



West Ham Church School

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Key Stage 1
Weekly News Page
Summer 1, Week 2
30th April 2021



Reminder: School Closures

School is *closed* on Monday 3rd May because it is a Bank Holiday.

The children should come to school as normal on Tuesday and Wednesday. School is *open* on these days.

School is *closed* to pupils on Thursday 6th May because it is being used as a polling station.

On Friday, school will be open and the children should come to school as normal.



Year 2:

Squirrels Class ~ Mr. Dickey
Phase Leader

Hedgehogs Class ~ Miss Gilliland

Year 1:

Dragonflies Class ~ Miss Upson

Ladybirds Class ~ Mrs. Baleka

Teaching Assistants

Ms Palmer

Ms Adu-Gyamfi

Ms Nesbit

Ms Chowdhury

Ms Costello

Lunches

We hope that the children are enjoying our exciting new lunch menu! We have just finished Week 2.

Please speak to the office if you need a paper copy of the menu.



Country of the Week - Egypt



Last week's 'Country of the Week' entries were fantastic - it was great to read so much information about Australia. The new country of the week is **Egypt**. Children should find out information about Egypt and present it in a really creative and engaging way. There will be time to present their work towards the end of the week. The class who researches the most wins!

Design and Technology Day

As the school is closed to pupils for polling day on Thursday 6th May, we wanted to give children the opportunity to use this time for a design and technology project.

Linking to our topic of Brazil, we will be providing children with resources to create some items for a class carnival later in the term. We will send home materials for children to create their very own carnival hat or mask. Using junk or materials from home, we would like them to be creative and add colour to their hats or masks. These carnival hats and masks will also be displayed in our classrooms.

Below are some examples of carnival masks and hats. We are very excited to see your work and we will send home a planning sheet to help children with their design process.





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Maths Year 1

This week, we have continued to learn about place value of numbers. Your child also needs to understand that numbers can be made up of other numbers. So three can be made of three ones, or a two and a one. Once they reach the teen numbers, we need to show that these are numbers made from one ten, plus several ones. For example, fifteen is made of one ten and five ones. You could count or draw pictures to help with this.

Maths Year 2

This week, we have continued to explore our fraction unit with an focus on understanding the whole. For example, if a sandwich has been sliced into quarters, three quarters and one quarter combined make a whole. We suggest, to continue to question your child with problem solving questions. For example, *a cake has been split into four equal parts. One slice is bought by a customer and two slices from another, how much of the cake has been purchased and how much does the owner have left?*

WOW Word of the Week

mighty

Definition: Mighty means extremely strong (as in a mighty warrior) or powerful (as in a mighty king)

Example: The mighty dragon flew over the castle.

Remember: Make sure you understand the meaning of this word and use it in your writing

Year 1 Spellings

1. very
2. happy
3. funny
4. party
5. family
6. dizzy
7. smelly
8. silly
9. jolly
10. sunny

Forest School

Children are really enjoying being outdoors at West Ham Church School. They have been working on identifying the differences between seeds and bulbs this week. We have planted some and will enjoy observing them grow throughout the summer term. The children have been keen to water them and are excited to see them grow.



Year 2 Spellings

1. badly
2. hopeless
3. penniless
4. happily
5. lovely
6. joyless
7. slowly
8. quickly
9. careless
10. fearless

May Day

May Day is an ancient Pagan festival to celebrate the spring time. The earliest May celebrations date back all the way to Roman times when they celebrated Floralia and the goddess Flora. What do you think Flora was the goddess of?

In 1978, 43 years ago, people protested saying you shouldn't have to work more than 8 hours and May Day became a *bank holiday* and a day off from work.



Did you know...?

Parent Consultations

Please ensure that you have booked an appointment with your child's teacher to discuss your child's progress.

Reminder!



This week's Top Ten

1. Levon
2. Adeil
3. Jude
4. Emmanuel
5. Robert
6. Tomas
7. Elizabeth
8. Paulinka
9. Jadon
10. Isabelle

Celebrations!

Congratulations on another successful week of learning.

On this page, we would like to celebrate the children's achievements in school, so parents please do let us know if you are particularly pleased with something your child has achieved at home, we would like to recognise:

- ❖ Good behaviour
- ❖ Excellent attitude to learning
- ❖ Progress
- ❖ High quality work
- ❖ Awards



This week the award goes to
Jaquelyn
 (Squirrels)

For being helpful to her peers



Special mention to
Elizabeth (Dragonflies)
Sophie (Ladybirds)
Mustacnah (Hedgehogs)



We have been learning all about carnivals in Brazil. Hedgehogs worked together to share their ideas and thoughts all about carnival costumes. Great teamwork!

Children's work



In KS1 we have been designing our very own carnival outfits in preparation for our class carnivals. Children have enjoyed experimenting with the different colours.



Children in Dragonflies enjoyed role playing the story of George and the Dragon this week using their handmade puppets.