



# West Ham Church School

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## Upper Key Stage Two

Weekly News Page

Spring 2, Week 2

Friday 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.

### Upper Key Stage 2 Staff

#### Teachers

Miss Shaw - Phase Leader  
Miss Pandya - Year 5 Wolves  
Miss Shaw & Mr. Forster- Year  
5&6 Kingfishers  
Miss Thurman - Year 6 Eagles

#### Teaching Assistants

Mrs Siyani, Mrs. Mekuria,  
Miss Sperger

### Bagel Grab and Go

We are providing bagels in the morning from 8:15-8:25am.

Children will be allowed through the St Lucia drive gate and into the hall to eat their bagel before the start of the 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



### National Maritime Museum

A reminder of visits to the National Maritime Museum happening over the next two weeks:

**Eagles - Friday 4th March**  
**Wolves - Friday 11th March**



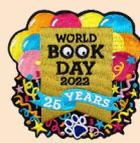
Please ensure that we have your consent form and that you have paid on School Money.

### World Book Day

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

The children in UKS2 took part in an online 'Footy and Booky' quiz where they were tested on their sport and book knowledge by authors and premier league football players.

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



### Faith in Schools

Next week, we will be visited by Faith in Schools who will be delivering creative RE lessons in our phase supporting our previous unit of Life After Death.



### 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.



### 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?*





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## English

- Planning a suspense story with a focus on language
- Writing a suspense story and peer assessing to add improvements

## Focus Text



### Key word: grappled

*What do you make of the monster?  
Do you think it is real or a figment  
of Conor's imagination?  
Explain why.*

## Maths

Year 5

- Multiplying fractions and mixed numbers with whole numbers and fractions

Year 6

- Understanding metric and imperial measurements
- Converting between miles and kilometres

## Foundation Subjects

History: What were conditions like on the Titanic?

Science: How do living things evolve?

Computing: inputting data

RSHE: understanding the importance of a healthy diet

Mathletics

## Mathletics

Please ensure that you use Mathletics at home to boost confidence and develop maths skills.

Children will also be completing activities in class.

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

## Year 5 Spellings

pause  
cause  
sauce  
fraud  
launch  
author  
August  
applaud  
astronaut  
restaurant



## Year 6 Spellings

partial  
confidential  
essential  
substantial  
torrential  
sequential  
potential  
spatial  
martial  
influential

## Useful Links

### English

1. Read an e-book  
<https://ebooks.collinsopenpage.com>
2. Bedrock  
vocabulary:<https://app.bedrocklearning.org/>

### Maths:

1. Education City:  
<https://www.educationcity.com/>
2. SATs Companion  
<https://app.satscompanion.com/login>
3. Mathletics

## Home Learning

Our home learning will be posted on Google Classroom. It is important that pupils complete these activities to consolidate their learning from this week.

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



# Mathletics

## Mathletics Certificates

### Bronze - 1000 points

Cagrihan  
 Faizan  
 Aaron  
 Armanis  
 Ahana

Silver - 5 Bronze  
 certificates  
 Jamal

Gold - 5 Silver certificates

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...

**Eagles**

Congratulations!



**Priscilla** for her strength and determination tackling algebra this week.



**Wolves: Cristiano** for using his strength to speak up in class and contribute to class discussions

**Kingfishers: Andrea** for writing an incredible descriptive poem

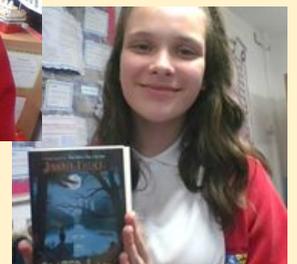
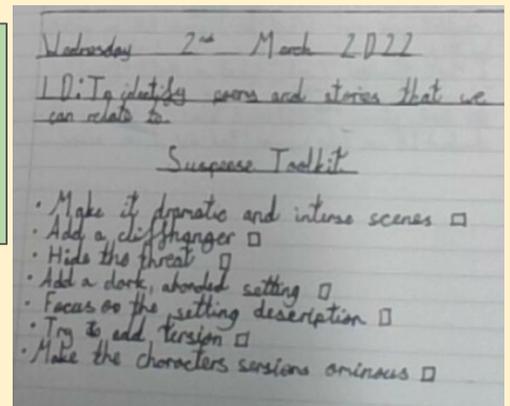
**Eagles: Eddy** for showing compassion when helping others in maths.

## Our Work



Kingfishers enjoyed their visit - it was great to get out of school and explore.

In English we have been starting to discuss how to write exciting suspense stories.



We enjoyed sharing our favourite stories with each other on World Book Day!



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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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Is shining bright in 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!*