



# WHAT'S ON AT WIDEWELL

Widewell Primary Academy Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers

As this will be the last newsletter before we break up for the summer next Friday, I would like to thank you all for your support over the past year. We have almost finished refurbishing the classrooms in school and it is also great to look out of my office window and see the freshly painted picnic tables, which were freshened up by a group of parents.

A few reminders for you ready for September:

- If your child is having their ears pierced, please have this done at the beginning of the holidays so they are able to take their ear-rings out for PE lessons.
- Haircuts should not be extremely short and heads should not be shaved, as these styles are not appropriate for school.
- Hair decorations should be small and discrete in school uniform colours and hair gel is not permitted.
- School shoes should be black and of a style suitable for day to day activities in school. Trainers can be worn for PE and break times but shoes (not boots) should be worn at all other times.
- Only children who have passed their Stage 2 Bikeability Test whilst they were in Y5 are permitted to ride their bikes to school unaccompanied. Any child riding their bike to school, even with their parent, must wear a helmet or they are not allowed to bring their bike onto the premises. Everyone (including adults) should dismount their bike or scooter when entering the school grounds, and not ride around the playgrounds either before or after school.

We have lots of opportunities planned for you to join in with different school activities next year and will be holding meetings to help you help your children with English and maths. I hope many of you will be able to make the most of these opportunities.

This Friday we are holding our final Open Afternoon from 2.30pm (Y4 children will be back from Tor Bridge between 2.45 and 3pm but will leave their books out on the tables if you arrive a little early). This is a chance for you to look at your children's progress over the year and to ask their teacher any questions you may have about their reports. **Please note that you cannot use your mobile phones in school, and if you need to take a call you will need to do so outside of the school building away from the children. Any parents seen using their phones will be asked to put them away by staff.** If you have finished looking at your children's books and seen everything you want to see, you may sign your children out from 3.15pm onwards. Any children who do not have parents at school will be let out at 3.30pm as normal.

I am delighted to announce that we have appointed Mrs Polly Betts as a TA in Y1 next year and Miss Michelle Luscombe as a TA in Y5 and Y6. They will both be visiting their new classrooms before the end of term and I know they are very keen to start their new jobs in September. At the same time we are sad to be saying goodbye to Miss Gardner and Mr Murphy but wish them both every success in their new adventures.

I wish you all a fabulous summer holiday and look forward to working with you and your families again next year.

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## Key Dates for 2017

14 Jul Open afternoon 2.30pm

21 Jul 1.15pm End of Term 6

24 Jul Non Pupil Day

## Key Dates for 2017 - 2018

6 Sept Start of Term 1

13 Sep Meet the teacher 3pm

26 Sep Family reading session 9am

6 Oct Y3 Class Harvest assembly 2.45pm

20 Oct Y4 Class assembly 2.45pm

20 Oct End of Term 1

30 Oct Start of Term 2

10 Nov Y5 Class assembly 2.45pm

16 Nov Family maths games session 3pm

5/6 Dec Infant Nativity 2pm

13 Dec Family Craft afternoon

19 Dec 1.15pm End of Term 2

3 Jan Start of Term 3

2 Feb Y2 Class assembly 2.45pm

9 Feb End of Term 3

19 Feb Start of Term 4

29 Mar 1.15pm End of Term 4

17 Apr Start of Term 5

11 May Y1 Class assembly 2.45pm

21 May Y3/4/5 Performances 2pm and 6pm

25 May Foundation Class assembly 2.45pm

25 May End of Term 5

4 Jun Start of Term 6

18 Jul Y6 Leavers Show 6pm

20 Jul 1.15pm End of Term 6

Cup winners	30.06.17	07.07.17
Friendship Trophy	Christina Bass	Ruby Tremaine
Courtesy Cup	Evie Anderson	Harrison Jackson
Perseverance Trophy	Daisy Green	Alfie Stevens and Sami Farr
Attendance Award	Year 2 and Year 5	Year 3
Class Cup	Foundation Wrens	Year 5 Kestrels
House Cup	Wembury	Bovisand



## Year 5 Creating a sea picture on the school fence



Year five designed a three course dinner for on board the Titanic. They all then helped to prepare the meal. Each child has been given a name of a passenger and a class. The first class passengers are looking forward to being served by the third class passengers.





**Year 6 Science  
experiments**

## 30 hour Childcare Funding

Parents are reminded to apply for the 30 hours funding the term before you wish to claim your child's place.

For further information visit the Childcare Choices website  
[www.childcarechoices.gov.uk](http://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk)

## Hungry Caterpillar News

Last week in the Hungry Caterpillar club we made beetroot chocolate brownies which were delicious, despite initial hesitance, they were enjoyed universally. The recipe is below:

### Ingredients

500g whole raw beetroot (3-4 medium beets)  
100g unsalted butter, plus extra for the tin  
200g bar plain chocolate  
1 tsp vanilla extract  
250g golden caster sugar  
3 eggs  
100g plain flour  
25g cocoa powder

### Method

Wear a pair of rubber gloves to stop your hands from staining, then top, tail and peel the beetroot – you'll need about 400g flesh. Roughly chop and put into a large bowl. Add a splash of water, cover with cling film, then microwave on High for 12 mins or until tender. Heat oven to 180C/160C fan/gas 4. While the beetroot cooks, butter then line a 20x30cm traybake or small roasting tin. Roughly chop the chocolate and cut the butter into cubes. Tip the cooked beetroot into a sieve, drain off any excess liquid, then put into a food processor or blender with the chocolate, butter and vanilla. Whizz until the mix is as smooth as you can get it. The chocolate and butter will melt as you do this. Put the sugar and eggs into a large bowl, then beat using an electric hand whisk until thick, pale and foamy, about 2 mins. Spoon the beetroot mix into the bowl (it won't look too pretty at this stage, but bear with me), then use a large metal spoon to fold it into the whisked eggs. Try to conserve as much air in the mixture as you can. Sift in the flour and cocoa powder, then gently fold these in to make a smooth batter. Pour into the prepared tin and bake for 25 mins or until risen all over, with just the merest quiver under the centre of the crust when you shake the pan. Cool completely in the tin, then cut into squares.

This week we planted garlic cloves and in a few weeks we look forward to eating the garlic greens. If you would like to try this at home the link is: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/joinin/down-on-the-farm-grow-your-own-article> .

Thank you to Mrs Maclean for sharing her photos of the pea soup she made using the peas from the Hungry Caterpillar Shop. It would be great to see any other growing the children have got involved with over the summer holidays.

## Timetable Rockstar

All of the children in key stage two have access to the Timetable Rockstar website which helps the children to practise their multiplication tables.

Well done to the following children who have achieved the top status of 'rock legend' or the second status of 'rockstar'.

Keep practising everyone else and look out for an update in September.

Mrs Holder

### Rock legends

Olivia Y4  
Erin Y4  
Luisa Y5  
George Y5  
Patrick Y5  
Charlie Y5  
Owen Y6  
Hannah Y6  
Adam Y6

### Rock stars

Casey Y3  
Tobias Y3  
Holly Y4  
Amy P Y4  
Ethan Y5  
Madison S Y5  
Danni Y6  
Rosie Y6  
James E Y6  
Callum Y6  
Tierney Y6

## Reminder

Just a reminder that school will finish at 1.15pm on Friday 21st July for the summer holidays.

## Returning items

Can all brass instruments, library and scheme books please be returned to school before the end of term.

## Bikes and Trikes

Just a reminder to parents that children should not be riding bikes or trikes in the car park or on the KS1 playground and **all children must wear a helmet.**

