

#### Message from Mr.Robson

The college held a lovely assembly this half term to celebrate our first group of successful Duke of Edinburgh Bronze award winners. The DofE award requires students to show a range of skills but much more importantly it requires determination and

commitment. These are qualities that our students all need to develop if they are to succeed later in life and this group of students showed just what can be achieved when you are prepared to give something new a go, stick at it and not give up.

Becky Killick and other members of staff have been working with the next group and over the last two weekends have completed their distance walk and overnight camp. This group have also achieved and passed their DofE assessment, and so are on their way to completing their award. This group, like the last, are hugely proud of their achievement and so they should be.

The message is clear both for our students and to be fair all round:

Try something new; Give it your absolute best; Don't give up.

It really is that simple!



## **Upcoming Events**

- ⇒ 30th May—3rd June—Half Term
- ⇒ **8th June**—Red, white and blue day
- ⇒ **20th June**—Sports day on ICC Field
- ⇒ 20th—22nd June— International days
- ⇒ 2nd July Friends of Manor Green Summer Fair
- ⇒ 7th July—Garden Day
- ⇒ 11th July—INSET day
- ⇒ 22nd July—Last day of term
- ⇒ 8th Sept—First day back



You can order school uniform by telephone, email or over the website and they are delivered to the school on Fridays or if local, to your house if you prefer.

Please visit:

www.taylormadeuniforms.co.uk or call 08006430712 / 01403250644



## Big Pedal

18th & 19th of April

Thank you to everyone who took park and to all that helped raise money for the new trike. We raised an amazing £832.90!!!!

We are also extremely grateful to Mr Flowerday and the Freemason Lodge who have very kindly made a donation of the missing £275 needed to the College so that the new fixed wheel trike can be ordered.





Another big thank you to Tesco's and Morrison's in Crawley for donating enough fruit so that all our students could make their own smoothie on the smoothie bike!



**TESCO** 





#### Cooking with 4GC & 4DJ

This half term we have been following a 'summer' theme in cooking. We have made our own burgers from scratch. We also made quiche which was surprisingly very nice! My favourite bit of cooking was adding chilli into my burger recipe and getting Mr Court to taste it!!







#### 'Playing with your food': a Science Workshop





Key Stage 3 students enjoyed a science workshop delivered by Mr. Simon Watts on the 9th of May called 'Playing with your food' which was made possible by CRAWLEY STEMFEST.

During the workshop, students had the opportunity to engage with a variety of short and fun experiments concerning food and drink.

Students had the opportunity to ask questions:

'What happens if you hit custard with a hammer?'
'How do you make a balloon kebab?'
'What happens if I heat up a balloon full of water with a lighter?'

Students also had to make predictions and then explain what they actually saw whilst having loads of fun. Feedback from all students and teachers was very positive proving that science is a fun subject!

D.Patel (KS3 science/ math teacher)



### **Year 7/8 Football Tournament**

On the 25<sup>th</sup> of April the year 7/8 students took part in a football tournament at The Pyramid. We had two teams and they all played very well. We had one particular star player, Bradley, who scored 26 goals in the tournament. However, we were robbed in the semi-final; even Messi cannot manage with a whole team marking him! The day was fantastic and behaviour was excellent. We all enjoyed ourselves.

#### A Message from our Physio team

Physiotherapist (PT) and Occupational (OT) at Manor Green College have set up a generic email to contact them about your child's therapy needs at school. Any parent who wishes to begin contacting the team by email may use this address: SC-TR.specialschoolotptnorth@nhs.net.

Parents will need to sign a consent form which explains terms and conditions of using the electronic method and return the consent form to the school Therapist.

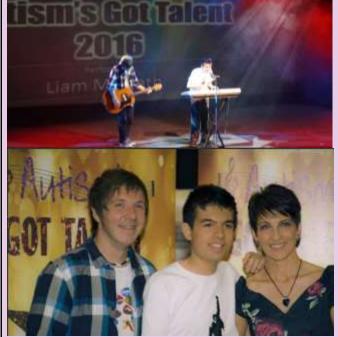
> Many thanks, Paediatric Therapy Team Crawley Hospital

## Holidays During Term Time

This is a reminder to parents that holidays during term time should be avoided. Personal requests for holidays during term time will be taken into consideration as long as they can explain why it is necessary to go in term time and as long as the attendance is good (92% attendance or more).



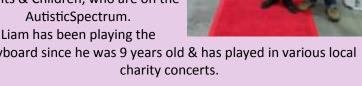




On Saturday 7th May, McMath from 4DS played his keyboard & sang in front of an audience of 800+ people, in the Mermaid Theatre, London.

Liam was chosen out of just under 500 entries for Autisms Got Talent, which was created by Anna Kennedy Online, to showcase Adults & Children, who are on the AutisticSpectrum.

keyboard since he was 9 years old & has played in various local



It was an incredibly long day, as they had to arrive in London early for rehearsals & got to meet and see the other acts perform throughout the afternoon.

When the time came, Liam stood backstage with his Mum, waiting patiently to go on.

He played a rendition of Queens "Crazy Little Thing Called Love" with Jim Duncan & the whole audience clapped all the way through.

At the end, the Theatre roared with cheering & gave a standing ovation.

Liam absolutely LOVED it & stood there, with a huge grin on his face, just taking it all in.

Accompanied by about 20 friends and family & quite a lot of Autism Support Crawley attending, it was definitely one of the most proudest moments in Liams life.

Well Done Liam!





## IMPROVING THE WAY WE COMMUNICATE WITH YOU

We are delighted to announce that we shall shortly be moving our communications to a company called Schoolgateway. This will give us a greater range of communication options, along with improved payment facilities for school dinners, trips and clubs. There will also be the added feature of a smartphone app! We will be providing you with details of how to transition from ParentMail soon.



## Schoolgateway



#### Dance for the Special Generation

On Friday 18<sup>TH</sup> March, 16 KS3 students took part in the **Crawley Dance Show** on the main stage at the Hawth Theatre.

The students worked hard for several weeks to learn their moves and came up with a few of their own. They were nervous of course but we were very proud of their performance and behaviour throughout the evening. They were a credit to Manor Green College and we all enjoyed the whole process.

Gwen Atkinson

## Art Trip to Tate Britain Galleries, London

At the end of April a group of potential GCSE art students from year 9 joined our Year 10 GCSE art students on a trip to Tate Britain on the edge of the Thames, just along from the Houses of Parliament, London (not to be confused with the sister gallery Tate Modern on the Southbank).

The group enjoyed an afternoon of drawing exercises in the galleries with an artist provided by Tate Britain. The students were extremely thoughtful about the works on display in the galleries, including Tracey Emin's "Bed" and were very animated by the end of the session when they asked the artist lots of very perceptive questions.

The students really enjoyed the day and were extremely polite and hardworking at the galleries, they were also very patient on our traffic-laden journey home on a hot Friday afternoon. They were a credit to the College and it was a

pleasure to take this group out.





Vanessa Dell





# **DofE Expedition**



Congratulation to Michael Ormandy, Kenny Greenwood, Ben Abou-el-Abbes and Kieren Stevens who all qualified.

A big thank you to Steven Smale who was unable to do the walk but supported the group amazingly with encouragement and practical help both during their walk and at the campsite. Steven will be joining in with next years expedition.

Becky K









#### Wild Manor Green

We are delighted that we have won £500 from the Grow Wild Youth Awards. The funding application was written by a small team of Year 7 students who asked for money to make glass panels based on Wild Flowers. The classes taking part in this project are 3DP, 3GA, 3JW & 3SN. Already these groups have visited Wakehurst Place to draw wild flowers growing around the Millennium Seed Bank and have translated these drawings into ideas and sketches for the panels.

The final glass products will be created by our Teachers Ms Norton and Ms Dell and fired by a glass artist. We hope to have the pieces incorporated into a sculptural installation for one of our outside spaces by the end of the summer term.



## Zainab's experience in London

While on a GCSE Art trip to Tate Britain, in April, our Year 10 student Zainab Shah-Jahan found her experience in London rather challenging.

Due to her trip not being the best, Zainab had a personal letter from the House of Commons, officially apologising for the lack of disabled provision for her. As part of this, Zanaib and a friend have been invited for a tour of the Houses of Parliament and for afternoon tea.





Bike club is doing fantastic, we now have about 45 new riders since September 2014. Parents/carers are more than welcome to come along to learn or gain confidence, its a great family activity. We have had family groups come along and learn to ride.



We held our 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Autism Support Day on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May. The event was an overwhelming success being attended by over 200 people. There were representatives from 30 organisations who each had an information stand in the main hall. We had two very special guest speakers Dean Beadle and Austin Hughes.

Thank you to all those who supported the event.





A big BIG thank you to the Royal Variety Club and the golf society for sponsoring a minibus for the college.

Our student Jennie Duggan wrote the following about the presentation of the minibus:

"On Monday the 2nd of May, 2016, I was chosen to go to the presentation of the new minibus with Ellie and Colin. We went to pick up the bus with Caroline and Nelia. When we saw the minibus it was BRAND NEW and light blue. It was sponsored by Sunshine Coaches.

We had to drive to Kingwood Golf Course which is in Tadworth. We had lots of pictures taken. We saw some famous celebrities including Naga Munchetty from BBC breakfast. I loved my day out even though it was raining."







## **ONLINE SAFETY**



We have now completed our on-line safety program for Key Stage 3 and 4. The students looked at various topics that could be potential dangers when on-line. Similarly they looked at how to find advice and deal with potential issues. The main site to find advice and help is:

www.thinkuknow.co.uk

Part of keeping children safe on-line is how their on-line behaviour at home is managed. We are keen to run short workshops to give parents advantage to understand the current threats and pitfalls. The workshops are designed to help parents and those who care for our students support safe on-line activity. The training also looks at new developments in technology which can help promote learning and communicating. Both the on-line safety lessons being provided for students at the College and parent workshops promote the advantages of using on-line technology. The College believes that the Internet is a fun place to enjoy finding information and communicating with friends but that it must be used with caution.

Finally we had a fantastic on-line assembly on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May where Year 11 students kindly gave their time to give a dramatization of an on-line safety message. We had guests Sally and Jay from O<sub>2</sub> in Crawley promoting a service for keeping safe on mobile technology. O<sub>2</sub> has joined forces with the NSPCC to provide parents with the skills and tools to help keep their children safe on-line. They also offer face to face guru sessions at O<sub>2</sub> shops to help you and your child should you have on-line issues. We are sending home details and leaflets for you to read. We are also sending home a

glossy magazine with lots of useful information for you and your child/ren to use. There are some fantastic ideas and easy reading guides on how to keep your child/ren and yourself safe on-line.

Please do get in contact with the College if you would like more information on the parent workshops.

Mr P Cambridge



## **TATALON AND Dance for a Special Generation**

Our Art Teacher Vanessa Dell has played a key role in securing £15,000 of Arts Council England funding to fund a year-long dance-based project in six special schools and a sixth form college in West Sussex. The project involves a number of other key partners, including professional dancers from the StopGap Dance Company and researchers from the Education Institute at University of Chichester.

We will host professional dancers from StopGap, who include dancers with additional needs within the company, to run a series of workshops with one of our classes here at the college. The aim of the project is to raise levels of achievement for children with special educational needs by extending teaching approaches used in the performing arts to other areas of the curriculum. The schools and college involved are:

ARTS COUNCIL

- Queen Elizabeth II Silver Jubilee School, Horsham
- Manor Green College, Crawley
- Fordwater School, Chichester
- Oak Grove College, Worthing
- **Woodlands Meed School, Burgess**

Hill

- St Anthony's School, Chichester
- The College of Richard Collyer, Horsham





Maria Cook, Chair of Autism Support Crawley, has teamed up with District Commander Chief Inspector Dave Padwick and his two Disability Engagement Officers to not only deliver Autism Awareness training to his officers, but to also get our families working with the police to break down some barriers and dispel some myths and get young people with ASD to trust the police and feel safe and understood if they were to ever come into contact with them.

Two sessions have been arranged at Crawley Police Station on Saturday June 4th at 13:45 and Saturday September 10th also at 13:45. These hour-long sessions are aimed at ages 12 and upwards. Each session has room for families. There will be a general tour of the station, a chance to look at and handle some equipment, investigate the vehicles, look inside the cells and plenty of time to talk freely.

If you would like to visit the Police Station please contact Maria directly by emailing:

maria@autismsupportcrawley.co.uk.



## Student of the Half Term



#### **KS3 Class Based**

#### Consistent Good Work and Behaviour - Ben Randall 3EJ

Ben has had quite a challenging half term with getting used He will help the adults as much as he is physically able to, to more questions that promote her independence. ensure he is in the right position to help strengthen his

Ben has a great sense of humour and he has grown in confidence with how he communicates in class with his 'big Consistent Good Work and Behaviour - Sam Teles Amaro voice', we love having him around and will really miss him 4LC when he moves to his new class in KS4.

#### Personal Development - Edward Shaw 3SM

transitioning to KS4 quite smoothly without much ado.

activities.

Edward exhibits great resilience during the most trying of strategies to help him to manage and calm quickly. times, he has started to walk away from situations that Sam has also made great progress with his communication hitherto he had reacted quite negatively to.

We are all very proud of Edward and pleased with all the Sam. We are extremely proud of you. progress that he has made this term.

school to Manor Green.

extremely well and

is making brilliant progress in all curriculum areas. He joins in lunches for herself - and sometimes her friends. activities, has made

especially enjoys

music, reading, maths and swimming.

#### **KS3 Modular**

#### Consistent Good Work and Behaviour – Jack Willis 3JW

member of the class. He has a great sense of humour and is reading and handwriting. a fantastic character.

Well done Jack!

#### Personal Development - Thomas Smith 3SU

swiftly become an important member of the class.

Thomas can sometimes find change a little bit difficult but Alice loves to listen to a range of stories and has generally Thomas has coped brilliantly with this and new friendships made pleasing progress this term. Well done. have blossomed with his new classmates.

#### Most Improvement in Learning - Sana Zahid 3SF

Sana is a very conscientious student who always works to the best of her abilities. She always does her homework promptly. Her work is neat and organised. She always has to a new physio programme and walker, both of which are the equipment she needs. Her behaviour is excellent, and very physically demanding. But Ben has approached these she is willing to help her peers. She is a very polite young challenges as he does most things with a smile on his face. lady, who is becoming increasingly confident and asking

Sam has had an incredible half term. He is an enthusiastic and ambitious student who has a great sense of humour. He participates in all of his lessons and works extremely hard, Edward shows great maturity in the classroom and has been especially in GCSE Maths. He is currently revising for his GCSE's and will be sitting his exams this term which is a huge He will patiently wait to take his turn during all activities, achievement. Sam has also made outstanding progress with willing to try his best even for some otherwise challenging managing his behaviour. He is able to tell an adult how he is feeling or if something is upsetting him and he is able to use

and is able to interact well with staff and students. Well done

#### Personal Development - Kristia Bertrand

Most Improvement in Learning - Jake Spencer-Monshall This young lady has made fantastic progress in the area of independent living. She has been using switch technology to Jake found the transition last September from primary cook her own lunch every day. Kristia uses fresh ingredients that she has shopped for herself which are then chopped up College difficult and confusing. However, he has settled in in her food processor. Kristia combines the ingredients with all kinds of spices in an electric wok to make delicious

As well as cooking, Kristia has been working hard to practice new friends and is becoming much more independent. Jake driving her motorised wheelchair and is trying new software to increase her independence with computing. All these activities require considerable hard work and Kristia deserves this award for her focus and determination. Well done Kristia!

#### Most Improvement in Learning - Alice Layzell 4DS

lack is consistently hard working and is a friendly, popular Alice has made very good progress in literacy, especially in

She can read a range of familiar and high frequency words and simple sentences independently and can retrieve information from short pieces of text.

In handwriting activities Alice can now write her name Thomas has recently become a member of 3SU and has clearly and has started to form recognisable letters/ words and sentences.

#### KS5

#### Consistent Good Work and Behaviour — Mitchell Ryan

Mitchell has been brilliant at concentrating during all of his lessons, especially sticking to tasks and demonstrating determination in his lessons. Mitchell continues to be on time for lessons. He is a very popular and caring member of the year 14 group.

#### Personal Development—Bulbul Dullo

Bulbul has had a fantastic FE Activity Week, particularly enjoying the festival and sleepover. Bulbul threw himself wholeheartedly and positively in to a range of activities. This has been particularly nice to see as Bulbul has just had a period of ill health.

#### Most Improvement in Learning —Guy Retter

Guy has learned to prioritise his tasks and communicate appropriately with staff when he is busy and stressed. Guy has made some great progress in his English and communication, showing a real willingness to listen and learn. A great improvement, Well Done!

#### Headteacher's Award: Ben Wilcox 3SU

Ben always tries his very best and his behaviour is consistently good. Ben's confidence has grown and he will always give something a try. Ben was excellent when taking part in Dance Time.



## Friends of Manor Green



Friends of Manor Green is a very important part of every pupils life. We raise funds for each child to benefit from, across the primary and the college. We hold fairs and apply for grants from businesses for projects around the school and college sites.

We are always looking for new ideas and support so please feel free to contact friends via email:

<u>r.telesamaro@btinternet.com</u> or through the college office.

## GBlonde THE MUSICAL

Please have a look at the Legally Blonde review on our website!

## **Match Funding**

#### Do you work for a company who offers Match Funding?

The most important thing about match funding is that it costs you nothing but each match can raise hundreds of pounds for the school, and this in turn is used for your child's education.

Match funding is offered by many Regional, National and International Companies to charities championed by their employees. Organisations in all sorts of sectors offer this support including Legal, Accountancy, High Street Retail, Banking, Financial, Petrochemical, Pharmaceutical, Manufacturing and even Utilities.

If you know you are or think you might be eligible please contact us.

## **bulksins**

A big thank you to bulksms for kindly crediting our account with 10,000 text message credits which we use to text parents.

They said that this was there way of saying thank you for the valuable contribution our school makes to our community.

Thank you very much!



#### Lady Margaret Road after Half Term

We have been informed that after half term Lady Margaret Road will be closed to traffic except for access to the schools and surgery. There will be no parking on the road and the one way access will be closed. This situation is likely to continue for approximately seven months, so please bear in mind there will be increased traffic in this area.

## **Sainsburys Active Kids Vouchers**

Please bring in any Sainsburys Active Kids vouchers that you may have left over!





## **Happy Retirement Carol!**

We were sad to say goodbye to Carol Hemsley on Friday the 20<sup>th</sup> of May after 16 long years of dedicated hard work.

Carol was one of our cleaners and what an amazing job she did.

Carol didn't only retire on Friday, but it was also her 70th birthday. We all wish Carol the very best and we will all miss her.

## Gatwick

Hidden Disabilities—To improve the airport experience for vulnerable passengers who may not want to share details of their hidden disabilities, Gatwick can offer a special lanyard to wear on your journey through our airport. This will identify you to staff as someone who may need additional support or understanding. Airport staff have been specially trained to recognise the lanyards and act accordingly.

Autistic Spectrum Disorder—The National Autistic Society has some helpful advice on what to do if you're travelling with children or adults with autism. Gatwick also produce an autism friendly visual guide to travelling through Gatwick Airport which will help familiarise you with what to expect at the airport in advance of your holiday.

For more information on how Gatwick Airport can help or to request help, please email our team at:

#### autism.at.gatwick@ocs.co.uk

Young People with ADHD—Children and young people with ADHD are very susceptible to anxiety and find any change to their normal daily routine potentially stressful. Gatwick recommend that you take time to prepare your child for the journey in advance and bring lots of activities to keep them busy at the airport and on the plane. You can find more advice in Gatwicks <u>Making your journey easier</u> booklet

Please see below a letter regarding a free pan-disability football taster session in Horsham on Saturday the 11th of June.

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to you on behalf of Albion in the Community (AITC), the official charity of Brighton & Hove Albion Football Club.



We are the largest provider of disability sport in Sussex and hold a number of weekly football sessions for people of all ages who are living with a disability.

We would like to let you know of a free pan-disability football taster day we are holding in Horsham on Saturday 11 June.

Qualified coaches from AITC will be at the Holbrook Club in North Heath Lane between 10.30am and midday and anyone who has a disability and an interest in playing sport is welcome to come along and take part. There is no age restriction - other than over fives only - and children and adults are welcome.

This is a fantastic chance for people who have a disability and live in the Horsham area to come along, meet our coaches, give football a try and find out about the opportunities available to them.

At AITC we believe that everyone should have the chance to play regular football regardless of whether or not they have a disability.

We would be delighted to welcome you, or anyone you know who you think would be interest.

The plan is that, if there is the demand in the Horsham area, we can set up a regular football session in the town.

If you would like more information on the taster day please email us at <a href="mailto:disability@albioninthecommunity.org.uk">disability@albioninthecommunity.org.uk</a> or call Philip Broom on 07876898028

Yours sincerely,
Albion in the Community (AITC)



In support of the Friend's of Manor Green Summer Fair we will be having 4 non-uniform days for the students.

On the following dates we request donations which we can offer at the fair:

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June

Donations requested: TOILETRIES AND GIFTABLE ITEMS please Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June

Donations requested: BOTTLES – alcohol & soft drinks please and /or a jar filled with sweets

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June

Donations requested: TOYS and GAMES please

Friday 1st July

Donations requested: CAKES, CAKES!

We thank you for your donations and look forward to seeing you at the fair.





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# Golf Day at Tilgate for Autism Support Crawley, in association with A-Zone, DWS, Mitchell Interiors & The Knight Pub. Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> September.

#### Schedule Includes:

10am Introductions and 4 ball selections with Tea/Coffee and a bacon roll.

11am Scheduled Tee Off times per groups.

7pm Golfers meet back at The Knight Pub for presentations.

#### Prizes:

1st & 2nd place, 3 x Closest to the Pin and 2 x Longest Drive prizes up for grabs. Also "THE WOODEN SPOON." All prizes have been donated by A-Zone Windscreen Repairs.

#### The Knight:

Presentation, Buffet, Raffle, Evening Function and live music by "FourTold"

#### The Cause:

Autism Support Crawley is a local support group run by volunteers for parents and carers with children/young adults on the Autistic Spectrum or with Social Communication Disorders.

Autism is a lifelong disability which places enormously stressful demands on us as parents and carers.

We are therefore committed to pursuing every possible opportunity to create the most beneficial and stable environments for the future development of our members' children and help generate an element of calm within the households. The proceeds will go to Autism Support Crawley. Monies raised will help the continuing growth of the group.

It will provide training and workshops for parents and carers; it will enable members to benefit from professional guest speakers who are experts in the complex field of Autism.

#### To Join Us:

To enter: - we would require competent golfers of all standards. £30 entry Fee gives you holes of golf and all of the above.

Please Contact Lee on 07920 749527 or Icook11@hotmail.co.uk for more details.

Find us on Twitter @AutismSCrawley

# Outward bounds sessions

For people aged 16+ with disabilities

At Tilgate Lake, Crawley Meeting at the boat house Every Monday (weather permitting) from 4 April to 31 October 2016 10.30-11.30am

£5 per person

Please wear appropriate clothing. Life jackets will be provided.



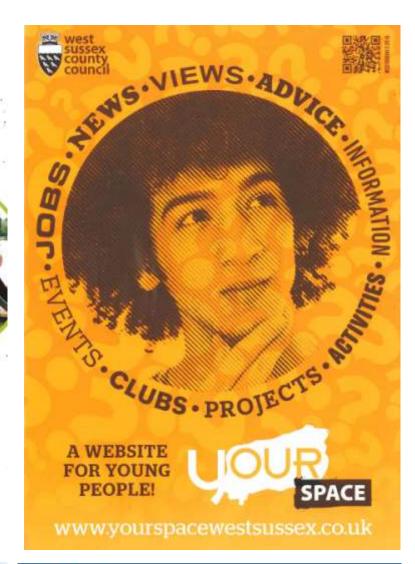


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For more information contact 01293 552222 or andy@dynamicadventures.co.uk















Launching in April 2016, West Sussex County Council has teamed up with local charity, Amaze, to deliver "Gammass Gard West Susses" - a card which will provide special deals at dozens of venues.

#### What deals do you want?

Fill in our quick questionnaire

waw.nurvoystmo.com/s5/38/18/7/CompastWelfSusser or pick up a printed copy in your local library. Alternatively, call Arrists on 0900 123 9185 and we will sand a copy to you.

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You can also check the latest Focus Orsup dates and details on our Fiscebook page www.facebook.com/CompassCardWestSusses or on the Arress website www.arrasstrighton.org.uk/services and support/fibe compass card/ compass-card west-assess.

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