



West Lodge Primary School Weekly Bulletin

Respecting each other, learning creatively, challenging all.

Dear Parents/Carers,

13th November 2020

I hope you are all well. I must commend the Y6 pupils, staff and parents. It has been a challenging week for all, the children have responded incredibly well and have adapted really well to the remote learning. The staff have had worked very hard to set this up and establish routines to minimise disruption for the children. Thank you to all Y6 parents for your support during such a challenging week. The lunchtime team have continued to work hard this week to try and iron out the logistical challenges of providing hot lunches and all systems have run much more smoothly this week.

Updates to our Risk Assessment and Protective Measures

We have employed an additional cleaner in the middle of the day – this has helped to ensure a more thorough clean of key areas during the day. We are monitoring the CO2 levels in learning and office spaces and this has been useful to help identify the level of ventilation within each space – and adapt accordingly. We have also placed a thermometer in each classroom, so staff can monitor the temperature in each space. These combined measures help us to ensure that we keep the temperature at or above the recommended level, whilst still ensuring that all rooms are well-ventilated.

School Council

Our new school council members have been appointed, the children delivered some excellent speeches during the week. Their first task will be to organise our support for the Harrow Foodbank in the coming weeks. Congratulations to all the children who have been appointed.

Meet our Newly Appointed School Councillors

Year 1: Saakshi Sodha, Kedaar Nathwani, Wren Everton, Arjun Dhawar, Teo Silva Gallop, Fatima Nabil
Year 2: Asimina Tzanidaki, Ayansh Arus, Annika Kotecha, Moksh Fadia, Ida Owen, Yezen Albayati
Year 3: Arnav Dham, Rhea Parmar, Aanshi Agarwal, Pasha Nabavi, Claudia McGhee, Humza Khan
Year 4: Diyen Patel, Phoebe Wong, Ayngaran Muralitharan, Shruti Akella, Beth Witte, Abhinav Nalabanda
Year 5: Jay Sahukar, Mishika Vivekanandhan, Ayyan Miah, Kashvi Fadia, Summer Uddin, Thavindu De Silva
Year 6: Simeon Gentchev, Crystal Bird, Imran Merali, Diya Mandavia, Sameer Riyat, Zainab Maroof

Supporting the Harrow Foodbank

As mentioned in last week's bulletin we are launching a **series of collections for the Harrow Foodbank** – with the collection of **Advent Calendars this Monday (16th November)**. If you are able to, please support this initiative to support families who are struggling at this time. Collection points will be in the following areas: 1) Entrance to the main playground for Year 4, Year 5 and Kaleidoscope; 2) Next to the Reception green area for Reception and Year 1 and 3) At the back gate for Year 2 and Year 3. We will keep the collection points available throughout the week, if you are unable to donate on Monday.

Children in Need

The children have had an enjoyable week in the build up to Children in Need. Thank you, once again, for your generous support. We have not counted the full amount raised for Children in Need yet – we will share the total raised on Monday. I would like to highlight the following children who all raised over £50 through their own sponsored events. An excellent effort and a big well done to these children: Tyler Engineer – Aquamarine – £220; Zoya Dhalabhoy – Aquamarine £85; Molly Theakston – Blue £60; Amy Barrett – Maroon £80; Sakshi Sodhi – Pink £128; Ella Maru – Gold £100; Kedaar Nathwani – Pink £70; Roya Malliwal – Maroon £50; Ravi Lawrence – Yellow £90.

FOWLS

Despite the logistical challenges the FOWLS Scholastic Book Fair was a huge success raising £1005 – meeting the target set by the FOWLS team. This means the school will receive 60% of this amount in free books. Thank you to FOWLS and all parents who helped out with the organisation of the event. Thank you also for your support with the Bags2School initiative with a total of 420kg of clothes collected. We are all looking forward to the Light Festival on Friday.

Upcoming Events/Dates

We have two parents' forum sessions scheduled for the coming weeks. This **Tuesday (17th November)** we will be holding a session which will give an **overview of SEND provision at the school with a focus on three aspects**: 1) **Understanding the role of the Pastoral Lead** led by Mrs Kinsella; 2) **Understanding Kaleidoscope** led by Mr Rose; 3) **A chance to meet the SEND Parent Partnership and to understand the role they play** – led by the SEND Parent Partnership. There will opportunities for questions during the session. This session will be on Zoom between 1:45 and 2:45pm – a link will be sent on Monday. The session will be recorded. We have a second session on **Tuesday 1st December** – this will be a chance to hear from our **Speech and Language Therapist** and **Harrow Advisory Teacher for Autism** (More details to follow). This **Wednesday's Weekly Update** will **focus on the recent parents' survey** – I will talk through the responses and there will be time for questions and answers.

Have a lovely weekend!

Jim Dees

