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NEWSLETTER NO. 36

Dear Parents, Staff and Governors

SCHOOL NEWS:



This is the last Newsletter of 2018/19. Next week will see the culmination of many hours of hard work as our Years 4, 5 and 6 classes get ready to showcase their acting talents at the Studio Theatre on Thursday 25th July and we prepare to say goodbye to Year 6 as they embark on the next part of their journey. We wish them well and hope they take with them, many happy memories of their time here at Alderbury and West Grimstead school. Thank you for all your support this year. We look forward to enjoying the last week of term and all the staff and governors wish you an enjoyable Summer holiday. School reopens to children on Wednesday 4th September.

Scopay

Some exciting changes are being made to the look and feel of the SCOPAY.com website - and as a registered user we wanted to let you know, so you know what to expect.

The website is changing to make it even easier for you to use - you'll still log in as normal but the site will look a little different. In the near future you'll notice that there's a new colour scheme which matches the new SCOPAY logo, and you'll see that the site has become mobile responsive, meaning its more suited to being used on your phone or tablet. If you are using a mobile device, you'll no longer be asked to decide which version of the website you'd like to use - instead you'll have the functionality of the full website at your fingertips whatever you're using to access it.

For those of you who prefer the convenience of an App, then you may already be aware that the SCOPAY App is available for both iOS and Android users - just search SCOPAY from either the App Store or Google Play Store.

The Quick Reference Guides for parents will be updated to reflect the new style screens and will be available as links from the SCOPAY.com website, along with links to some Frequently Asked Questions. If you have any questions please contact Mrs Matthiae, the Finance Officer.

Clubs

Please note that all after school clubs, excluding Pezzaz, will finish this week. Information about Clubs being offered from September will be sent out on our return from the Summer holiday. I would like to say a big thank you to all the staff, governors and parents who help run our after school clubs. Without your willingness and commitment each week, these clubs would not take place.

Plea from our Early Years Team

If you are having a sort out over the Summer, please consider donating outgrown PE kits, pants and socks for girls and boys for use in our Reception class. Thank you.

Request for help

If you are able to help after school on Thursday 25th or Friday 26th July (in the morning) to take down the notice boards throughout the school, please let us know. There is much to do to prepare the school for the major work taking place during the Summer so any assistance from parents, grandparents etc would be very much appreciated. Thank you.

Year 4 to Wilton House

Zebras class stepped back in time and became World War 2 evacuees for the day on Tuesday. After experiencing the full 1940s force of Mrs Liddington they spent time getting a real feel for what it was like to be an evacuee. They visited Winston Churchill's War Room and looked at many artefacts from the time. After successfully answering what egg shells were used for during the war (ground down for toothpaste, a skin exfoliator and many more uses) they were given a sweet prize! I am sure you all felt you were in a different era when you saw our Year 4 children arrive at school, along with our amazing helpers Mrs Kidd, Mrs Linton, Mr Sturgess-Bullock, Mrs Thorpe and Mrs Wearn.

Year 6 to Old Sarum

Year 6 visited Old Sarum on Wednesday and enjoyed various activities including sketching the landscape and looking at artefacts. A big thank you to Mr Borwell for driving the Scout mini bus and Mrs Collins and Mrs Macklin for their help.

Summer Fayre

I am delighted to tell you that the Summer Fayre raised £2,800 for school. I would like to thank all the members of FAWGS who worked so hard to make it a success. Thank you also to Mrs Robson, Mrs Burton and all our music teachers who prepared our musicians for the wonderful 'Musical Extravaganza'. I hope you enjoyed the performances.

Woodwind lessons

From September, we will have a new woodwind teacher who is taking over from Mrs Hooper. Mrs Maguire offers flute, clarinet and saxophone tuition and has spaces available. Please contact Mrs Agland if you are interested in your child having lessons.



Bake Sale for the WWF

Callum Ross raised a whopping £82.82 for the WWF from his Bake Sale yesterday. Well done Callum.

COMMUNITY NEWS:

Breakfast Church

Something special for the Summer this Sunday 21st July at St Mary's Church! It's Breakfast Church! Come at 9:00 am and enjoy breakfast with us then join us for our service from 9:30–10:00 am. Something for everyone from 1– 99 years and plenty of time to do all those Sunday jobs afterwards!

Diary Dates – new dates underlined

July

Friday 19 th	FAWGS Summer Disco
<u>Monday 22nd</u>	<u>9:00 am Standard Badge awards</u>
Wednesday 24 th	Years 4, 5 & 6 Technical and Dress Rehearsals at Studio Theatre
Thursday 25 th	Years 4, 5 & 6 Performance at the Studio Theatre

2:15 pm Year 6 Leavers' Worship
LAST DAY OF TERM

September

Monday 2nd

Tuesday 3rd

Wednesday 4th

October

Wednesday 23rd

January 2020

Monday 6th

April

Monday 20th

June

Monday 22nd

Forced management closure – no children in school

TD Day – no children in school

FIRST DAY BACK

TD Day – no children in school

Best wishes

Mr Thorpe
Headteacher