



West Ham Church School

With God all things are possible

Key Stage 1

Weekly News Page
Autumn 1, Week 6
8th October 2021



Wonder, Harmony, Compassion, Strength

School Vision

Our vision is to enable children, with God's guidance, to know and appreciate the **wonder** of God's creation, to live in **harmony** embracing differences, to always act with **compassion** inspired by the example of Jesus, and to have the **strength** to follow their dreams and achieve their goals.

Prayer Space

A Thanksgiving Prayer at Harvest

Thanks, Lord, for creation and the world we're living in,
Thank you for the birds and the joyful songs they sing,
Thank you for the flowers and the colours that they bring,
And thanks for friends and family, for the home we're living in.

Thank you that you love me, and you meet my needs with care,
Thank you for the food I eat, the clothes I have to wear,
But Lord we know of many who do not have as much,
We ask that you would meet their needs,
That they would have enough.

Amen.

Key Stage 1 Staff

Year 2:

Squirrels Class ~ Mr. Dickey
Phase Leader

Hedgehogs Class ~ Mrs. Jordan

Year 1:

Dragonflies Class ~ Miss Upson

Butterflies Class ~ Mrs. Baleka

Teaching Assistants

Mrs Adu-Gyamfi, Ms Nesbitt,
Mrs Chowdhury and Mrs Dosti

Whilst we are available for any quick questions about your child at the end of the school day, please be mindful that we need to dismiss all the children safely. Please contact the school office if you have a question that requires more of our time.

Value

Our school value this term is
generosity

Harvest Festival

Thank you for all of your generous donations for our harvest festival. They will be gratefully received by Caritas Anchor House.



Collective Worship

Year 5 pupils have been appointed as Worship leaders, they will be supporting Ms Qureshi and Miss Holroyde in worship every Thursday, telling stories and leading reflection.

This week, we attended All Saints Church for our Harvest Festival. It was a wonderful celebration full of singing, dancing and being thankful.





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National Poetry Day

Thursday 7th October was National Poetry Day. The classes in KS1 performed a verse from the poem 'What Can You Do With A Football'. They thought of actions and shared their poem in worship.

INSET Day

Please note that school is closed to pupils on **Friday 15th October** due to staff training.

Clubs

We have new clubs running this term after school:

Monday

- Multi sports

Tuesday

- Explorers

Wednesday

- Gardening

Thursday

- Sewing



If you would like your child to attend a club, please call Mrs. Adam in the school office.

Reminder

Children should bring a red book bag, a water bottle and a waterproof coat to school every day. Please note that rucksacks are not permitted in school.

Quote of the Week

"Education is the most powerful weapon you can use to change the world."
— BB King

Science Ambassadors

Your class needs you!

Next week, each class will appoint one Science Ambassador. If you think this could be you, keep reading!

To apply, use the special application form on Google Classroom. If you want to be more creative, you could create a poster to go alongside the application form!

Deadline: 14/10/21



- What do you like about science?
- Why is science important?
- Which scientist do you admire the most?
- Give 3 reasons why you would be a good science ambassador for your class



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English

This week we have been continuing to focus on settings. We will be describing the Elysian Fields next week and creating a postcard written in the role of Fangio.

Maths

We will have our first 'rock battle' between Squirrels and Hedgehogs this week on Times Tables Rockstars! Results will be revealed next week!

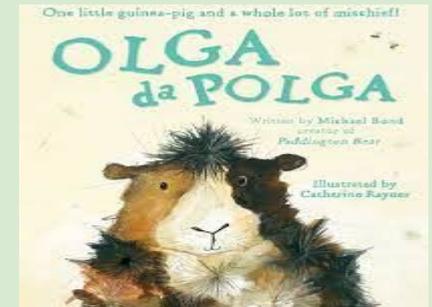
Year 2 children need to know their 2, 5 and 10 times tables by the end of this year. Please help encourage children to learn them by heart. All children have been sent their login details to Rockstars!

Curriculum

As part of our history topic, 'Childhood', the children have enjoyed exploring their family trees. Please do talk to children about their family history and share conversations about older relatives.

Focus Text

We are reading 'Olga da Polga' by Michael Bond.



Word of the Week:

fauna

Challenge Questions:

1. Why did Olga escape?
2. Do you think Olga is glad she left?
3. What do you think might happen to Olga?

Year 1 Spellings

coat
goat
soap
load
moon
book
look

Year 2 Spellings

gem
giant
magic
energy
jar
jog
join
adjust
jacket

Homework

English

1. Practise this week's spellings.
2. Read Big Cat book and library book.
3. Complete the activity in your homework books.

Maths:

Complete the worksheet provided which reinforces addition and subtraction.

Projects and Investigations: National Poetry Day

This week we celebrated National Poetry Day. The children rehearsed a poem as a class, and performed it to the school.

Improved speaking and listening skills have a huge impact on children's reading and writing, so we would love the children to keep reading, practising, and performing poetry - if your child can learn a poem at home, they will be able to perform it to their class next week. This can be something they have written themselves, or a poem written by someone else - a poet, or even a family member!

We can't wait to hear your amazing poems!



This week's Top Ten

1. Egehan
2. Mohammad Ibrahim
3. Ismail
4. Elze
5. Shanzay
6. Bekir
7. Luqman
8. Maxim
9. Faiza
10. Zain

On this page, we would like to celebrate the children's achievements in and out of school. 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:

Marwa

for always contributing to lessons effectively.



Squirrels: Faatima has been making lots of progress in all her learning.

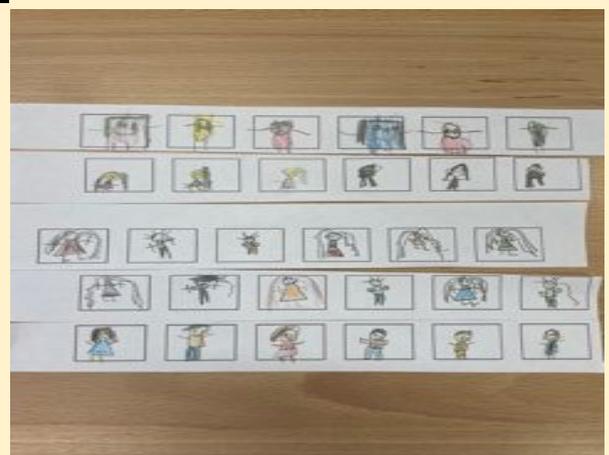
Hedgehogs: Sophie has been improving lots in phonics this week.

Butterflies: Isobel has been very creative during RE lessons.

Our Work!



This week the children in Year 1 have been busy learning about the Christian creation story. They were able to sequence the events.



In KS1 we have been creating our own personal family trees. We have drawn pictures of our family members and discussed them.