



# West Ham Church School

*With God all things are possible*

Newsletter  
Spring 2  
Week 6

## A note from Mrs. James, Headteacher

Two of our year 5 pupils, Arwa and Fatima, were speakers at the Proud Places conference in central London this week alongside Lord Bird and other influential figures. They spoke confidently about their involvement in the Queen Mary's arch restoration project and showed strength to overcome their nerves! We are very proud of them.

Please help your child create a spring themed hat for our Easter Bonnet Parade on Thursday next week.



## 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.

## Easter Service

Thursday 30th March

Please join us for our Easter Service and Easter Bonnet Parade at All Saints Church  
9:15 am

Children across the school will be sharing songs, poems and readings.

We look forward to seeing you there.

## Annual Review Day - Friday 31st March

### Remember:

- Children must attend the appointment with you
- Come to the main school office to sign in
- You will be directed to your child's classroom where you will meet with the teacher
- After the consultation/s please go to the school hall to:
  - Collect your children's new grey school jumper (*purchased by the school to assist our families with the uniform change in times of hardship*)
  - Complete the parent survey
  - Possibly buy a book from the book fayre
  - Participate in Easter activities including the Easter Egg Raffle
- Collect your **Easter Holiday Meal Vouchers** (for eligible families) from the office
- Collect a school packed lunch from the reception area

## Values

Our school value this term is

## **Justice**

"Do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with God"  
(Micah 6:8).



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## West Ham Church School Uniform

Please see below for the **phased** introduction of our new uniform:

### Summer Uniform 2023

**NEW!** Grey and/or red school jumper/cardigan

White polo shirt

Navy blue trousers, shorts, skirts or pinafores

**NEW!** Pink and/or red gingham summer dress

White, navy or grey socks/tights

Black shoes or sandals

Red fleece

### P.E. Kit

Navy shorts

Navy jogging bottoms/tracksuit

Plain white t-shirt

White, navy or grey socks

Trainers

### Autumn/Spring 2023-2024

Grey school jumper/cardigan (red to be worn for P.E.)

White polo shirt

Navy blue trousers, shorts, skirts or pinafores

**Pink** or red gingham summer dress (autumn first half term only)

White, navy or grey socks/tights

Black shoes or sandals

**NEW!** Grey or red fleece

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Grey jumper/cardigan

White polo shirt

Navy blue trousers, shorts, skirts or pinafores

**Pink** gingham summer dress

White, navy or grey socks/tights

Black shoes or sandals

**Grey** fleece

Red jumpers/fleeces can still be worn in P.E.

when the weather is cold.

## Early Years Foundation Stage

### This week:

This week we have been working on our writing, following the whole-school topic of The Easter Story. Although we have approached this in a very Early-Years friendly way, please be aware that your child may want to talk about some of the themes they have learned about in the story at home. In Reception, the children built their own zoo, talking about animal habitats and enjoyed writing labels for the enclosures. In preparation for our Easter learning, Little Owls have been using their senses to explore hot cross buns: voting on whether they liked or disliked the smell and texture. We have also been exploring how things are made by making our very own playdough: taking in turns to add various ingredients and mix them together.

### Next week:

We are looking forward to celebrating Easter next week, with our visit to the church on Thursday. The children will be able to participate in Easter themed activities including Easter hat making, card making and an egg number hunt outside.



### Reminders:

Both Nursery and Reception will be receiving holiday learning packs.

Please support your child over the holidays to **read daily** looking for high frequency and tricky words.



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**KS1**

Weekly News Page  
Phase Leader: Mrs. Lord -Attivor  
(DHT)

## Key Stage 1

### This week:

Year 2 have been undergoing assessments in reading, maths (arithmetic and reasoning). These are to help them prepare for their upcoming SATS in the summer term. All of the children worked really hard. These practise tests help the children to get used to paper assessments and also the process of assessments in school.

Year 1 have also been doing assessments in English and maths. They have been doing their assessment online giving them the opportunity to work on chromebooks with the assistance of the adults in their classes.

### Next week:

On Monday, Year 1 will be visiting the **London Symphony Orchestra** at The Barbican Centre. We will be taking the Elizabeth Line to Farringdon and will be back for normal hometime. What an amazing opportunity!

On Tuesday, Year 2 will be visiting **Queen's Market** on Green Street as part of their Design and Technology topic. We will be taking the bus from school to Green Street where the children are going to buy the ingredients for their chosen starter or dessert. The children will not need to bring packed lunch as we will be back before lunchtime.



Please make your child is wearing comfortable shoes and a warm coat - full uniform is required. Please speak with your child about what they are planning to make and if they have found out anything new from their visit.

The children will be publishing their finished biography on our courageous advocate, **Marcus Rashford**.



### Reminders:

Friday is parent teacher conferences. Please ensure that you child attends with you to receive their mark for attendance. They will also be able to pick up lunch and their new summer uniform jumper/cardigan from the hall during this time too.



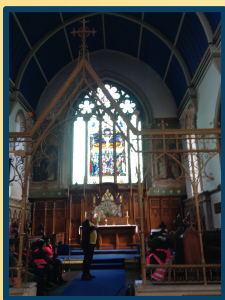
## Lower Key Stage 2

### This week:

We have completed a range of assessments this week in LKS2. Children have remained positive throughout of the process. The children are confident and optimistic that they will achieve their goals at the end of this academic year.

As part of our learning in RE, we have been discussing the emotions felt by Jesus' followers during Easter week. Children created detailed emotion graphs and were able to articulate the emotions felt using words and drawings.

LKS2 visited **St John's Church in Stratford** and enjoyed taking part in the annual Easter experience. They were engaged in a range of activities such as painting, singing, dancing and engaging in roleplay.



### Next week:

Children will visit **Kew Gardens** to take part in an immersive experience, exploring the sights and smells of the rainforest plants located in one of Kew's magnificent glasshouses. They will journey through the rainforest, observing and investigating rainforest products, discussing the importance of the rainforest in our everyday life and the lives of those who live within the rainforest.

### Reminders:

There will be **no swimming** this week. Parent consultations will take place on **Friday 31st March**, please book an appointment through the school office.



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**KS2**

Weekly News Page  
Phase Leader & Acting Assistant  
Headteacher: Miss Shaw

## Upper Key Stage 2

### This week:

We have completed assessments this week and are so proud of the children's positive attitude and growth mindset. We share the children's progress with you on Friday.

In RE, we have been learning about the gospels and their retelling of the Easter story and how beliefs can influence people's actions. We have focused on Pope Francis and how his actions and attitude mirrored that of Jesus and his disciples.

Kingfishers class visited the **British Museum** to look at Greek artefacts; they had a fantastic time!



### Next week:

The Year 5 **Shakespeare Play** will take place on **Wednesday 29th March**. There are two performances:

**10:00am** Parents and families with young children

**2:00pm** Parents (adults only)

Please contact the office to book tickets

Some of our year 6 pupils will also be visiting the Barbican centre on Tuesday to watch the **London Symphony Orchestra**.



**Reminders:** Parent consultations will take place on Friday 31st March, please book an appointment with your child's teacher. Children will need to attend.

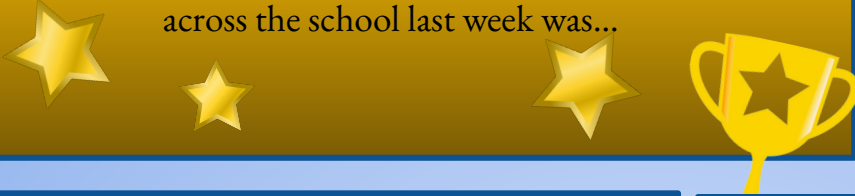


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## Attendance

Congratulations! The class with the highest attendance across the school last week was...



## Celebration Page

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



## Headteacher' Awards

**Wonder (LKS2): Mario** has been sharing wonder in his learning, not only with himself, but other children in the class.

**Harmony (UKS2): Ahana**, for always showing kindness and respect to both peers and adults.

**Compassion (EYFS): Sofia**, for always helping others and using kind hands and a kind heart.

**Strength (KS1): Yaryna** for showing strength and perseverance during week especially with Maths.



**Little Owls (Nursery): Zayed** for showing enthusiasm towards healthy eating at snack times.

**Dragonflies (Reception): Elizabeth** for remembering key events in The Easter story.

**Ladybirds (Reception & Y1): Namera** for settling so well into our class.

**Butterflies (Y1): Mustafa** for being helpful to others and for his effort in Maths.

**Hedgehogs (Y2): Jaden** for working really hard during assessment week.

**Squirrels (Y2): Ibrahim** for being kind and considerate to his friends and classmate.

**Otters (Y3): Tasnia** for her thoughtful responses in class discussions about Romeo and Juliet

**Badgers (Y3&4): Azante** for completing high quality RE learning.

**Foxes (Y4): Zayyan** has been incredibly focused and setting a good example to his peers.

**Swallows (Y5): Tohfa**, for always being an outstanding role model to her class, and no matter the task, she will try her best.

**Eagles (Y5&6): Isabella**, for her fantastic focus and resilience in assessments this week.

**Kingfishers (Y6): Reeha** for always having a positive attitude and trying to build others up around her

## Mathletics

**Gold:**

**Silver:**

**Bronze:** Oke (Y6)



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**WHCS Song Sheet**

Sing Hosanna

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Give me oil in my lamp, keep me burning,  
Give me oil in my lamp I pray.  
Give me oil in my lamp keep me burning,  
Keep me burning 'till the end of day.

Sing hosanna  
Sing hosanna  
Sing hosanna to the king of kings.  
Sing hosanna  
Sing hosanna  
Sing hosanna to the king

*Repeat the verse with these changes*

1. Give me oil in my lamp, keep me burning,
2. Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising,
3. Give me peace in my heart, keep me resting
4. Give me love in my heart, keep me serving

Sing hosanna  
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Sing hosanna to the king of kings.  
Sing hosanna  
Sing hosanna  
Sing hosanna to the king