



West Lodge Primary School Weekly Bulletin

Respecting each other, learning creatively, challenging all.

Friday 25th June 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you are all well. It has been another exciting week at West Lodge with Reception enjoying their first ever school trip and Y6 experiencing a fun-packed end to the week with a whole host of adventurous activities as part of their Y6 camp experience. Maroon Class took us on a journey aboard the Empire Windrush in their class assembly today and we learnt about the resilience, optimism and perseverance demonstrated by the Windrush generation – inspiring us to maintain our firm commitment to championing diversity, equality and equity.

COVID Update

Here is the latest COVID update from Harrow Public Health: [Latest Harrow COVID Update](#) . With cases rising it remains important to maintain vigilance and to continue to follow the protective measures that we have in place.

National Online Safety Posters

National Online Safety have produced some useful guidance posters on a range of issues – the following links provide good advice on the following topics: supporting mental well-being (both online and offline) [Support Mental Well-being](#) ; understanding email scams [What Parents & Carers Need to Know about email Scams](#) and tackling online hate [Tackling Online Hate](#) .



Year 6 have enjoyed a fabulous two days on the West Lodge Y6 Camp. They enjoyed a range of activities including battling it out in the laser tag course; demonstrating excellent climbing skills by shinning it up the portable climbing wall; working collaboratively to solve a variety of puzzles; navigating their way through the nature trail and overcoming various obstacles – including a surprise water shower; learning how to build fires and roasting marshmallows. It was an action packed two days punctuated by an evening watching movies on a giant screen on the school field with ice-cream and popcorn! Thank you to the Y6 staff team for organising the activities; FOWLS for providing the ice-cream and to the children for being such a fabulous cohort throughout their time at West Lodge!



Former West Lodge pupils, Max and Aaran recently battled it out on the cricket pitch as captains of their respective Y7 cricket teams – Watford Grammar narrowly beat QE Boys. Y1 enjoyed working in teams to build castles out of junk material – they had great fun! Reception enjoyed their first ever school trip on a day out to Bekonscot Model Village where they learnt about transport in the old days and took a train ride. Y4 have been working with textiles and making eye-catching African wall hangings. Y5 have been enjoying catch-up swimming lessons – here is Lucy proudly sporting her participation medal. An exciting workshop learning about Mary Seacole and Florence Nightingale was enjoyed by Y2.

Upcoming Dates

Our **parents' forum** next week will focus on our curriculum intent and some of the changes we have made as a result of taking part in the Equality in Education project. **This will take place at 1:45pm on Friday 2nd July.** Here is the Zoom link

<https://zoom.us/j/99541119880?pwd=a2thTDU5UEtOdjU0cGRtV096Vkh0dz09> Meeting ID: 995 4111 9880 Passcode: 040365

Reminder: Healthy Living Workshop for all parents on **Thursday 8th July at 6:30pm** – the school nurse will be joining us.

Well-being Tip – Do a good deed

Making life better for others is a great way to boost your own well-being. Helping someone else feels good, as it gives us a sense of purpose and self-worth. Even small acts of kindness can make a big difference. Try helping out a neighbour, getting in touch with a friend or relative who may need some support, or volunteering for a local cause. Kids love to do a good deed, get them involved!

'We rise by lifting others.' Robert Ingersoll **'Your greatness is not what you have, it is what you give.'** Alice Hocker

Thank you for your continued support, I hope you have an enjoyable weekend!

Jim Dees

Summer Term 2021					
Date	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
28 th June – 2 nd July 30 Days Wild Challenge	Y5 swimming (Aquamarine)	Y5 swimming (Aquamarine)	Y5 swimming (Aquamarine)	US Virtual Music Concert Y5 swimming (Aquamarine)	Lilac Class Assembly Y5 swimming (Aquamarine) Parents' Forum 13:45
5 th – 9 th July	Y5 swimming (Emerald)	US Sports Day Y5 swimming (Emerald)	Class swap day Y6 Transition Day (Harrow Schools) Y5 swimming (Emerald)	Y6 Transition Day (Watford Grammar/St Clement Danes) Y6 Choices workshop Y5 swimming (Emerald) Healthy Living Workshop 18:30	Reception end of year Celebration Assembly Reports out Y5 swimming (Emerald)
12 th – 16 th July	Y5 swimming (Emerald)	LS Sports Day Y5 swimming (Emerald)	RM Committee 19:00 Q & S Committee 19:00 Y5 swimming (Emerald)	Y5 swimming (Emerald) Parents' Eve 16:00 – 18:00	FOWLS Summer Fair Y5 swimming (Emerald)
19 th – 23 rd July		Play morning for new Reception Children & networking for parents	Y6 Production	Peter Daffon Assembly & Y6 Enterprise Assembly Y6 Leavers' BBQ & Disco	Leavers' Assembly End of Term – LS children finish at 1.15pm US children finish at 1.30pm