



West Wycombe Combined School

Newsletter

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“Nurturing Potential, Inspiring Minds, Excellence for All”

Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents & Carers,

I am really pleased to report the excellent progress both SLT and I are seeing when looking at the children's books recently. The children are being taught specific subjects in more depth with the new approach to the curriculum and the children have been reporting their enjoyment when learning their new topics.

On a more practical note, we are rapidly approaching the colder months so please ensure the children come to school with coats from now on so they can enjoy their play time in all weathers.

In the next few weeks, we are holding a sponsored read, which we will be sharing details of with the children next week. Keep your eye out for a letter with more details soon!

We have our Open Days booked for 1st November and 15th November at 10am. Please share these dates with anyone who may be interested in applying for next year.

On another note, we have had an email from a resident in the village, who is complaining about the children cycling on the pavement on their way to and from school. They have asked that children and parents dismount their bikes when travelling through the village on the pavements at these times, as they feel it is dangerous for residents coming out of their homes.

Finally, as you may be aware, I will not be in school next week so Mrs Sutton will be deputising for me in my absence. I hope to be available the following week.

Best wishes,
Ms A Preston
Headteacher



Head Lice

Parents are reporting a number of cases of head lice in school. Please can parents check their children's hair and treat them urgently, if head lice are found.

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/>

Facebook

Remember to join us on Facebook at:

<https://www.facebook.com/WestWycombeCombinedSchool/>



Green Tokens - Waitrose

Thank you to for your support with the Green Token scheme at Waitrose. We have raised £263 as a result of this support. We plan to use the money to repaint some of the playground games on the bottom playground.

Many thanks to Waitrose in High Wycombe for including us in the scheme.



After School Club

Little Flyers after school club is contactable at:

admin@littleflyerstokenchurch.co.uk

PTA News

We are thrilled to announce our new Co-Chairs of the PTA: Kelly Hurst and Barbara Pope. Thank you for offering your time to fulfil this role. Thank you so much also to Claire Woolams for her hard work and dedication as Chair of the PTA for the last two years. Our new Chairs are already working hard on a new schedule of events for the year, with our first one being a Halloween Disco!

Friday 19th October - Halloween Disco

EYFS & KS1:

3.30 - 4.45pm Children can come to the disco straight from the end of the school day. Please provide a change of clothes in a **named** carrier bag if your child/ren wishes to change into something special for the disco, this can be Halloween fancy dress. Please indicate on the reply slip below who will be picking up your child/ren from the disco and provide us with a contact number.

KS2:

5.30-7pm Please bring your child/ren to the school hall for the start of the disco at 5.30. Please also indicate on the reply slip below who will be picking your child/ren up from the disco and provide us with a contact number.

Please send reply slips (from the letter sent out) and money to the school office by Wed 17th October.



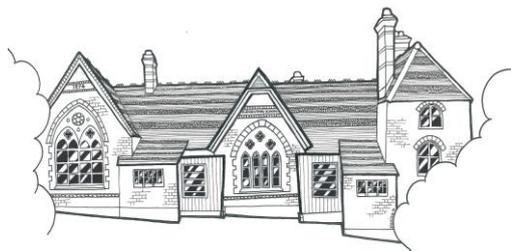
Building Works

We have recently been in discussion with Bucks County Council regarding some of the repairs that need to take place in the Victorian building. One important project we have been focusing on has been the front porches of the building, which need to be replaced.

Bucks County Council are currently submitting planning orders to the conservation team officers to have this approved, so we hope this will be completed over the next six months or so.

We are looking to design a more modern style of porches but something that ideally will be sympathetic to the original features, that we are so lucky to have.

Stage one of this process is to remove the porch on the right-hand side (when looking at the building) which is in the poorest condition. We are expecting this to be removed over the next few weeks. This may look a little odd for a while but we feel it is important as the winter conditions, which are on the way, are likely to make the structures insecure. Once everything is approved, there may be some disruption whilst the new structures are installed but we hope that, over the next six months, the new porches will be in place.



Medical Forms

Thank you to the parents of children with medical conditions who have sent back their medical forms. It is really important that we have up to date information on the medical conditions and any relevant medication, in date, for the children, so we can treat them effectively, as needed.



Parking

Thank you to the huge majority of parents who follow the policy for drop off and collection arrangements, by parking in the garden centre. Despite numerous reminders, there continues to be a very small number of parents (without prior permission) who do not follow the whole-school policy when dropping off their children in the morning.

This is a serious concern. We have recorded the number plates and the details of those individuals and they will be shared with to the local police.



Attendance

Reception-95.6 %

Year 1- 92.6 %

Year 2- 96.6 % 🌟🌟

Year 3- 96.2 % 🌟🌟

Year 4 - 94.4 %

Year 5 - 96.0 % 🌟🌟

Year 6 - 96.0 % 🌟🌟



every day counts

ATTEND TODAY -
ACHIEVE TOMORROW!

Dates for your diary

10 th October	9am - Early Years Stay & Play for parents
w/c 15 th Oct	Sponsored read begins
16 th October	3.30-7.30pm - Parents' Evening
17 th October	Y3 class assembly 3.30-5.30pm - Parents Evening
19th October	3.15 - Half Term Halloween disco: 3.30-4.45pm - EY & KS1 5.30-7pm - KS2
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29th October	INSET day
30 th October	Children return to school
1 st November	10am - Open day
6 th November	2.30pm - Phonics workshop for parents
15 th November	10am - Open day
22 nd November	6pm-Bedtime stories (Rec & Y1)



Academic Dates 2018/19

Autumn Term 2018

Thursday 6 September - Friday 19 October 2018

Tuesday 30 October - Wednesday 19 December 2018

Spring Term 2019

Thursday 3 January - Friday 15 February 2019

Monday 25 February - Friday 5 April 2019

Summer Term 2019

Wednesday 24 April - Friday 24 May 2019

Tuesday 4 June - Wednesday 24 July 2019

Inset days 2018-19:

Wednesday 5th September

Monday 29th October

Wednesday 2nd January

Tuesday 23rd April

Monday 3rd June