



West Ham Church School

With God all things are possible

Lower Key Stage Two

Weekly News Page

Autumn 2, Week 6

10th December 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

Lord God,

Thank you, that out of your love you shared your son Jesus with us.

In all the fun and excitement of Christmas time, may we remember the one that we celebrate.

Help us this Christmas to follow the example of Jesus, and to find ways to share with, and care for and to love one another.



Amen

Lower Key Stage 2 Staff

Teachers

Miss Jukes - Phase Leader
Year 3 Otters - Miss Gilliland

Year 3&4 Badgers -
Miss Jukes & Mr. Forster
Year 4 Foxes - Ms. Nemeth

Teaching Assistants

Mrs. Mirza, Mrs. Ridgley,
Mrs. Kebell, Mrs. Robertson

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. e.

Value

Our school value this term is *joy*



Collective Worship

This week in worship, we learnt about the Christmas story and the different versions of the nativity from both Christianity and Islam. Miss Holroyde taught us about the journey that Mary and Joseph had to take and why it was so important, and we spent time reflecting together on the true meaning of Christmas. Robin from All Saints Church reminded us about the importance of family at Christmas time and how we shouldn't rely on material things - make sure you tell someone how much you love and appreciate them over the holidays. On Thursday, our RE Ambassadors told us more about the story of the nativity, and the birth of Jesus. On Friday, we celebrated our achievements in celebration assembly - well done to all who received a certificate!





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Swimming

Year 4 children have enjoyed their swimming lessons so far! Please remember to send your child into school with a swimming costume and a towel on their allocated swimming day:

Foxes, Year 4: Monday
Badgers, Year 4: Wednesdays

The leisure centre has some rules:

- No earrings are to be worn
- Any religious necklaces must be taped down or removed
- Swimming costumes only – no bikinis
- Swimming trunks must be short and not knee length
- All children **MUST** wear a swimming hat.



Your child must also have a waterproof coat for the walk to and from the swimming pool.

Dates for the Diary

Monday 20th December

Christmas jumper day

Christmas lunch

Christmas parties (PM)

Tuesday 21st December

Christingle service

End of term: **1:30pm** on 21st
December

Home Learning

Homework has moved online for the children in **LKS2**. All homework will be posted on Google classroom on a Friday and will be due on a Tuesday.

*If your child **does not** have access to a device or internet, please contact the office and we will arrange a loan.*

Class Parties

The children will have their class parties on **December 20th**.

Please note that we will not be accepting donations of party food this year, but will be providing food, including Halal options, ourselves.

Christmas Presents



As we near the end of term and the festive season, we know that some of you will be thinking about 'thank you' gifts for staff. Our staff **do not expect** presents, but if you do want to give something, staff appreciate cards, letters and emails more than anything – kind words mean a lot! We cannot accept cash gifts, or gifts over £10.

Please do not send in gifts if you or your child are self-isolating, have symptoms of coronavirus or have tested positive. Unfortunately, we cannot accept homemade items including homemade food. We would like to request that any gifts are clearly marked with the staff member's name.

Wishing you and your families well over this festive season and thank you for your continued support.



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Lower Key Stage 2 Curriculum Information



Maths

- Yr 3 - using arrays, multiplying and dividing by 8
- Yr 4 - multiplying and dividing by 6 and 9
- Festive maths

The children should also be practising their times tables recall frequently at home.

Focus Text

We are reading 'The Lost Happy Endings' by Carol Ann Duffy



Word of the Week:

lugged

Challenge Question:

Why was the witch furious when she opened the bag of happy endings?

English

- Story maps and writing assessments
- Planning an alternative ending to our story
- Festive activities
- Grammar: identify specific types of adverbs and adverbials (manner/time and place)

Other Curriculum Areas

- History: looking at Bronze age artefacts
- Science: looking at magnetic and non magnetic materials
- RSHE: to look at differences and conflicts
- RE: learning about Hannukah and the symbol of light

Mathletics



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

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

Year 3 Spellings

believe
appear
often
group
beneath
continue
arrive
women
describe
height

Year 4 Spellings

perhaps
popular
position
possess
possession
possible
potatoes
pressure
promise
probably

Times Tables

Each week we will focus on a different times table, this week we will focus on the 4 times table. Please help your child to practise these multiplication facts on a regular basis to help prepare them child for the multiplication check in Year 4.

x	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
2	2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24
3	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30	33	36
4	4	8	12	16	20	24	28	32	36	40	44	48
5	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60
6	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60	66	72
7	7	14	21	28	35	42	49	56	63	70	77	84
8	8	16	24	32	40	48	56	64	72	80	88	96
9	9	18	27	36	45	54	63	72	81	90	99	108
10	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	110	120
11	11	22	33	44	55	66	77	88	99	110	121	132
12	12	24	36	48	60	72	84	96	108	120	132	144

Useful Links

English

1. Practise this week's spellings
2. Read an e-book
<https://ebooks.collinsopenpage.com>
3. Bedrock vocabulary:
<https://app.bedrocklearning.org/>

Maths:

1. Education City:
<https://www.educationcity.com/>
2. Mathletics:
<https://mathletics.com/uk/>



Mathletics

Mathletics Certificates

Bronze - 1000 points

Tasleem	Asya
Zakariyah	Sameeha
Shirley	Daria
Iasmina	
Kayden	Krishna
Amyah	Pedro
Iustin	Emily
Arwa	Jevan
Esmae	Francesca
Leila	

Silver - 5 Bronze certificates
 Alexander

Gold - 5 Silver certificates

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

Quote of the Week
Be the change you wish to see in the world.



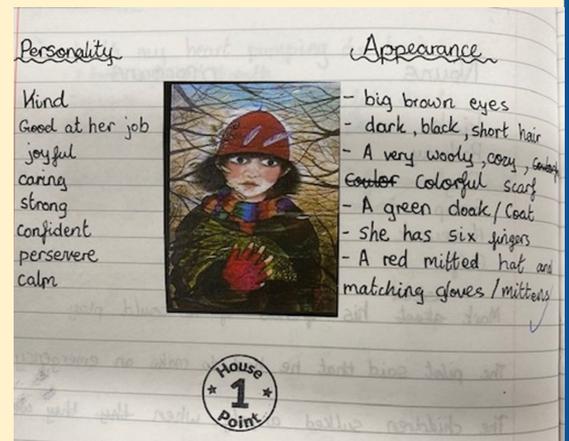
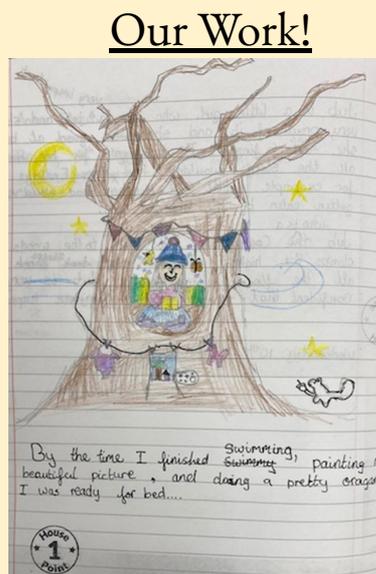
Special mention to **Esmae** for fantastic work during maths lessons this week.



Otters: Taeyla, for supporting her peers with their work.

Badgers: Zaid, for fantastic effort and enthusiasm across the curriculum this week.

Foxes: Moses for great improvement in his attitude to learning and improved handwriting.



Here are some of the samples of our English work this term based on the story *The Lost Happy Endings*. We have created our own settings, written detailed character descriptions and for our final piece of writing created our own alternative ending of the story.