



West Green Primary School Newsletter

CURRENT ISSUES IN THE MEDIA – KEEPING CHILDREN AND FAMILIES SAFE

With regard to recent news events, we would advise that you remind your children of the importance of washing their hands on a regular basis. It is a good idea to get them into the routine of washing their hands as soon as they get home. This will eliminate any bugs they could have picked up in the outside world, and will instantly stop germs spreading inside your home. Please continue to teach them to cough or sneeze into a tissue when necessary, and to then place the used tissue straight into a bin. These are simple procedures which will help protect your children from all bugs, not just the ones currently being highlighted in the media. Soap and water is the most effective form of killing germs and so easily accessible that none of us have an excuse not to use it. If you or your child are out and about and do not have access to soap and water, then hopefully you will have some hand sanitiser available (if the shops still have some in stock!).

If you have any concerns at all about the health of your child following the recent news stories then please dial 111 and they will be able to give you the correct medical advice. Please be assured that we are following the advice provided by Public Health England so that we continue to keep your children safe in school.

SATS

SATS week for Year 6 is the week commencing 11th May 2020. It is so important that your child attends school during this time. If your child is not feeling 100%, but can make it to school just for the morning to complete their SATS then this really would benefit them in the long run (obviously bouts of vomiting/diarrhoea are different and the usual rules apply). Please try to support your child as best you can during this week. Many thanks.

AUSTRALIA

Thank you to everyone who donated money to help raise funds to assist in the aftermath of the bush fires in Australia. We managed to raise the sum of £278.09 (\$526.81 Australian dollars). We were even treated to a performance by local band Lemon & Paice (with our very own Mr Hodgson on bass). Lemon & Paice also held their own fund raising evening for this good cause.

WORLD BOOK DAY AND SPONSORED READING EVENT

We celebrated World Book Day on Thursday, 5th March 2020, and it was lovely to see the children make such an effort. The staff did their bit as well, so well done everyone.

We also held a sponsored Reading Event, which raised just over £380. The sponsorship money raised will go towards purchasing new books for our school. Well done to everyone who found the time to take part. Those who took part will all get a prize!



YOUNG VOICES

A huge well done to all the children who performed magnificently at the Young Voices concert held at the O2 on the 5th February. This is a nationwide event that is very popular, as a result there were a stadium full of children singing at the concert on the day West Green Primary were there. Not only were the performances from West Green Primary children magnificent, their mature attitude was outstanding and they were a real credit to the school. The children should be very proud of what they have achieved.

A special thank you to Miss Bailey who sadly left before the concert so was unable to attend, but who organised the event and rehearsed the songs with the choir, and a big thank you to Mrs Whitlock, Miss Ruse and Mrs Riadat who took control of the reigns and ensured a seamless transition for the children.



POPPY APPEAL

Towards the end of last year some children were selling poppies and other items for the poppy appeal. They managed to raise £66.85 for the Royal British Legion, who we know appreciate all monies raised on their behalf.

MOBILE PHONES

Please can you remind your child that if they bring a mobile phone to school with them, they must **not** use the phone whilst on the school premises. All phones must be turned off when your child has arrived at school, and handed to their class teacher. All phones will be returned at the end of the school day.

CLOSE OF REGISTERS AND REPORTING ILLNESS

We all find that despite our best efforts, there never seems to be enough time in the morning to get everything done. The classroom doors open at 8:45a.m. and registration is at 8:55a.m. When pupils are late this affects their overall attendance mark.

Also, please let the school know as soon as possible if your child is not attending school due to illness. If you fail to do so your child's absence will be marked in the Register as unauthorised.

PARENT EVENINGS

You will be receiving your child's Mid-Year Report on Friday 13th March 2020. Any questions you have regarding your child's report can be discussed during parents evening.

The parent evening meetings are scheduled for:

- Tuesday, 17th March 2020
- Thursday, 19th March 2020

Appointments will last a maximum of 10 minutes and will take place in your child's classroom. Appointment sign-up sheets are by the school office.

BIRTHDAYS

We love birthdays, and we love celebrating them even more! If you provide sweets for a class in order to celebrate your child's birthday, we would ask that you ensure they are nut free and, if possible, vegetarian. This will mean all of your child's classmates can celebrate their birthday with them. Thank you.

ASTHMA INHALERS/AUTO INJECTORS

If we hold an asthma inhaler or auto injector for your child, please be assured that we hold one in the classroom, and one in our medical room. When that item is out of date we will contact you and ask you to provide us ones that are in date. **Please make sure that you provide us in date items as a matter of priority. It is for your child's safety and must be acted upon immediately.**

Dates to end of Summer term 2020

13 th March 2020	Sport Relief event – children to come to school in sportswear
13 th March 2020	School reports sent home
17 th March 2020	Parents evening 15:30-18:00
17 th March 2020	Year 3 assembly
19 th March 2020	Parents evening 16:30-19:00
19 th March 2020	Happy bag collection
20 th March 2020	Cornet assembly (Year 3 showing what they have learnt this term)
24 th March 2020	Year 4 trip to Bignor Roman Villa
27 th March 2020	Last day for all after school clubs
6 th -17 th April 2020	EASTER HOLIDAY
20 th April 2020	Back to school – start of Summer term
8 th May 2020	Early May Bank Holiday (Friday) – SCHOOL CLOSED
May 2020	Year 2 SATS during this month
w/c 11 th May	Year 6 SATS
15 th May 2020	Year 4 to Crawley STEM
25 th -29 th May 2020	HALF TERM
9 th June 2020	Reception New Parents meeting 18:00
10 th June 2020	Year 6 trip to Thorpe Park
19 th June 2020	Summer Fair 15:15-17:15
29 th June 2020	Sports Day (weather permitting) Reception/KS1: 09:30-10:30 KS2: 13:30-15:00
2 nd July 2020	Year 6 trip to BIG BANG STEMFest Ardingly
6 th July 2020	Reserve sports day
6 th July 2020	Year 6 production 15:15
7 th July 2020	Year 6 production 18:00
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17 th July 2020	Leavers assembly
17 th July 2020	LAST DAY OF TERM