



West Lodge Primary School Weekly Bulletin

Respecting each other, learning creatively, challenging all.

15th January 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you are all well. It has been a busy week of remote learning and work at school. The children have coped so well and the level of engagement across the school has been excellent, we appreciate all your support with this.

Which homework task are you choosing as a family this weekend? Here is the link to the options once again.

[Creating Family Memories](#), please remember to share pictures or videos of what you have created, completed and taken part in on Seesaw or MS Teams. We hope you have lots of fun taking part in these!

The children have got stuck into their topics this term and have clearly been enjoying their learning. The images below show Roni's wonderful artwork – The Green Man; Mytharan's work on rocks and soils; Finn and Shruti sharing their scientific expertise via video; Jeremy and Mimi enjoying one of the PE videos created by Mr Nevins (who needs Joe Wicks) and Kavi enjoying a tea party at Mr Grumpy's house.



Thank you for your feedback via the different parents' surveys. The results can be seen in the weekly update presentation: see link [Weekly Update - 13th Jan 2021](#). I also talked this through at the weekly update session – the recording is here:

[Weekly Update Recording Passcode: *C6P5lu7](#). As a staff team we have discussed the feedback – one tweak we are going to implement straight away is to build some additional non-screen time into the weekly timetable. We will be introducing Mindful Monday: every Monday afternoon the tasks planned will involve the children completing activities that take them away from the screen; involve them being active or enable them to be outside.

I have written to the children today – the letter has been sent via ParentMail and it will be uploaded to Teams and Seesaw for the children to access directly, in their letter I sent the following video (created by Mr Parmar), which I will hope you enjoy watching. A reminder of a time when we could enjoy our school choirs [West Lodge Primary School Video](#), and hopefully a time we can enjoy again soon.

A reminder that you can book a rapid COVID test at one of Harrow's rapid test centres – please use the following link <https://www.harrow.gov.uk/test>. These tests are only to be used if you are asymptomatic. If you have symptoms please call 119 to book a test. We have now heard from the DfE that we will be receiving some rapid test kits for staff to use over the coming weeks – these will most likely start from the week beginning 25th January – we will be finding out more via scheduled webinars next week.

Well-being Tip of the Week

"Trees that are slow to grow bear the best fruit." — **Molière**, Playwright

Be patient – the fruits of our actions aren't always visible straight away – and sometimes our development can be slow – but this is because something wonderful is brewing!

Mrs Kinsella has pulled together 5 tips for well-being that we hope you find helpful to support your family during this period [West Lodge Well-being Tips!](#) Within the document there are links to various activities, resources and ideas.

Thank you for your continued support - Have a lovely weekend!

Jim Dees

