



West Ham Church School

With God all things are possible

Key Stage 1
Weekly News Page
Autumn 2, Week 2
12th 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

Father God in Heaven,
Thank you for your love and care of us, and for all people.

Thank you for working through us to help those in need.

Please help us to see and move our hearts to help those in need around us. May we be people who put the needs of others before ourselves.

Amen.



Collective Worship

This week in collective worship, the RE ambassadors spoke to us about the qualities that a leader must have and the high expectations that we hold for those who guide us. We also observed a two minute silence and thought about why it is important to mark to mark Remembrance Day.

We also discussed the importance of looking after our planet in light of COP26 and Science Day.

During Friday's celebration assembly, we came together as a school to hear about the amazing work of the children who received this week's Star of the Week and Headteacher's Awards.

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

Start of the School Day

Please note that we are now encouraging parents to come **into the playground** to drop their child off and speak to an adult if necessary.

Please do not cross the wooden fence, but remain in the main playground.



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Science Day

The school Science Ambassadors led a fantastic array of scientific discovery this week. Children were inspired to think about what they can do to help the environment. They looked at how diet, travel and waste impacts our climate. The children were also given the opportunity to sign up to CUP26, an online platform where they can find out about more about how they can help become more sustainable.

Mathletics

We are trialling Mathletics in our school to boost confidence and develop maths skills. The children will be completing activities in class, but please encourage your child to use the program at home too.

<https://www.mathletics.com/uk/>



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.

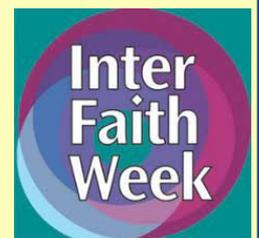
Your child should also bring a **water bottle** and a **waterproof coat** to school every day.

Interfaith Week

Next week is Interfaith Week, where we will be encouraging the children to think about what their faith and beliefs mean to them, whether they are religious or not.

Over the weekend, please talk to your child about what their faith and beliefs mean and how they help to shape them as a person. We will then be sharing these to understand more about the similarities and differences in our school community.

We will be visited by different faith leaders throughout the week in our worship and will have the chance to learn and ask questions.





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Key Stage 1 Curriculum Information



English

We looked at the features of a diary entry this week and planned and wrote our own. We discussed Grace's feelings and emotions, so we could explain how she felt. In grammar we have been learning how to write in past tense.

Maths

This week, we have introduced the children to Mathematics in class. Please encourage your child to complete the addition and subtraction activities provided online. This will support the children with the learning we do in school.

Curriculum

Science: to explore properties of materials

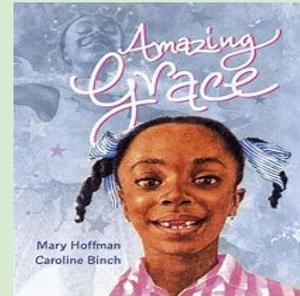
Geography: comparing aerial photographs

RSHE: challenging gender stereotypes

History: comparing past and present childhoods

Focus Text

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



Word of the Week:
frustrated

Challenge Questions:

1. Do you think Grace and Raj became friends again?
2. What would you have said to Grace to make her feel better?

Year 1 Spellings

play
way
stay
today
says
boy
toy
enjoy
annoy
royal

Year 2 Spellings

camel
tunnel
squirrel
travel
towel
tinsel
bagel
hazel
vowel
jewel

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.

Interfaith Week

As next week will be Interfaith Week we would like children to complete research into a faith of their choice. They can find out about any celebrations that take place, or discuss why, where, and how people worship.





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:
Amarah for showing **strength** when learning new concepts in maths.



Squirrels: George for working really hard to improve his phonics knowledge.

Hedgehogs: Raihan for challenging and appropriate questioning during lessons.

Butterflies: Abigail, for trying hard across the curriculum and improving her reading skills.

Our Work!

KS1 have put lots of effort into making our reading areas look amazing. Take a look at the reading corner in each class. The Student Council representatives will have the difficult decision picking the best one!



Hedgehogs



Butterflies



Squirrels



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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.

