

SINGLETON C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL



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MISSION STATEMENT

Singleton C.E. Primary School is a happy and caring community in which good manners, excellent behaviour and a desire to continuously improve and learn are expected from everybody.

We are a Church of England School teaching Christian values and beliefs. We also promote awareness and tolerance of, and respect for other religions and cultures.

26th January 2018

Newsletter Number 4

Dear Parents/Carers,

Willow Class enjoyed their visit from some wild and wonderful creatures that Zoolab brought along on Monday. Many thanks for the parental contributions which enabled this experience to take place.

Dates for the term – more details for many of these events will follow in due course

Thursday 1 st February	6pm - E-safety meeting for parents @ Fishbourne C.E. Primary School, Salthill Road, Fishbourne – see separate letter already sent – all welcome
Monday 5 th February	8.30am – School Nurse Drop In session for parents
Friday 9 th February	INSET DAY – school closed to pupils
Mon 12th – Fri 16th Feb	HALF TERM
Thursday 1 st March	World Book Day
Wednesday 7 th March	9am Oak Class assembly
Friday 16 th March	Last swimming
Tuesday 20 th March – 3pm →5pm	Parents Consultations
Wednesday 21 st March – 3pm →6pm	
Week of 26 th March – daily (pm)	Year 6 Bikeability course
Thursday 29 th March	END OF TERM - Summer Term starts Tuesday 17th April (16th April - INSET Day)



Welly boots!

To allow us to get more use from the field at breaktimes, as before pupils are encouraged to keep (named) wellies in school on their peg in a suitable (named) strong (canvas or similar) bag. Thank you for your co-operation.

Swimming payment

A reminder to parents of pupils in Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 that payment for swimming is now due for this term. We ask for a contribution of £35 per child per term towards the cost. If you have more than one child in school, you may pay £35 for the older child and £30 each for the others.

AS YOU WILL KNOW FROM NATIONAL AND LOCAL PUBLICITY SCHOOL BUDGETS ARE UNDER CONSIDERABLE STRAIN AT THE MOMENT AND WE RELY ON PARENTAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO ALLOW SWIMMING TO CONTINUE.

Please see the office for payment – thank you.



Collective Worship - Service

Our Christian Value for the Spring Term is Service. The children will be learning about this value in our Collective Worship, in the class assemblies, throughout lessons and class discussions. We are thinking about the importance of service in our relationships with our friends, family and God, linking to Lent, Holy Week and Easter.

SIAMS inspection

As well as being inspected by Ofsted, Church of England schools have a further inspection called SIAMS (Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools). The main objective of the SIAMS inspection is to evaluate the distinctiveness and effectiveness of the school as a church school. Inspectors look for answers to three key questions:

1. How well does the school, through its distinctive Christian character, meet the needs of all learners?
2. What is the impact of collective worship on the school community?
3. How effective are the leadership and management of the school as a church school?

This week we received a phone call informing us that we will be having a SIAMS inspection next Tuesday. We knew we would be having this inspection some time this year as we last had one in 2012 (the report is still available on the school website at <http://www.singleton.w-sussex.sch.uk/Singleton%20S48%20September%202012.pdf>). This is a really important opportunity for us and a chance to celebrate the vision, mission and values that underpin the ethos of our school. We have much to be proud of and we are very much looking forward to the visit. We will keep you informed of the day's events and the outcomes following the day itself.

Year 5 Questionnaire "How well do you feel"?

In April 2017 a new contract for the delivery of the Healthy Child Programme in West Sussex was awarded to Sussex Community Foundation Trust. As part of this, a review is required and SCFT Public Health Nurses will lead on the introduction of a Health and Wellbeing questionnaire to be offered to all children in **Year 5** to inform the development of future services.

Mr Todd will talk through the short questionnaire with the children in Oak class before completion of the form next week. It is not a test and there are no right and wrong answers. Children are not asked to name their forms.

Questions will include, among others:

Do you have something to eat before school?

Have you ever been to a dentist?

Do you brush your teeth with toothpaste twice a day?

How often do you feel that you have done something you are pleased about?

Most questions are answered using tick boxes stating i.e. Never, Hardly ever, Sometimes, Everyday

An example leaflet is displayed in the foyer if you wish to look through it. If you feel that your child's participation is not appropriate **please let us know in writing by 31st January**. Thank you.

If you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to speak to us.

Have a great weekend!

Yours sincerely,

Christopher Todd,
Headteacher