



West Ham Church School

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Key Stage 1

Weekly News Page

Spring 2, Week 2

4th March 2022



A note from Mrs. James, Headteacher
We are really pleased attendance is improving across the school (currently at **93%**). We understand children need to be at home when they are poorly and of course, covid, has affected this. However, it is essential children attend school to take advantage of all the opportunities school offers.

Mrs. Forster, our Attendance Officer, and Mrs. Theodosiou, our School Home Support Practitioner, support families where persistent absence is a concern.

Please remember to telephone us if your child is going to be absent.

We are aware that the **Winter Vomiting Bug** is doing the rounds across the country. Symptoms are the sudden onset of projectile vomiting and watery diarrhoea. In these circumstances, children should remain at home for **48 hours** after symptoms pass. Best wishes.

Key Stage 1 Staff

Year 2:

Squirrels ~ Mr. Dickey,
Phase Leader
Hedgehogs ~ Mrs. Jordan

Year 1:

Butterflies ~ Mrs. Aslam

Teaching Assistants

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

Bagel Grab and Go

Morning bagels are provided daily from 8:15-8:25am.

Children should arrive at St Lucia Drive gate between 8:15-8:25 and go into the hall to eat their bagel before the start of the school day.

Prayer Space

A prayer from the team at All Saints Church

Dear God,

You are a forgiving God who forgives us completely.

Help us to always be kind to one another.

If we hurt someone, may we be quick to say sorry, and if we've been hurt, help us to forgive.

Please bring peace and healing to those whose hearts are hurting.

Thank you that you love us and are always with us to help us.

Amen

Values

Our school value this term is

TRUST



Collective Worship

The All Saints Church team visited on Wednesday and Rebecca talked to us about forgiveness and how important it is for us to forgive others. Together we explored the story of the Prodigal Son (Luke, 15: 11-32), and whether it is always easy to forgive someone else.

Ms Qureshi spoke to us about what Lent means to Christians, as well as how and why it is marked, while the children spoke about Shrove Tuesday and Ash Wednesday in their class assembly time. *We have also begun to learn a new song with the help of Jamie and Rebecca from All Saints Church - you can find the lyrics on this week's song sheet!*

Attendance Ladder





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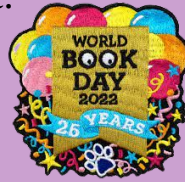


World Book Day

On Thursday, we celebrated World Book Day with the theme 'Every Child A Reader'. We centred our activities around stories from our own families and cultures. It was so lovely to see so many children dressed up and talking happily about their favourite books - a big thank you to all who helped!

Children in KS1 read a tale from Romania called "The Enchanted Pig." The children enjoyed taking part in role play to show their understanding of the text.

Each child has been given a World Book Day voucher which they can exchange for a special World Book Day book!



Polite Reminders

Children need to bring in a pair of wellington boots for forest school lessons. Please also remember to send children to school with a full PE kit including tracksuit bottoms during the cold weather.

Butterflies

PE Everyday
Forest school - Thursday

Hedgehogs

PE - Wednesday
Forest school - Monday

Squirrels

PE - Wednesday
Forest School - Monday

Food Waste Week

From the 7th -11th March, as part of Food Waste Week, the children will be learning all about food waste. As a school, we will be raising awareness and taking part in a range of activities.

To prepare for next week, we'd like the children to begin to think about what they can do at home and at school to reduce food waste. It would be great if they could create a poster or fact file of ideas. In school, the children will be involved in creating a food waste superhero, as well as investigating how much food is wasted at lunchtime.

We would love you to get involved at home and help us to tackle food waste so we can make a difference across our community.





Maths

We are still looking at statistics in Year 2 maths. The children have learnt about Tally charts, pictograms and block diagrams.

Children in Year 1 are still learning about addition and subtraction. They are learning to use the crocodile method for more than and less than.

English

This week, the children have been introduced to the book we will be unpicking, *The Bee Who Spoke*.

They have been developing their prediction skills and using the front page to discuss what they think the story is about.

FOCUS TEXT

'The Bee Who Spoke' by Al MacCuish and Rebecca Gibbon.



Key word: gleaming

Year 1 Spellings

made
came
same
take
safe
date
lake
these
theme
complete

Year 2 Spellings

key
donkey
monkey
chimney
valley
trolley
turkey
hockey
parsley
journey

French Phrase of the Week

We have been set a challenge by our French teacher, Madame Zucconi. Each week, we learn a new phrase to use as much as possible and gather points.



Next week's phrase is
Qu'elle heure est-il?
What time is it?

Mathletics

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Please continue to use Mathletics at home to boost confidence and develop maths skills.

Children will also be completing activities in class.

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

Homework

Please ensure that your child is able to login to access online homework, and contact the office if you need assistance.



Mathletics

Bronze - 1000 points

- Maryama
- Georgiana
- Ismail
- Maria
- Yasin
- Aysha
- Hasir
- Luqman
- Athina
- Tawhid
- Ana-Sofia
- Jonathan
- Zain
- Maxim
- Victor

- Abubakar - SILVER
- Egehan - SILVER

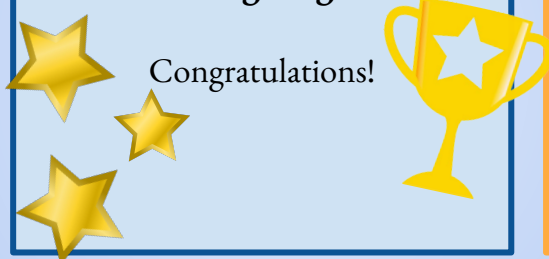
- On this page, we celebrate the children's achievements in and out of school, including
- ❖ good behaviour
 - ❖ excellent attitude to learning
 - ❖ progress
 - ❖ high quality work
 - ❖ awards

Attendance

The class with the highest attendance in EYFS and KS1 last week was...

Hedgehogs

Congratulations!



This week the award goes to **Ilyada** for showing **wonder and strength** in her English and ballet and for her improvement in effort in class.



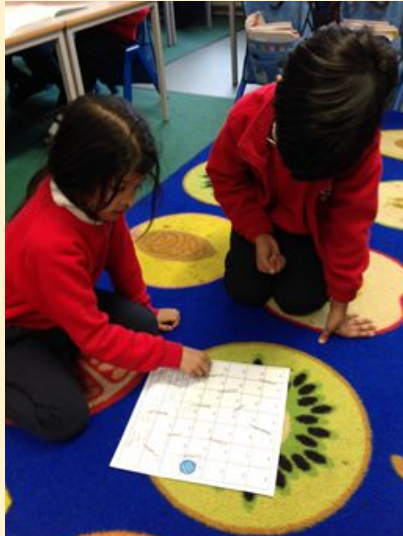
Squirrels: Jonathan for working in harmony with all the children.

Hedgehogs: Raihan for working hard and being a good friend

Butterflies: Snezhana for making good choices and putting more effort into her learning.

Our Work!

This week in Religious Education we have been looking at the game snakes and ladders, and using its origins in the Hindu faith to try and understand more about Hinduism.





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WHCS Song Sheet

Not Afraid

If You say I'm an overcomer
I will overcome the monster
I may be small, but I'm a fighter
'Cause You are strong and fear's a liar.

*I'm not afraid of the dark,
The dark's afraid of me.
I'm not afraid 'cause Your heart
Is shining bright in me.
Be bold, be strong,
Be brave, hold on,
I'm not afraid anymore.
Your love glows in the dark.*

Today I put on heaven's armour,
Your sword and shield
Cannot be conquered.
I'll raise a shout 'cause I'm a warrior
Your battle cry will lead me onward.

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The dark's afraid of me.
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Sing it out loud, sing it out strong.
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*Thank you to the team from All Saints Church
who are helping us to learn this new song!*