



# West Ham Church School

*With God all things are possible*

## Key Stage 1

Weekly News Page  
Autumn 2, Week 1  
5th November 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 prayer from the team at All Saints Church*

Thank you that you are the God of compassion, who loves and cares for all people.

Help us to look out for, and meet the needs of, those around us this week.



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  
*joy*

### Collective Worship

This week in collective worship, Simon and the team from All Saints Church spoke to us about the importance of compassion. We discussed what it means and how we can show it.

Ms Qureshi and the RE Ambassadors shared the significance of Diwali and how the festival is celebrated.

Every week, on Friday, we take the opportunity to celebrate the **wonder** of our children's learning. This week we came together as a school to share the achievements of the week and to hear about the amazing work from the children who received our Star of the Week and Headteacher's Awards.



Happy Diwali to anyone in our school community who celebrated Diwali this week.

### Diwali Day

The children have really enjoyed finding out about Diwali and how people celebrate it, as well as the reasons why it is celebrated.

In KS1, we decided to celebrate the Festival of Lights by creating our very own Diwali lanterns. Children had the opportunity to design, create and evaluate their lanterns.



### Clubs

We have new clubs running this term after school:

#### Monday

- Multi sports

#### Tuesday

- Explorers

#### Wednesday

- Gardening

#### Thursday

- Sewing
- Ballet (taught by Primrose School of Dance)

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



### School Equipment

Please ensure that your child has a **red school book bag**. We are unable to accommodate larger bags, including rucksacks, in the classroom.

Your child should also bring a **water bottle** and a **waterproof coat** to school every day.

### Science Day - 10/11/21

Next week we will be celebrating a Science Day in school. The children will be learning all about the environment and the importance of the ongoing COP26 climate change conference in Glasgow. At

West Ham Church School we encourage the children to take their responsibility towards the environment very seriously, linking this to our school values of Wonder, Harmony, Compassion and Strength. On Science Day, the children will take part in COP26 themed activities in school, including an assembly lead by the school's Science Ambassadors.





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## Key Stage 1 Curriculum Information



### English

This week, we have begun our new book, *Amazing Grace*. The children have made some excellent contributions to discussions about the book. We have started to understand Grace's character and have created detailed character descriptions.

### Maths

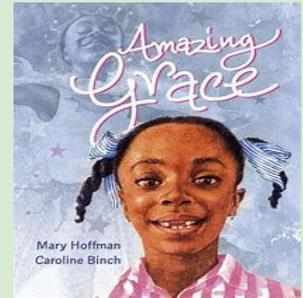
Children in KS1 have been continuing to develop their addition and subtraction skills in maths. We have learned numerous strategies for addition and subtraction. Ask your child to explain the way they like to add and subtract the best.

### RE

This term, we have started a brand new RE topic called 'What are special books?' Children will have the opportunity to look at books from a number of faiths and discuss why these books are important to them. The children will also be creating a special book of their own, outlining their own personal values.

### Focus Text

We are reading, '*Amazing Grace*' by Mary Hoffman and Caroline Binch.



**Word of the Week:**  
audition

### **Challenge Questions:**

1. Why did Grace's Nana take her to the ballet?
2. Where do you think the story is set?

### Year 1 Spellings

on  
can  
had  
dad  
back  
and  
get  
big  
him  
his

### Year 2 Spellings

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apple  
bottle  
little  
middle  
able  
wobble  
multiple  
dazzle  
riddle

### Homework

#### **English**

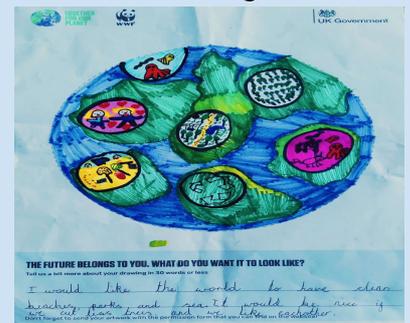
1. Practise this week's spellings.
2. Read Big Cat book and library book (*please remember to bring back your reading books by Tuesday*).
3. Complete the activity in your homework books.

#### **Maths:**

Complete the worksheet provided, reinforcing addition and subtraction skills.

## COP26 Project

In light of COP26 UK we would like you to create a poster persuading the government to act fast to save our environment. Remember to include bright colours and a slogan!





### This week's Top Ten

1. Egehan
2. Abubakar
3. Ibrahim
4. Victor
5. Muhammad
6. Shanzay
7. Abigail
8. Maxim
9. Ismail
10. Luqman

On this page, we 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:  
**Ibrahim** for finding the wonder in his learning, and taking the opportunity to consolidate his learning at home.



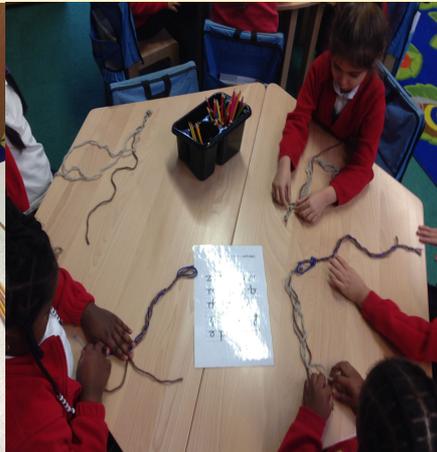
**Squirrels:** Tawid for showing good behaviour all week.

**Hedgehogs:** Elona for working in harmony with her peers.

**Butterflies:** Jaden, for trying hard across the curriculum and improving his reading skills.

### Our Work!

This week we have really enjoyed learning about Diwali. Here are some pictures of the children designing, creating and evaluating our fantastic Diwali lanterns.





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**WHCS Song Sheet**

“All Things Bright and Beautiful”

## **All Things Bright and Beautiful**

*All things bright and beautiful,  
All creatures great and small,  
All things wise and wonderful,  
The Lord, God, made them all.*

Each little flower that opens,  
Each little bird that sings,  
God made their glowing colours,  
God made their tiny wings.

*All things bright and beautiful,  
All creatures great and small,  
All things wise and wonderful,  
The Lord, God, made them all.*

The purple-headed mountain,  
The river running by,  
The sunset and the morning,  
That brighten up the sky.

*All things bright and beautiful,  
All creatures great and small,  
All things wise and wonderful,  
The Lord, God, made them all.*

The cold wind in the winter,  
The pleasant summer sun,  
The ripe fruits in the garden,  
God made them, every one.

*All things bright and beautiful,  
All creatures great and small,  
All things wise and wonderful,  
The Lord, God, made them all.*

God gave us eyes to see them,  
And lips that we might tell,  
How great is God Almighty  
Who has made all things well.

