
| 3 rd | Spring Term commences |
| February 2017 | |
| 14 th and 16 th | Parent Consultation Evenings 3.15pm-6pm (with Book Fair) |
| 17 th | INSET Day – school closed to pupils |
| 20 th – 24 th inclusive | Half term |
| 27 th | INSET Day – school closed to pupils |
| March 2017 | |
| 9 th | Open Day for parents to visit school |
| w/o 13 th TBC | Year 6 Cycling Proficiency 'Bikeability' |
| 31 st | Parents' Assembly 2.15pm |
| April 2017 | |
| 7 th | Last day of Spring Term |
| 10 th – 21 st April inclusive | Easter Holiday |
| 24 th | Summer Term commences |
| May 2017 | |
| 1 st | Bank Holiday |
| w/o 8 th TBC | Test Week for Years 5&6 |
| 26 th | May Day Celebration 1.30pm |
| 29 th – 2 nd June inclusive | Half term |
| June 2017 | |
| 9 th | May Day Celebration Rain Off 1.30pm |
| 14 th | Open Day for parents to visit school |
| 14 th | Welcome Meeting for new parents 7pm |
| 15 th (pm) and 20 th (am) | New intake taster sessions and school transition times |
| TBC | School Fete |
| 23 rd | Sports Day 10am |
| 26 th | INSET Day – school closed to pupils |
| 30 th | Sports Day Rain Off 10am |
| July 2017 | |
| 7 th | Parents' Assembly / PTA Assembly at 2.15pm |
| 7 th | Annual Pupil Reports to Parents |
| 11 th and 13 th | Parent Consultation Evenings 3.15pm-6pm |
| TBC | Years 2 and 6 Visit to the Blue Idol |
| 25 th | William Penn End of Year Leavers' Assembly |
| 25 th | End of Term |

