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Dear Parents

Welcome back and wishing you all a Happy New Year. I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas holiday.

Dates for the term

Parents Evening - Monday, 13th February, 3.30p.m - 6p.m. (letter to follow)
- Thursday, 16th February 3.30p.m - 6p.m.
Coffee Morning - 15th February 8.45am until 9.15am.
Half Term - 20th February to 24th February
World Book Day - 2nd March
Year 6 Sats Meeting for parents - 2nd March @ 3.30pm
Parent Drop-ins - 21st March, R, Yr. 1 & Yr. 2 am and yrs. 3 to 6 pm, Maths Focus
Year 4 to Hooke Court - 27th to 29th March
Staff Panto! - Monday, 3rd April & Tuesday, 4th April (more details to follow)
Last day of term - Friday, 7th April
Start of Summer Term - 24th April
Half term - 29th May to 2nd June
5th June - Inset Day
Last day of term: Friday 21st July

Staffing News

We are delighted to inform parents that Mrs Twine will be returning from her Maternity Leave on 6th March 2017 and will be teaching in Beech Class as a job share with Mrs Goatcher. Miss Fenney more one of our Reception Teaching Assistants left us at the end of last term and we wish her well in her new job. We are pleased to welcome Miss Puddick who joins our team of Teaching Assistants in Reception and wish her a very happy association with Downview School.

Year 3 Victorian Day

The Year 3 children enjoyed the challenge of a morning in the Victorian classroom. They practised spellings and times tables in their 'copybooks' and using chalk before moving onto Physical Gymnastics and Vocal Gymnastics... "Around the rugged rock the rascal ran!" Sadly some children weren't concentrating and had the embarrassment of standing in the corner wearing the dunce's hat! The girls worked hard on their sewing and the boys completed detailed technical drawing sketches. They all looked fantastic and this really added to the authenticity of their experience on the day.

Girls Football District Primary Finals

Congratulations to our girls' football team who took part in the District Finals in Lancing on Tuesday, 12th December. This is the first time in the last few years that a football team from a school in West Sussex has represented the area at this level. Well done girls you should be very proud of yourselves!

Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day

We collected £88.96 and would like to thank you for supporting Christmas Jumper Day December 2016.

Staff Car park, Parking and Consideration for our neighbours

Parents cars must not be driven into the car park in any circumstances with the exception of blue badge holders. We have noticed some parents are regularly dropping their children in the car park at the start of the school day and using the car park again at 3.20pm. Please desist from this dangerous practice.



Parking outside the School

When parents are dropping off or collecting their children from school please can we remind you to be considerate of the residents living close to us. Please observe private roads and do not use them to turn or to park and wait for children and please do not park across driveways, blocking entrance/exits for the residents. Residents and other parents are regularly complaining about inconsiderate and dangerous parking. If you observe illegal, dangerous or obstructive parking behaviours associated with the journey to and from school, please report this online using Operation Crackdown <http://www.operationcrackdown.org/> Alternatively you can contact the Police on 01243 642222. All you need is a vehicle registration, a brief description of the driver, what happened, where and what date and time.

Felpham Community College

Felpham Community College are now looking to strengthen their team of casual exam invigilators. The role is on an ad hoc basis between the hours 8am – 4pm primarily in December, January, May & June. Previous experience is not required, as training will be provided. Having worked with young people is an advantage, as is an administrative background. We are particularly keen to hear from candidates with an interest in working with our students with additional needs.

The ideal candidate will:

- be flexible
- have effective communication skills
- be confident and a reassuring presence to candidates in exam rooms
- be able to act on initiative
- work independently and collaboratively
- be able to act on instructions
- be available at short notice if required
- have IT skills
- attend training, refresher or review sessions as required
- undertake, where required and where able, other duties requested by the exams officer, for example
 - o supervision of clash candidates between exam sessions
 - o facilitating access arrangements for candidates, for example as a reader, scribe etc. (full training will be provided)
 - o exams-related administrative tasks

Pay rate starting from £9.01 per hour

Please download an application form from our website: www.felpham.com and return to Karen Batchelor, PA to Headteacher via email kbatchelor@felpham.org.uk or via the school reception by Friday 27th January 2017.

All posts are subject to a criminal records check from the DBS

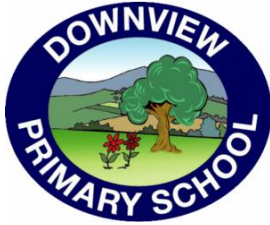
Every member of staff has a responsibility to safeguard and promote the welfare of children

Recruitment Event for Schools

West Sussex has organised a **Recruitment Event for Schools**, taking place on **Saturday 11th February** at Fontwell Park racecourse. The event will run from **10.00am – 3.00pm** and will highlight **all roles** in our schools for **Teaching and Support staff**. The event is particularly aimed at **NQTs, Teachers seeking promotion, potential returners to teaching, phase converters, those seeking a support role, career changers, potential school governors and those seeking routes to school opportunities**.

We have invited exhibits from all Schools, Teaching School Alliances and MATs across West Sussex, as well as from a variety of other WSCC teams which have an interest in the recruitment of both teaching and support staff for our schools. There will also be representation from local universities and other providers for visitors seeking information regarding university route Initial Teacher Training opportunities.

www.westsussex.gov.uk/jobsinschools



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Welcome to your new PTA Post section, to inform you of exciting upcoming events and fun that's been provided in school with help from you all!

- The Christmas Fair was a huge success and raised a massive £1200. Thank you to all that attended, got involved, and helped out to make this possible.
- Valentines Disco will be Thursday 9th February. Details coming soon.
- Next PTA meeting: 25th January 7pm at The Thatched House pub, Felpham Village. Very friendly and informal, come along and see what its all about!

House Points - Congratulations to the following children who were awarded their badges recently:

Red Star: Max Reddie, Daniel Buckley, Emily Lovelock, Eleni Comley, Zaynab Harbottle and Kiki Glanville.

Blue Star: Chase Massey, Michael Kearns, Lyla Wilson, Daisy Docherty, Caitlin Jones, Toby Nash, Albert Dewey, Blake Griffin, Daisy Abbot, Millie Stimpson, Leighton Bell, Charlotte-Summer Childs, Harry Rumball, Lola Roby, Hannah Clarke, Finlay Hughes, Aime Chiddle, Jacob Kuszka, Lewis Arnold, Lexi Harrison, Imogen Curd, Lucinda Osborn, Rylee Newman, Archie Searle, Theo Murray, Molly Evans, Lewis Daymond and Gemma Lunn.

Bronze Star: Annabelle Chapman, Darja Litvinova, Joseph Maddocks-Lofthouse, Romia Knowles, Izabelle Beeson, Alex Ashment, Alysha Bressington-Barnes, Marley Rishman, Alex Smith and Niomi Slayford-Webb.

Silver Star: Annalise Towse, Gabriella Potter, Isabelle Cummings, Lola Handson, Beth Dalley, Oliver Durrant, Jamelia Jackson, Ethan Kearns, Eboni Mills, Charlie Colliss, Megan Belcher, Alicia Abdulla, Luca Franzini, Alfie Copeland, Harry Barnes, Lewis Blissett and Megan Enticott.

Gold Star: Phoebe Keates, Thomas Cooter, George Rose, Aimee Pollard, Ashton Lunn and Hollie Abbot.

Platinum Award: Emma Barrasford

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely

Mrs M Williams

Headteacher

