



West Lodge Primary School Weekly Bulletin

Respecting each other, learning creatively, challenging all.

Friday 23rd April 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you are all well. At West Lodge this week the children have been working hard in lessons, making the best use of our outdoor spaces and enjoying each other's company. The social aspect of school is so important and the one thing that children were looking forward to most about being back in school was being with their friends. Today our Digital Leaders began judging the entries to the FOWLS Digital Creativity Festival – the children have shown great ingenuity, skill and innovation – there are some amazing creations! The awards ceremony will now take place on Wednesday 19th May at 2pm. The dates for the rest of the summer term are on pages 2 and 3 of this document – new or changed items are in blue.



Last Saturday a group of volunteers joined us for a morning of community gardening. It was a wonderful and productive day. We have planted fruit trees, herbs and flowers. The path in the nature trail has fresh woodchips. The raised beds have been weeded and the bike shed has never looked this clean before. Also, the children in Reception now have a real sailing boat in the playground. A big thank you to the parents, children and ex-pupils for their enthusiasm and hard work. In the picture you can see Rosa, Amy and James all busy in their different areas helping to improve our environment.

Mufti Day – Vaccinaid – Friday 7th May

Next Friday will be a non-uniform day – Diya in Year 6 had suggested raising money to support the COVID crisis in the Indian Subcontinent where cases are continuing to rise, hospitals are overwhelmed and oxygen supplies are running out. One way we can support these communities is by raising money for Vaccinaid – which is a Unicef campaign. Vaccinaid are working to deliver more vaccines to these areas. Children can come to school in their own clothes next Friday (7th May) and bring a donation to support this charity. We are also setting up a fundraising page – we will send out the link for this on Tuesday.



Here is a 'before and after' photo of Catherine. She has donated her hair to the Little Princess Trust, a charity that makes wigs using real hair, for children who have lost their hair due to cancer treatment or other conditions. Catherine has set up a justgiving page, if you would like more information please contact the school. Pearl class have been studying electricity – here are some images of the children in Pearl Class linking different electrical components together to make a lamp light. Ariv and Chelsea from Silver class made their own seesaw at Forest School, whilst Rian (Gold class) and Arjun (Yellow class) have been building muscle strength pulling each other in a wooden trolley.

We are looking forward to enjoying some class assemblies in the coming weeks. Ruby Class are first up – next Friday (7th May) they will be sharing their assembly with the school. We are continuing to do these virtually for the time-being – the completed video will also be shared with the Ruby Class parents. Topaz and Pearl Class will be performing their class assemblies in the following weeks. We are also excited to be taking part in Y5 & Y6 football tournaments over the next two weeks and looking forward to orchestra (Y5 pupils) starting up again on Wednesday 12th May. Our world is slowly starting to re-open!

Well-being Tip – Back to the future!

The world is slowly starting to re-open. Think about your future plans. What are the things you enjoy doing? Could you make a plan for outings/trips when they're possible? Who would you want to spend your time with? Could you share your thoughts with them and your children? Discussing this with your children reminds them that there is a future beyond COVID and promotes positivity.

'The best way to predict the future is to create it.'

Abraham Lincoln

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

Jim Dees

Summer Term 2021					
Date	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3 rd – 7 th May	May Day Bank Holiday	Y5 Girls' Football	Y6 Girls' Football		Ruby Class Assembly Y6 Boys' Football
10 th – 14 th May	Reception Writing Workshop 09:15 Y5 Boys' football SEND Parent Partnership 13:45 RMC Committee 18:00		Orchestra Start	Y6 Art Afternoon – West House	Topaz Class Assembly
17 th – 21 st May			Digital Creativity Festival Awards Ceremony Full GB 19:00	School Census Individual & Class Photos	Pearl Class Assembly Outdoor Classroom Day
24 th – 28 th May				Y6 Enterprise Day – FOWLS	Staff Inset Day
31 st May – 4 th June	Half Term				
Date	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7 th – 11 th June			New Reception Parents' Meeting 18:30		Y2 India Day
30 Days Wild Challenge	Y5 swimming (Amber & Emerald)	Y5 swimming (Amber & Emerald)	Y5 swimming (Amber & Emerald)	Y5 swimming (Amber & Emerald)	Y5 swimming (Amber & Emerald)
14 th – 18 th June		Year 5 ZooLab		FOWLS Fathers' Day Pop-up Shop	Turquoise Class Assembly
30 Days Wild Challenge	Y5 swimming (Amber & Emerald)	Y5 swimming (Amber & Emerald)	Y5 swimming (Amber & Emerald)	Y5 swimming (Amber & Emerald)	Y5 swimming (Amber & Emerald)
21 st – 25 th June				Y6 Camp	Maroon Class Assembly
30 Days Wild Challenge	Y5 swimming (Aquamarine)	Y5 swimming (Aquamarine)	Y5 swimming (Aquamarine)	Y5 swimming (Aquamarine)	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)	US Virtual Music Concert Y5 swimming (Aquamarine)	Lilac Class Assembly Y5 swimming (Aquamarine) Parents' Forum 13:45
5 th – 9 th July		US Sports Day	Class swap day Y6 Transition Day (Harrow Schools)	Y6 Transition Day (Watford Grammar/St Clement Danes) Y6 Choices workshop	Reception end of year Celebration Assembly Reports out
12 th – 16 th July		LS Sports Day	RM Committee 19:00 Q & S Committee 19:00	Parents' Eve 16:00 – 18:00	FOWLS Summer Fair
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