



# SHEERNESS WEST FEDERATION

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Dear Mums, Dads and Carers,

I am writing to thank those parents who attended the recent Parents' Forum at West Minster School earlier this week. I was delighted to see the numbers in attendance raise again and it was a good opportunity to inform you of the changes and events happening at the school and for parents to raise any relevant issues or questions.

I have included below a summary of some of the information that was discussed at the meeting for those of you who could not attend on this occasion.

Amongst the items discussed were:

- *The building programme at the school has started now and the builders are safely on site. This is due to complete in December 2016*
- *Our new hall extension is now completed and the children are enjoying using the extra space at lunch time and for PE lessons*
- *We are taking down the razor wire which makes our school look ugly and uninviting at the front entrance*
- *We have secured a sponsorship deal with edu-Kent supply teaching agency who will provide a brand new football kit for our children to wear when they participate in sporting events outside of school*
- *We have placed electronic picture photo frames outside of each classroom to show case the excellent art, science, maths and topic work the children are doing. This works as a photographic loop so please have a look at this maybe at the forthcoming parents evening.*
- *Our values education programme is now in its second month of implementation and we have already studied Friendship and currently this month's value is Love.*

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I was also able to give the following reminders about key upcoming dates:

- *Parents evening starts the week of the 14<sup>th</sup> March*
- *School will close at 2.15pm on 24<sup>th</sup> March so that teachers can plan and prepare for the following term*
- *School resumes for the summer term on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> April*
- *Science Boffins project for the children starts the week of 19<sup>th</sup> April*
- *Year 3 are now going swimming every week*
- *School is closed on 29<sup>th</sup> April for an INSET day for all staff*

I am delighted with the progress we are making as a school towards ensuring that we become the very best place for children to learn and I am really pleased that more and more parents are coming into school for events such as the parents' forum, as this is a chance for us to keep you informed about what is happening.

Have a peaceful Easter holiday when it arrives and thank you again,

Yours sincerely,

Steve Davies (Executive Head Teacher)