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Friday Note 29
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Dear Parents

Don't forget its bank holiday Monday so don't come in until Tuesday! Have a great long weekend.

Rocket Seeds

Year 5 embarked on an 'out of this world' educational project this week.

The project, Rocket Science, is giving around half a million UK children the chance to learn how science in space contributes to our knowledge of life on earth, using the invaluable expertise of the [European Space Agency](http://www.esa.int) (ESA) and RHS Science team. Two kilograms of rocket seeds took off from Florida bound for the International Space Station as part of British ESA astronaut Tim Peake's six-month Principia mission.



After several months on board, the seeds were sent back and landed in the Pacific Ocean in the spring of 2016. After they returned to the UK, they were sent to schools to grow and compare. By taking part in this experiment we want our pupils to embark on a voyage of discovery to see what growing plants in space can teach us about life on Earth and whether we can sustain human life in space through the production of our own food. We will be inputting our results into a national online database so that results can be compared across all schools in the UK. The project is aimed at inspiring pupils to think scientifically and helping them to see the potential of future careers in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Maths) and Horticulture.

Sporting Success

Congratulations to the Football team who were runners-up at the Y5/6 tournament played last week at Somervale, including holding their nerve in an amazing penalty shoot-out.

Their success was followed-up a day later by the Tag Rugby team who finished in the top half of all schools at the South-West Finals – a really great achievement.

At the weekend we had Tyler, Louie and Liam running as BANES representatives in the Inter-Counties Challenge, with the BANES Y5 team emerging victorious.

Finally, on Wednesday, a team of mixed Y3/4 pupils played in a football tournament, again at Somervale. Well done to all pupils who have represented Westfield so brilliantly, we are very proud of you all.

Primary Schools in F1

We had 3 teams entered in this prestigious and challenging competition. Mrs Chaudhuri and the Y5/6 pupils involved have spent weeks designing their race cars and preparing presentations. The children put a huge amount of effort and enthusiasm in to their ideas and were wonderful ambassadors for our school on the day. Well done.



Sainsburys Active Kids Vouchers



We are collecting the Active Kids vouchers that are being given out at Sainsburys. We have a collection box in the library.

School Crossing Patrol

We have a vacancy for a school crossing patrol, everyday 8.15am – 8.55am @ £7.88 per hour.

For more information contact Beryl Miles

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New Baby

Congratulations to the Peschel family who have had a new baby sister 9 weeks early. Baby Elise was born last Friday weighing a tiny 3lbs 8oz. We were very pleased to see mum this morning looking very well and to inform us that Elise has dropped to just 3lbs but is doing very well and despite being told she would stay in hospital until her due date in June she is hoping to be home in as little as 3/4 weeks.



Diary Dates

May

Mon 2	Bank Holiday
Tues 3	Welfare Gobs Meeting 6.00pm
Wed 4 –	
Fri 6	Year 4 Greatwood Camp
Mon 9	Full Gobs Meeting 6.00pm
Mon 16	Year 2 SATS
Tues 17	Class Photos and Year 6 Leavers
Mon 23	Year 2 SATS
Mon 30-	
Fri 3 June	Half Term

June

Mon 6	Inset Day
Tues 14	New Parents Evening 7.00pm
Thurs 16	Sports Day
Mon 20	Business Gobs Meeting 6.00pm
Tues 21	Play And Learn
Thurs 30	Music Concert 6.00pm

July

Fri 15	Summer Fayre
Weds 13	Year 6 Performance 1.00pm and 5.00pm
Fri 15	Summer Fayre
Tues 19	Year 6 Leavers Disco
Thurs 21	Inset Day
Fri 22	Summer Holidays Start

September

Mon 5	Pupils Return to School
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Full calendar is available from the school foyer.

Please keep your comments coming in. We always like to hear what you think, positive or negative.

Yours sincerely
Mr Simon Mills
Headteacher

Community News

Beetle Drive

Saturday 7th May at 2.30pm.

A family Beetle Drive is being held in St Peter's Church hall. Admission is free and all families are welcome to come along and have some fun. There will be a children's raffle and tea and cake. Children must be accompanied by an adult. For further details contact Margaret Manley 01761 433261.

Mutts With Friends



The Annual fun dog show on Saturday 14th May will be in Clutton. There will be a Bar, BBQ and various stalls, come a long to a family day out.