



# West Ham Church School

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## Lower Key Stage 2

Weekly News Page

Spring 2, Week 5

25th March 2022



### **A note from Mrs. James, Headteacher**

Today we held our first **Parent Forum** - it was really good to meet with parents face to face in the comfort of our staffroom to discuss parent perceptions on what's going well and areas that we will look into to improve.

**Strengths:** communication (through texts, news pages and emails); home learning (amount, organisation); quality of teaching and learning; children are mostly happy in school; parents are happy with how well the school coped during the pandemic.

**Areas parents would like to see improved:** use of devices at home (parents would like help to know how to log on); congestion and puddles at playground gate; focus on pen and paper maths for younger children; workshops on methods in maths, how to assist children with their home learning including ICT skills for parents.

We also discussed systems to report first aid and accidents in school and I was able to share a new online system that we will be introducing. Staff have been training on it recently. First aid notifications will be sent by text rather than paper slips when we introduce this new system after the Easter holidays. Please don't be alarmed if you receive a text - if it is a serious incident we would always call you directly.

Thank you to the parents who attended; it was my pleasure to get to know you better. I hope more parents will be able to join us next time.

### **Lower Key Stage 2 Staff**

#### **Teachers**

Miss Jukes - Phase Leader

Year 3 Otters - Miss Gilliland

Year 3&4 Badgers -

Miss Jukes & Miss Holroyde

Year 4 Foxes - Ms. Nemeth

#### **Teaching Assistants**

Mrs. Mirza, Mrs. Ridgley,

Mrs. Kebell, Mrs. Robertson

### **Prayer Space**

*A prayer from the team at  
All Saints Church*

Father God,

We thank you that you love and care  
for all people.

Thank you for the special women you  
put in our lives who love and care for  
us.

Thank you for the sacrifices that they  
make for us; please bless them and  
encourage them in all that they do.

May this Mothering Sunday be a truly  
special day for each and every one.

Amen

### **Values**

Our school value this  
term is

# TRUST



### **Collective Worship**

This week, Simon from West Ham Church visited us and spoke to us about how to show compassion and forgive others, using a story from Luke, chapter 15. We also learnt about Good Friday and what it means to Christians with Miss Qureshi. The children discussed the sacrifices that are made to help others. We also enjoyed celebrating everyone's achievements on Friday.



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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 - Monday**

**Badgers - Friday**



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.

### Easter Service



On Thursday 31st March, all children are attending the Easter Service at All Saints Church. The children have worked incredibly hard at their Easter production. Due to space constraints, only Year 3 and 4 parents will be able to attend. If you have any questions, please contact the school.

### Teacher Consultations

Face to face teacher consultations are next week. Please contact the office if you cannot book an appointment, or need support.

### After-School Clubs

Please note that there will be no after school clubs, or wrap-around care, on Thursday 31st March due to staff training. All children must be collected at 1:30pm.

### French Phrase of the Week

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

**Next week's phrase is:**



J'adore les vacances! -I love the holidays!

### Assessment Week



Next week we will be completing English assessments.

Good bedtime routines and healthy breakfasts will help the children to focus and perform their best. Please support your child to develop and maintain a good home routine.

### Dates for the diary

#### ***Easter Performance***

*Thursday 31st March*

*Y3/4 parents only at All Saints Church, 9:30 am*

#### ***End of Spring Term***

*Thursday 31st March - 1:30pm*

*Please collect your child promptly from the playground.*

#### ***Start of Summer Term***

*Tuesday 19th April 8:30am*

*The Easter religious festival falls within the spring break*

### Reading for Pleasure

We are taking part in "World of Stories", a project about reading for pleasure, and would love your input. Please complete the survey that was shared with you earlier this week. You can also access it by scanning this QR code with a smartphone:



### School Council

This week school council faced a serious challenge, judging the food waste posters / crafts across the school.

They came up with their own criteria and will announce the winning pieces in assembly. Well done to everyone who took part!



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## Lower Key Stage 2 Curriculum Information



### Maths

- Yr 3 - comparing lengths
- Yr 4 - using the decimal point to represent tenths

### Focus Text

*Next week, the whole school will be exploring different elements of the Easter story.*



### Word of the Week: betrayal

*Who do Christians believe betrayed Jesus?*

### English

- English: writing assessment
- Grammar: noun phrases

### Spring Term Curriculum Information

- History: how did the Roman army help to expand the Roman Empire?
- Geography: explaining how fossils are formed
- Science: exploring some of the different ways in which flowering plants disperse their seeds
- RSHE: knowing what it feels like to make a healthy choice
- RE: writing a story on the value of not giving up.
- *All songs for our Easter Production are online on Google Classroom, please continue to practise them!*

### French Vocabulary



Bonjour! -Morning

Salut! - Hi

Comment ça va? -How is it going?

Comment vas-tu? - How are you?

Tu vas bien? You're okay?

Oui très bien! - Yes very good!

Et toi? -And you?

Moi aussi! -Me too!

Bonjour! Bonjour! - Morning! Morning!

Salut! Salut! - Hi! Hi!

Comment ça va? Comment ça va? - How is it going? How is it going?

Comment vas-tu? Comment vas-tu? -How are you? How are you?

### Year 3 Spellings

chef  
chalet  
machine  
brochure  
crochet  
ricochet  
parachute  
moustache  
champagne  
chute

### Year 4 Spellings

solve  
solution  
insoluble  
dissolve  
solvent  
sign  
signature  
assign  
design  
signal

### Times Tables

Each week we will focus on a different times table, this week, to help develop confidence, we will focus on the **6 and 7 times tables**.

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. Mathletics:  
<https://mathletics.com/uk/>
2. Times Tables  
[https://www.timestables.co.uk](https://www.timestables.co.uk/)
3. Topmarks  
<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>



**Mathletics**

**Mathletics Certificates**

**Bronze - 1000 points**

Tasleem	Asya
Zakariyah	Sameeha
Shirley	Daria
Iasmina	Alexander
Kayden	Krishna
Amyah	Pedro
Iustin	Emily
Arwa	Jevan
Esmae	Francesca
Leila	Besarta
Zayyan	Alexander
Tohfa	Alicia
Mihran	Jadon
Paulinka	Idilay
Henrique	

**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 KS2 last week was...

**Wolves**

Congratulations!



Special mention to **Antoni** for great achievement in his assessments this week



**Otters: Adam**, for being reflective and working towards his personal goals.

**Badgers: Oliver**, for showing great strength and determination in his work this week and being helpful to his peers.

**Foxes: Jevan**, for fantastic performance during our Easter play.

**Our Work!**



On Monday we took part in the Easter experience at St. John's Church. The children worked collaboratively to complete a range of different activities, including designing stained glass windows, taking part in drama activities, and making a banner for Easter.



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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.

*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.*

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!*