



West Lodge Primary School Weekly Bulletin

Respecting each other, learning creatively, challenging all.

Friday 21st May 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you are all well. We have experienced an enjoyable week at school – the FOWLS football tournaments have provided some exciting action throughout the week. The children played with determination and skill and we had some dramatic moments with penalty shoot-outs, stunning goals and great teamwork. Well done to all those who took part and thank to the brilliant FOWLS team for organising and co-ordinating the tournaments so successfully. Also, thank you to Jack and Rahmaan – two former West Lodge pupils who, along with Greg from APB, did a great job refereeing the matches. Thank you to Mr O'Rourke, Mr Khalfi, Mr Long and Mr Went who co-ordinated the different year group tournaments and the Year 6 helpers who did a great job helping to organise the younger pupils.

COVID Update

Here is the latest COVID update from Harrow Public Health - [Harrow COVID Update - 4th June](#). The Public Health England report, that has just been released, states that the Delta variant is approximately 66% more transmissible than the Alpha variant and it accounts for over 90% of cases within London – the r rate in London has now increased to between 1.2 – 1.4. It still remains important for us to be vigilant and maintain the protective measures that we currently have in place. A reminder that our [COVID Protocol Flowchart](#) can be found on the school website alongside other key documents and guides.

Roofing Work

Work to update and improve the upper school roof – commissioned by Harrow Council – will begin on Monday 28th June. Scaffolding has been put in place in preparation for this work, which will last for up to 10 weeks. It should be completed before the children return in September.

Positive Behaviour Management Workshop for Parents

We are once again running a Positive Behaviour workshop for parents led by the Harrow Early Support Team. The session will be on zoom and will provide tips and strategies for parents with regards to managing challenging behaviour at home. A Zoom link will be sent out next week.

Topics include: positive parenting strategies, managing feelings, modelling, praise, special time, setting boundaries

Date: Monday 21st June 2021

Time: 10:00 – 11:30am

See the flyer for more information. [Flyer - Positive Behaviour Management Workshop for Parents](#)



In this week's learning Year 4 children were using an ammeter to investigate how the length of wire in a circuit affected the amount of electricity passing through it. Reception made delicious, healthy, fruit smoothies. Y2 celebrated India Day and children learned about Gandhi, painted the Indian flag on t-shirts, held an amazing Indian concert on the stage in the adventure playground and took part in many other activities. Reception were visited by a parent Artist, Julian George, on Zoom. They were given a virtual tour of his studio, he then demonstrated how he mixes paints and some of the techniques he uses to paint the ocean. The children were so inspired, they created their own masterpieces of sunsets and the seaside. Our Y4 cricket teams took part in the St John's tournament and won all their matches. Action shots from the Y1 and Y5 football tournaments!

Community Gardening Day

We are organising another community gardening day and are looking for volunteers to help us do some work in in the school grounds on Saturday 26th June from 10am - 12.30pm. We will be planting hedges, finish adding woodchips to the nature trail, clearing the surface area of the Adventure Playground, building a mound for children to climb on, and clearing the pond in our environmental area. No particular skills are required, just enthusiasm and a sunny attitude. Tea, coffee, juice and biscuits will be provided to keep us fuelled. Please let us know if you want to join us by emailing: r@westlodge.harrow.sch.uk

Well-being Tip – Reframe Unhelpful Thoughts

The way we think, feel and behave are linked. Sometimes we develop patterns of thoughts or behaviours that are unhelpful, so recognising them and taking steps to think about things differently, can improve your mental health and well-being.

'Change the way you feel, by changing the way you think!' Christine Pedesky

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

Jim Dees

Summer Term 2021					
Date	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7 th – 11 th June 30 Days Wild Challenge	Y5 swimming (Amber)	Y5 swimming (Amber)	Y3/4 Parents RSE Workshop 2:30pm Y5 swimming (Amber) FOWLS Football Tournament – Reception, Year 1 and Year 4 New Reception Parents' Meeting 18:30	Y6 Height and Weight Check Y3/4 Parents RSE Workshop 2:30pm FOWLS Football Tournament – Year 2 and Year 3 Y5 swimming (Amber)	Y2 India Day Y5 swimming (Amber) FOWLS Football Tournament – Year 5 and Year 6
14 th – 18 th June 30 Days Wild Challenge	Y5 swimming (Amber)	Year 5 ZooLab Y5 swimming (Amber)	Y5 swimming (Amber)	FOWLS Fathers' Day Pop-up Shop Y5 swimming (Amber)	Turquoise Class Assembly Y5 swimming (Amber)
21 st – 25 th June 30 Days Wild Challenge	Y5 swimming (Aquamarine)	Y5 swimming (Aquamarine)	Y5 swimming (Aquamarine)	Y6 Camp Y5 swimming (Aquamarine)	Maroon Class Assembly Y6 Camp Y5 swimming (Aquamarine)
28 th June – 2 nd July 30 Days Wild Challenge	Play session for new Reception children Y5 swimming (Aquamarine)	Y5 swimming (Aquamarine)	Y5 swimming (Aquamarine) Healthy Living Workshop 6:30pm	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)	Reception end of year Celebration Assembly Reports out Y5 swimming (Emerald)

12 th – 16 th July	Y5 swimming (Emerald)	LS Sports Day	RM Committee 19:00	Parents' Eve 16:00 – 18:00	FOWLS Summer Fair
		Y5 swimming (Emerald)	Q & S Committee 19:00	Y5 swimming (Emerald)	Y5 swimming (Emerald)
			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	Leavers' Assembly
				Y6 Leavers' BBQ & Disco	End of Term – LS children finish at 1.15pm US children finish at 1.30pm