

Westoning Lower School News

8th November 2019

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THIS WEEK AT WLS ...

Dear Parent/Carer

We are pleased to announce that we have new School Ambassadors this year. We have decided to amalgamate the School Council and Eco Councils together. The children heard about the role of the School Ambassador in a special assembly and were invited to apply for a place. They were then selected for an interview and the Ambassadors are Agnes, Ali, Ella, Elliott, Frankie, Poppy, Sean and Tahlia. They have already worked together to plan our Children In Need activities and we look forward to their contribution to the development of our School.

Mrs Jacqui Boyle (Head Teacher)

CHRISTMAS CARDS

Children have brought home proof copies of their Christmas Card designs this week. Orders should be placed online using the unique reference code provided on the leaflet. Please remember that all orders must be placed by 17th November, after which it will be too late to place any further orders. Please check the details carefully as it is the parents responsibility to make any name/class changes.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Westoning Church will be holding a Remembrance Sunday Service at the Church at 10.00am or at 11.00am at the Monument. All welcome.

PRET-A-PORTRAIT

Pret-a-Portrait will be in school on 12th November to take individual and sibling photographs. All children will have their photograph taken alone and with any of their school aged siblings (including Stars Class) during the school day. If you would like your child's photograph taken with other children who do not attend WLS please log onto Parent Mail to make a booking. This will show as Parent Consultations but is in fact for photographs.

CHILDREN IN NEED - FRIDAY 15th NOVEMBER

On Friday children should wear something bright to school, throughout the day we will be:
Holding a Cake Sale at Morning Break - Donations of Cakes would be greatly appreciated
Taking part in a Joe Wicks Workout - Children will need trainers in school
Having a Design a New Pudsey Colouring Competition (this will be judged by the Art Ambassadors at Lunchtime)
Please make a donation via Parent Mail towards this worthwhile cause.

SHOE BOX APPEAL

Representatives from Westoning Church will collect filled Shoe Boxes on Friday 15th November. If you have a box please send it into school by Wednesday 13th November. Unfortunately, boxes cannot be accepted after this date. We have spare empty boxes in the School Office if you would like one.

BOOK FAIR

We will be holding a Book Fair after School between Thursday 21st November and Tuesday 26th November. Please come along and support the Book Fair. The School will receive free books depending on the commission made from sales.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

12/11/19	Individual School Photos
13/11/19	Odd Sock Day
13/11/19	Diamond Day
15/11/19	Children In Need
21/11 - 26.11.19	Travelling Book Fair
22/11/19	Flu Vaccinations
03/12/19	Open Afternoon
05/12/19	Movie with Santa (PTA Event)
11/12/19	Saturn Class Nativity Play
16/12/19	Carol Service (Church)
20/12/19	End of Term

KEY

- Parent/Child Event
- Information Purposes Only



Please remember we are a 'NO NUT' School. There has been an increase in products containing nuts in school.

Please check chocolate spread and cereal bars to make sure they do not contain nuts.

THIS WEEK'S ATTACHMENT

Week 3 Dinner Menu



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OFFICE TEAM AVAILABILITY

There will be somebody in the office every day to answer any queries you may have between 8.30am - 3.45pm.

GOVERNOR SURGERY

The Governors hold a drop in Surgery every Tuesday morning from 9am-10am.

This Month's Value is Respect ...

Respect is at the core of everything we do in school. It underpins learning through behaviour and our attitudes to the people and the world around us.

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Benjamin E. Mays

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STARS

Stars Class have been talking about Bonfire Night this week. On Monday we decorated firework biscuits and made some firework pictures. We have been learning about shape and used shapes to make a rocket. We have watched a firework display on our big screen in class and selected instrument to add our own firework sounds. At the end of the week we have started to look at autumn, and have been exploring lots of different types and colours of leaves.

SATURN CLASS

Saturn class have been talking about Bonfire Night this week. We have enjoyed a story called 'The Fizz Buzz' and talked about different types and colours of fireworks. In our literacy lessons this week we have been practising writing simple words on our own! In maths we have focused on number recognition and ordering. In our music and movement lesson we listen and danced to a fireworks podcast, and explored moving like fireworks making different shapes and patterns. During our ICT lesson we used the laptops to make some lovely Bonfire Night pictures.



JUPITER CLASS

This week we have been busy designing our own useful truck, we have written labels, captions and sentences for our truck. In maths we have started subtraction and we are very good at it. We have learnt how to subtract using numicon, crossing out pictures and number lines. In Art we used white and black paint to create different shades and tones of colour. In geography we learnt about England and we designed our own crowns.



MARS CLASS

This week the children had a real treat when Teaching Talons, an animal company came to see the children as part of his birthday. They saw a bearded dragon, a toad a cute hedgehog and a very clever dog called Chip, just to name a few! They have also continued to find out about Henri Matisse and recreated one of his 'painting with scissors' pieces of work.

VENUS CLASS

This week in Venus Class, the children have been concentrating on the use of repetition, rhyme, rhythm and alliteration in poetry. They have become more proficient carrying out subtraction in mathematics. They have looked at the different compositions of soil and investigated which soils are good for drainage and/or retaining water in science.

MERCURY CLASS

We have started working on Perimeter in Maths and have impressed Mrs Dean with how hard we have been working! We started a new class story called 'Charlie Changes into a Chicken' and found it extremely funny! We used the laptops to work on a program called 2simple French where we had the chance to revise the French we have learnt so far. We have also started a new Science topic, 'Animals including Humans' and we are looking forward to some fun investigations and experiments over the term.

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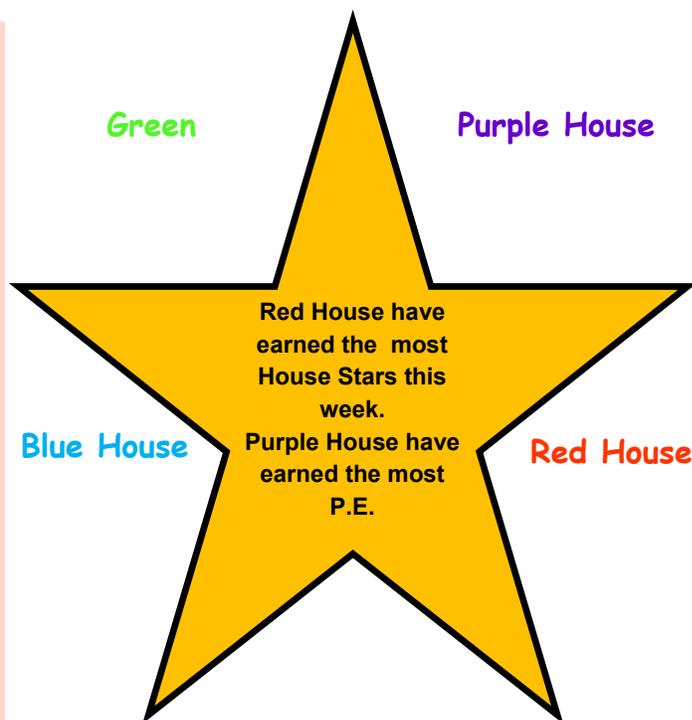
WLS CELEBRATES SUCCESS

Our Attendance Target is 96.5%. Please help us to achieve this by ensuring your child is in school everyday.

Attendance for this week:

Saturn Class:	97.45%
Jupiter Class:	94.19%
Mars Class:	97.59%
Venus Class:	94.05%
Mercury Class:	97.46%
Whole School:	96.14%

Well done Mars Class for the highest attendance this week!



GOLD AWARD

Children placed in the Gold Award Book by their teacher will receive a Gold Award Certificate and sticker in Friday's Celebration Assembly. Well done to all the children who are included in the book for this week.

Monday 4th November - Friday 8th November

CLASS	NAME	AWARDED FOR
SATURN	Louis	always being keen and ready to learn.
SATURN	Amelie	great work on number recognition and ordering
JUPITER	Olly	showing great team work when creating a truck
JUPITER	Oliver	showing great team work when creating a truck
MARS	Abbie	looking carefully at work by Matisse before doing their own
MARS	Caleb	looking carefully at work by Matisse before doing their own
VENUS	Charlie	being keen to read as much as possible
VENUS	Kasen	working really hard in mathematics
MERCURY	Stan	excellent work on perimeter
MERCURY	Amelia	excellent attitude towards all subjects