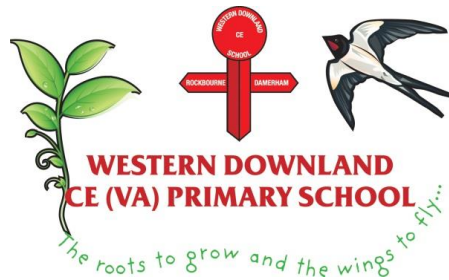


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12th January 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

Consultation on proposal to open Nursery provision for 3-4 year olds at Western Downland Primary School.

Western Downland currently provides education for children from 4-11 years. We are excited to formally announce the proposal to offer 3 and 4 year old children high quality nursery provision at our Damerham site.

It is proposed to extend the age range of children admitted to Western Downland from 4-11 to 3-11. This would mean that 18 places would be available for 3 (or rising 3 in the term they are admitted) and 4 year olds in line with the free entitlement regulations for all children.

The nursery class would be led by a fully qualified teacher together with excellent support staff and would be directly managed by the Early Years Leader, Mrs Mace.

Our small size allows us to provide individualised support for all the children's social, emotional, spiritual and academic development within a caring, nurturing setting led by specialist staff. We also have ideal accommodation and facilities for the nursery class, including the added expertise of specialist Forest School provision. Research has shown that where schools provide quality Early Years education, children make fast progress as they move between the early stages of learning. School staff are able to share their expertise between Early Years and Key Stage 1 and transition to reception would be a smooth and effective process.

We are keen to know your views and we will be holding a meeting on **Wednesday 17th January at 6pm**, at the **Damerham site** where you will have an opportunity to ask questions and give your views about the proposal. You can also email the school at k.wilcox@westerndownland.hants.sch.uk.

If you are able to attend the consultation meeting, please can you indicate on the reply slip below.

Yours sincerely

Miss Kim Wilcox

Head Teacher

Nursery Consultation – Wednesday 17th January

I/We would like to attend the meeting at 6pm at the Damerham site.

Name _____