THIS TERM’S SCHOOL VALUE IS:

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Well Done Awards, PTA Halloween Disco, Dates for your Diary
and much more .............
A big thank you first of all to all the parents who turned up this week to parents' evening, it was a really good turn out and I know the children were very proud to show off some of the work they have been doing in class. I hope as well that you have all been enjoying Mathletics at home.

We say a sad farewell to Mrs. Page from the office next Tuesday, I'm sure you will all join me in wishing Mrs. Page all the best for the future and thanking her for all her hard work whilst she has been at Wessex, she will be missed by everyone.

We also need to say a huge congratulations to Miss White who will be getting married at the weekend. From all the staff and children at Wessex may we wish you all the best for your big day and all the best for the future.

We had a fire alarm practice this week and the children were all fantastic and left the building quickly and quietly in under 3 minutes! We were all very impressed. We will be having our lock down drill next week so the children may come home and talk about it.

Hope you all have a fantastic weekend!

Simon Woodbridge
Headteacher
Tel: 01628 626724
Email: office@wesssexprimary.org
Well Done Awards

Friday 13\textsuperscript{th} October

Suleyman Jamar – Year 1
Harrison Walton – Year 1
Ella Bailey – Year 2
Sophie Tull – Year 2
Kaylee Boucher – Year 3
Jessica Shaw – Year 3
Sian Burton – Year 4
Casey Sparks – Year 4
Siddhant Pant – Year 5
Rhys Russell – Year 6
Luke Sherwood – Year 6
House Points for this Term!

- Lancaster: 18,572
- Windsor: 17,043
- York: 13,183
- Stuart: 12,311

Halloween School Disco – Tuesday 31st October

**Lower School:**
3.30pm-4.30pm - £2.50 per child which will include a glow stick and a drink of squash. The children can bring party clothes to change into on the day and they will be collected from their classroom at 4:30pm. Please remember to complete and return the permission slip which your child should already have received by Wednesday 18th October.

**Upper School:**
- Y3& Y4 / 4:45 - 5:45
- Y5& Y6 / 6 - 7pm
Payment of £2.50 per child which will include a glow stick and a drink. Payment should be made via Scopay by Wednesday 18th October. Drop off and collection to the US Hall.

**Reporting your Child Absent**
If your child is off sick or will be absent from school, we need to be informed by **9.15am at the very latest.** Please use the pupil absence line by calling the school and press 1 and leave your child’s name, class and a brief message explaining why they are absent from school. If we do not hear from you by 9.30am then the School Office will send you a text and your child will be marked as having **unauthorised absence** and this may result in a call or letter from the Education Welfare Officer, who will be visiting the school in October to have a look at our records. If your child is late you must sign the late signing in register. This is important for security reasons so please do remember to sign in late.

**Parking on Wessex Way**
We have had a complaint from one of our neighbours on St. Adrian’s Close regarding the constant parking in her designated parking space. Please remember this street is resident parking only.

**Help raise money for the school by shopping!**
Did you know that when you’re shopping online you could be raising a free donation for the school?
There are over 3,100 shops and sites on the easyfundraising website ([www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk)) ready to make a donation, including Amazon, John Lewis and eBay and it doesn’t cost you a penny extra!
All you have to do is join at [www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk), head to the Wessex Primary School page and sign up for free. Every time you shop online go to easyfundraising, pick the retailer you want and start shopping. After you’ve checked out, that retailer will make a donation.

**Get Active Sports – October Half Term Holiday Camp**
Get Active Sports are hosting a Multi Sports Activity Camp here at Wessex Primary School during the October Half Term. *If you book online by midnight on Friday 6th October and enter the code OCT 17 you will receive 10% off your booking.* Information sheets are available from the School Office.

**Little Crickets**
Dates – **Saturday mornings until 16th December**
Times – **9.30am to 10.20am**
Venue – **Furze Platt Leisure Centre, Maidenhead**
- Courses designed specifically for 3 - 6 year boys & girls
- High energy & fun
- A perfect introduction to cricket
- Relaxed, fun and friendly environment
- Improve their physical literacy, balance and co-ordination
- Including hitting, throwing, bowling, stopping, running, turning, jumping and catching
- Great coach/player ratio

10 sessions £88 - 6 sessions £60 - **Free taster sessions available**

**Chelsea FC Foundation Half-Term Club**
Chelsea FC Foundation hopes that the first term back has run smoothly and been enjoyable! We would like to offer the opportunity for pupils to attend our October Soccer Schools at Cox Green Maidenhead and LVS Ascot.

Type: Advanced Soccer School
Venue: Cox Green Leisure Centre
Dates: 26th – 29th October
Times: 9:30 – 3:00pm
Ages: 5-13 years old
Cost: £68

Type: Soccer School
Venue: LVS Ascot
Dates: 27th – 30th October
Times: 9:30 – 3:00pm
Ages: 5-13 years old
Cost: £68

**Royal Windsor Racecourse**
Fireworks and Music Spectacular set to Charlie and the Chocolate Factory! Saturday 4th November with 3D glasses so you can watch fireworks turn into candy canes! Tickets available on [www.windsor-racecourse.co.uk](http://www.windsor-racecourse.co.uk)
Activity Clubs for children with autism at Forest Bridge School, Chiltern Road, Maidenhead SL6 1XA

Come & meet other parents & be creative with your children

Saturday October 3
FUN CONSTRUCTION & CINEMA CLUB
Showing: The SpongeBob Movie: Sponge Out of Water
1pm to 4pm

Saturday October 17
SING, SIGN & ART SESSION
Theme: Toy Story
1pm to 3pm

Saturday October 31
FUN CONSTRUCTION & CINEMA CLUB
Showing: Hotel Transylvania
1pm to 4pm

Saturday November 14
SING, SIGN & ART SESSION
Theme: Under The Sea
1pm to 3pm

Saturday November 21
FUN CONSTRUCTION & CINEMA CLUB
Showing: Minions
1pm to 4pm

Saturday December 5
SING, SIGN & ART SESSION
Theme: Christmas
1pm to 3pm

Saturday December 19
CHRISTMAS PARTY
Sing, sign, art, fun construction & cinema plus more
1pm to 4pm

Sessions are £3 per child & £1 per sibling
Refreshments and materials included in the price
Free parking

To make enquiries or book please see www.standoutforautism.com or email standoutforautism@outlook.com or call Holly on 07411 260153
The Activity Club are parent participation sessions & children are parent’s responsibility at the events
NEW: BOYS JUNIOR DANCE COMPANY - 2017/2018  TRIALS FOR YEARS 3 to 6

We had a great response to the general JDC auditions from boys – so we have decided to create for them their own Company to perform at the Primary Dance Festival in February.

• The company will provide creative training and performance opportunities in dance including dance technique and choreography with a focus on performance. We will focus on dance styles the boys will find interesting such as Street Dance.
• As part of the trial you will be invited to take part in 2 – 3 classes as an audition and at the end of this period we will review how you are getting on and if you have enjoyed it will invite you to continue.
• The cost is £5.50 per week payable in advance by the term (terms are usually 10 or 11 weeks). We will agree a trial period and you will pay for that in advance and then the remainder of the term once you have been accepted.
• **What do I wear?** Comfortable dance clothes (track pants and t shirt) and bare feet.
• **Where is it?** Mondays, term time 5.05 – 6.00 pm - at Furze Platt Senior School Dance Studio.
• **PERFORMANCES** – your first performance will be at the Ascot & Maidenhead School Sport Partnership Dance Festival in February. This takes place during the school days of Weds 7th and Thurs 8th of February 2018.
• The trials start on 18th September – please contact below to book your place.
• **TO APPLY:** please send an email to: Jane Douglass, Community Dance Teacher info@janedouglass.co.uk  - 07913018030
GIRLS ONLY SESSIONS

Beds, Berks and Bucks

Monday 23rd October at
Vandyke Upper School, Vandyke Road, Leighton Buzzard, LU7 3DY
5-11 • 10.30am-3pm • Contact: Steve Maker
Stephen.Maker@TheFA.com • 07943 852302

Tuesday 24th October at
Redborne Upper School, Flitwick Road, Ampthill, Beds, MK45 2NU
5-11 • 10am-3pm • Contact: Natasha Orchard-Smith
Natasha.Orchard-Smith@TheFA.com • 07931 126813

MEGA EVENT

Wednesday 25th October at
Cox Green, Highfield Lane, Maidenhead, SL6 3AX
5-11 • 1pm-3pm • Contact: Mitchel Woodward
Mitchel.Woodward@TheFA.com • 07985 266203

Wednesday 25th October at
Cox Green, Highfield Lane, Maidenhead, SL6 3AX
5-11 • 10am-12pm • Contact: Mitchel Woodward
Mitchel.Woodward@TheFA.com • 07985 266203

Thursday 26th October at
Eatonbury Academy, Stotfold Road, Arlesey, Beds, SG15 6XS
5-11 • 10.30am-3pm • Contact: Maker Humphrey
Mark.Humphrey@TheFA.com • 07931 126784

TheFA.com/Skills

Lidl are lead partner of the The FA Skills programme, bringing more opportunities for children to get active and play football. To see recipes to fuel your footballer, the latest fresh offers and your nearest store visit Lidl.co.uk
2017 DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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Y3 & Y4  } - 4.45pm to 5.45pm  
Y5 & Y6  } - 6pm to 7pm | All                                     |
| Thursday 15\(^{th}\) November | Bags 2 School – 9am                            | All                                     |
| Thursday 23\(^{rd}\) November | Christmas Shopping Evening – 7pm to 9pm       | All                                     |
| Saturday 2\(^{nd}\) December | Christmas Fair – 11am to 2pm                  | All                                     |

Term Dates for the Academic Year 2017 / 2018

Autumn 2017

Term 1 (35 days)
INSET DAY: Monday 4\(^{th}\) September 2017*
INSET DAY: Tuesday 5\(^{th}\) September 2017
Term starts on: Wednesday 6\(^{th}\) September 2017
Term ends on: Friday 20\(^{th}\) October 2017
October Holiday: Monday 23\(^{rd}\) October 2017 to Friday 27\(^{th}\) October 2017

Term 2 (37 days)
Term starts on: Monday 30\(^{th}\) October 2017
Term ends on: Tuesday 19\(^{th}\) December 2017
Christmas Holiday: Wednesday 20\(^{th}\) December 2017 to Tuesday 2\(^{nd}\) January 2018
Spring 2018

Term 3 (28 days)
**INSET DAY:** Wednesday 3rd January 2018
Term starts on: Thursday 4th January 2018
Term ends on: Friday 9th February 2018
**February Holiday:** Monday 12th February 2018 to Friday 16th February 2018

Term 4 (29 days)
Term starts on: Monday 19th February 2018
Term ends on: Thursday 29th March 2018
**Spring Holiday:** Friday 30th March to Friday 13th April 2018
(Good Friday – 30th March; Easter Monday – 2nd April 2018)

Summer 2018

Term 5 (29 days)
Term starts on: Monday 16th April 2018
Term ends on: Friday 25th May 2018
**May Holiday:** Monday 28th May 2018 to Friday 1st June 2018

Term 6 (37 days)
Term starts on: Monday 4th June 2018
Term ends on: Friday 20th July 2018
**INSET DAY:** Monday 23rd July 2018
**INSET Day:** Tuesday 24th July 2018

* INSET days - there are five Inset (or Teacher Training) days to be taken during the 2017/18 academic year. One of these, set by the local authority, will be the first day of Term 1 (Monday 4th September 2017). The remaining four days must be taken within the 195 days given above.