

WEST ASHTON



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Newsletter

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Message from Mrs Huxham

This is the last full week of the year and there is plenty going on in school. The whole school are embarking on a big arts project and this will be available for you to see on Friday at 2.30pm in the hall.

Don't forget it is our Friday Fun Evening at 5pm this Friday and we look forward to seeing as many of you there as possible.

Thank you very much to Mrs Ponsford who took a group of children from Discoverers class, to sing for the local residents of west Ashton at their monthly coffee morning. The children and residents enjoyed it immensely. We will certainly be doing this again.

Results

I would just like to say how proud I am with the results we achieved in the SATs this year. It is the first time in a few years that we have had a full complement of results, which is due to our increasing numbers in the school.

In reception 80% of children achieved a GLD (good Level of Development).

In year one 91% of children passed their phonics screening test.

In KS1 91% of children reached expected in reading, writing and maths.

In KS2 57% of the children achieved expected in reading

86% of children achieved expected in writing and maths

71% of children achieved expected in SPaG

This is an amazing set of results and the children deserve it as they have all worked so hard. It is the combined effort of all the staff and I would like to extend my gratitude to them all.

Reports

By now you should have received your child's report, this is just a reminder that this is your end of year report, so there will be no parents evening this term. If you wish to discuss the report please see your child's teacher.

Meet the teacher

In September we will be having a meet the teacher session, which will be a chance for you to introduce yourself and understand what happens in that year group

Residential

A HUGE THANK YOU to Mrs Blake-Thwaite and Miss Davis for taking yr5 and 6 for their residential trip to the Forest of Dean. They clearly had a wonderful time.

What a wonderful week for a residential. Here are some of the thoughts from the children who went:

We had so much fun! There were lots of activities that kept us busy from breakfast to bedtime. We went tree climbing, crate stacking, played games and even had a water fight. The rooms were very tidy because we had a room inspection test and the Year 5 girls won almost every day. The food was nice and we had lots of pudding. I would definitely go again.

Lacey

It was fun! We found baby ducks near our rooms.

Alexa

It was fun. We were challenging ourselves by trying new things. Most of all, I enjoyed the water fight because we could soak anyone we wanted to and it was a hot day!

Kinga

We did loads of fun activities. I liked tree climbing because we could go high up. I thought it would be scary but it wasn't as I knew I was harnessed on so I couldn't go anywhere if I fell off. I also liked crate stack because you could be stood high up on a pile of crates which would eventually go 'timber!' Going down the mud slide was great fun too.

Finley

Even though we were outside in the sun all day, I enjoyed it. It was hot at times! But I loved it. I loved the water fight, because we all got soaked. I also loved body zorbing where I completely smashed everyone and even stood on my head in it!

Phoenix

I liked the fact that I persevered on activities especially when I climbed a tree. It was really tall and I was nervous. I could feel my hands shaking when I was near the top but the activity leaders were always encouraging me and telling me I was going to go up!

Amelia



Sports Day

Congratulations to Oak House for winning the cup for sports day. The weather was great, the sportsmanship was lovely to see and I am sure you will agree with me we all had a fantastic day. Thank you to Mrs Bristowe for organising the day and to FOWAS for serving pastries and coffee beforehand.



Uniform

It has come to our attention that the school uniform has lapsed again recently. Can we remind you that children should have only one set of stud earrings in school. We also would like to advise you that hair extensions are not permitted and hair bands if worn should be small and plain.

Attendance

Attendance is becoming a big issue at school, we advise all parents to try not take children out of school in term time. We also advise that if your child comes into school after 8.50am they are marked as late on the register and this also will affect your child's attendance.

As of September any child who has taken off more than 5 days unauthorised in 6 months, a notice will be sent to Wiltshire Council and this will incur a fine which will be from the council.

PARKING

We are continuing to receive many complaints about the parking along Bratton road, at drop off and collection times. We have been informed by the police that they are now receiving complaints themselves and therefore they have asked the **community enforcement officer to make random checks on the parking**. They will be issuing parking fines for anyone who is **illegally parking up to £100 and 3 points (this includes parking on the curbs and yellow zig zag lines)**. We have also been asked as a school to take photos and send them across to the PCSO.

Last week we occurred damage to a vehicle due to parking on the yellow lines. We do not agree with anyone taking the law into their own hands and committing criminal damage.

Key Dates:

- 19th July – FOWAS Family Fun Evening
- 24th July – YR6 Leavers Service – Church
- 25th July – TD Day
- 26th July – Summer Holidays
- 3rd September – Return to school
- 4th September – Meet the teacher of Voyagers
- 5th September – Meet the teacher of discoverers
- 6th September – Meet the teacher of Explorers
- 10th September – Meet the teacher of Shooting Stars

