

WESSEX WEEKLY

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Q: What lights up a football stadium?



Jamie in full football supporters regalia at the Nursery sports day!

This week:

Sweeties!! Summer fair, School production, event and term dates, and more.....

SOLAR PANEL ECO TICKER:

5422 KWh of Electricity Produced

3090 Kg of Carbon Dioxide saved



From the Head's Chair



So much seems to have happened this week, I'm not sure where to begin! On Monday, we were joined by parents for our Foundation Stage Sports Day. The children all dressed up for the occasion on a World Cup theme and enjoyed taking part in races and a 'round robin' of other skills based events. The children thoroughly enjoyed the day and many were exhausted by the end of it! I was so glad to see so many parents supporting their children and was impressed by how many got stuck in and had a go themselves! All rounded off with tea and drinks in the Nursery and Reception gardens, it was a great day. Thank you to Mrs Thomas, Miss Lacey, Miss Bristow, Miss Powell and all the other Foundation Stage staff for organising such a great event.

On Tuesday, a team of 24 budding Y3 athletes traveled to Desborough to take part in an athletics tournament with six other schools. The children competed in sprint races, hurdles, the long jump, the vertical jump, speed bounce and relays. They behaved beautifully and thoroughly enjoyed competing against children from other schools. Every child who took part earned a certificate and Wessex came 4th overall – not bad for our first attempt! Well done children and thank you to Mr Lloyd and Miss Oldfield for organising the event.

On Wednesday came Upper School sports day, and we were very lucky with the weather! We had a huge turnout of parents and families to cheer their children on and every child in Upper School competed in races to see which house would emerge victorious. We have some very strong athletes at Wessex and this was clear throughout the afternoon, which was a close run thing (pardon the pun) from which Lancaster house became the overall winners. Once again the PTA were on hand to provide refreshments for the audience and ice pops for every child, and I think the afternoon was a great success all round. There are some fantastic photos of the event on the monitor so make sure you have a look as you go past. Thank you to the children for making the afternoon such a pleasure to be part of and thank you to all the staff for their hard work, particularly Miss Oldfield for her great organisation!

On Thursday this week, we had special activities happening across the school. Y2 children enjoyed making their own pizzas in our Lower School kitchen and the whole building smelled delicious! Thank you to Mrs Duncan who came in to help the chefs. Also on a cookery theme, Y5 children had their own 'Ready Steady Cook' event in the Upper School hall. Teams had to turn bags of ingredients into a savoury and sweet dish, judged by Headteacher, Deputy and Secretary for the day – Mr Mundy, Miss Alton and Miss Ives – within a time limit. I must say the standard of presentation and the (sometimes) unusual combinations of flavours were fantastic, and it was really great to see every child determined to work together to do their best. They even washed up! Well done children and thank you to Mrs Corbett and Mrs Dawson for setting the challenge.

Finally on Thursday we had our 'job swap day' during which children who had applied and been successful at interview took on a new role for the day. Matthew Mundy was Headteacher, supported by Annalise Alton as his deputy. Their Senior Management Team was made up by Rebecca Brill, Samantha Clark, Gemma Cocksedge, Hope Dunne and Annabel Shrimpton, all supported by Mollie Haines and Karis Ives in the school office. All the children worked hard, took over my office and completed a variety of tasks which they will present to me on Monday. This was a valuable experience which they all enjoyed and excelled at. Well done children, I look forward to seeing the fruits of your labour on Monday!

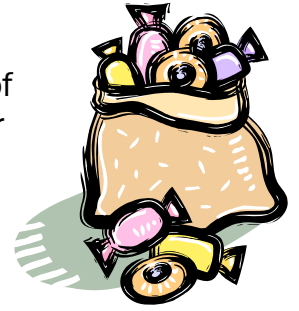
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Sweet Sale for Hope HIV

Students in Y7 at Cox Green School are raising money for Hope HIV as part of their PSHCE studies. Some of our ex-pupils will be holding a sweet sale after school on **Tuesday 22nd June** near the school gate. Prices range from 1p to 25p so please bring your pocket money!!



PTA Summer Fair

Our popular Summer Fair is fast approaching! If you would like to hire a stall to sell your wares then please contact Miriam Baker outside the Green Class pick up point (on the school playground near to Nursery) or leave a note in the PTA tray in the school office. We look forward to seeing you on the day!

Rosemary for Sale!

Our gardening club are selling Rosemary - 6 sprigs for 50p (lovely with the roast lamb!). Order forms are available from a basket outside the school office. Orders need to be left in the basket no later than Friday lunch time, ready for collection from the same basket in reception after school on Friday.

Road Closures



We have had a letter from the Highways Agency letting us know of (more!!) roadworks on the A404(M), replacing the Kimbers Lane footbridge. They advise that both carriageways will be closed on **10-11 July** and **4-6 September** – however these dates are provisional. More information is available from the Highways Agency e-mail ha_info@highways.gsi.gov.uk.

Cox Green School Jazz Picnic

Cox Green are holding another of their brilliant Jazz picnics on **Saturday 27th June**. A Family ticket costs £10 for up to 6 people. The event runs from 1pm – 5pm with live football at 3pm! More information and tickets are available from Cox Green School.

Vacancy - Cleaner

Can you help to keep our school clean? We are looking for a cleaner to work 10hrs per week from 3.30pm to 5.30pm, Monday to Friday.

Vacancy – Occasional Breakfast Club Assistant

Fancy the odd hour, here and there, helping in our increasingly popular breakfast club? The club runs every morning in term time from 8am until 9am. We need someone to cover occasional busy days – sometimes at very short notice.

More information on both of these vacancies and application forms are available from Mrs Wardle in the school office.

Wessex Primary School proudly presents:

Olivia!

Year 6, (with Year 3, 4 & 5 providing the vocals!) is proud to present our end of year musical show, **Olivia!**

Come to the 'Wessex Theatre' and find out whether Olivia, a Victorian orphan, makes her dreams come true in London.....

Performances will be taking place in the Upper School hall on:

Tuesday 13th July at 4.30pm

&

Thursday 15th July at 6.00pm.

Watch this space...tickets will be on sale soon!

We will also be requesting help making props and costumes - if you're able to assist, please let Mrs Dore or Mrs Poole in Year 6 know - thank you!

Chicken Pox and Shingles – the virus continues.....

Wessex *continues* to suffer from a severe bout of Chicken Pox and shingles among the children at the moment. Some children CAN catch this virus more than once. If your child becomes ill with this virus it is imperative that you call the school to report it as we have a couple of children who are very vulnerable to the disease and we need to alert the families at the earliest possible time. Thank you.



Free Lunches on Thursdays!!!

I am very pleased to inform you that we are able to offer each child at Wessex a free school meal this term and have organised the following dates:

4P - 24th June 5D - 1st July 5C - 8th July 6R and 6D - 15th July

Children in these classes will still need to book a lunch on that day – they will just not have to pay for it!!! ENJOY!

Ryman Stationery for Schools

Ryman are running a voucher scheme at the moment which means the school can redeem vouchers for stationery such as pencils, pens, colouring sets and all sorts! If you shop at Ryman, please bring the vouchers in to school – thank you!

Going Away? – What about the dog?

We have heard of a new ‘dog-sitting’ service called ‘Barking Mad’ where pets are cared for in a home environment by host families and their daily routine is maintained. Further details are available from their website www.barkingmad.uk.com or telephone Helen Warner on 01628 783422. Barking mad are also looking for host families.

This weeks’ requests

- Corks! The proper kind not the rubber version.
- All supermarket/stationery/cereal vouchers or tokens

TALKING HOMEWORK	THINKING SKILLS CHALLENGE
If you could choose to do ANY job for one day, what would it be, and why?	Make up a sentence using the letters of your name – the sillier the better, e.g. Hungry Ants Never normally Annoy Hedgehogs!!!

Some dates for your diary:

DATE	OCCASION	WHO?
28 th June – 2 nd July	Y6 Residential trip to Kingswood	Y6
Wednesday 30 th June	Orange base class assembly	All parents and carers of children in Orange base
Friday 2 nd July	Y4 Adventure Day at Bray Lake	Y4
Sunday 4 th July	PTA Summer Fair	Everyone!!!!
Monday 5 th July	Lower School Sports Day - 1.15pm	Y1 and Y2
Tuesday 6 th July	Class swap day (Y6 visiting new schools)	Whole school
Wednesday 7 th July	Open Evening for parents to meet next years’ teachers – 6pm	Parents
Tuesday 13 th July	Olivia! – 4.30pm	Ticket holders only
Thursday 15 th July	Olivia! – 6pm	Ticket holders only
Friday 16 th July	End of term – 3.20pm	All
19 th – 23 rd July	Part of school open for those that <i>really</i> need it! Close at 2pm on 23rd July	

Caption competition – no room this week.....sorry!!!

A: A football match!