



WESSEX GARDENS PRIMARY & NURSERY SCHOOL

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Newsletter

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Welcome to this week's Newsletter

Welcome back!

I do hope you all have a wonderful Easter break. It is great to see the children talk about their learning. I had a really interesting conversation with some of our Y6 about war and conflict today.

Ofsted Report

Please read our Ofsted report carefully. We are proud of all the positives in the report and are addressing their recommendations. Please do come and see me if you would like anything clarified or to discuss the report.

Full day Friday

Reminder that Fridays are now a full school day for our Reception to Y6 children.

Safeguarding : Safer Apps and Games for Children

In an ever-evolving online world, sometimes it's difficult to make sense of the huge selection of apps and games available to young minds. The choices are almost endless and it's not always possible to know which apps are age appropriate, which games are safe to play and just what content your child is being exposed to. Attached with this Newsletter are handy guides for parents and carers with suggested apps and games that children might enjoy using to learn and play.

In these guides, you'll find tips on a number of potential risks such as age appropriate content and games, age ratings and more.

Eid Mubarak

Finally, I do hope all those celebrating Eid have a wonderful time with loved ones.

Wishing you a relaxing weekend.

Alexander Banks
Headteacher



SCHOOL REMINDERS & INFORMATION



Dates for your diary

25.04.2023	Silver Birch class visit to Golders Green Library
27.04.2023	Possible Teachers Strike day Y3&4 trip to British Museum School Discos Reception Hearing & Vision Recalls
01.05.2023	Bank Holiday—School Closed
02.05.2023	Possible Teachers Strike Day
08.05.2023	Bank Holiday—School Closed—Kings Coronation
09-12.05.2023	KS2 SATs week
29.05-05.06.23	Half Term Holiday—School Closed
06.06.2023	School Reopens
07-09.06.2023	Year 6 School Journey—Moat Mount/ Year 6 Non School Journey London trips
27.06.2023	Year 2 trip to National Portrait Gallery
28.06.2023	School Photographer—Class Photos
14.07.2023	Year 2 trip to Royal Mews
21.07.2023	Last day of term—school closes 1.15pm No after school club

Reminder that the after school clubs start again next week.

School Discos

Thursday 27th March 2023

Reception-Year 2: 3.30pm-4.30pm

Tickets cost £2.00 and include drink, chocolate snack and crisps.

Children may come to school in their own clothes.

The children will go straight to the Disco and should be collected promptly at 4.30pm from the Infant playground.

Year 3—6 : 4.45pm-5.45pm

Tickets cost £1.50. Children should bring pocket money (change) to buy drinks/snacks at the disco.

The children should be collected from school as usual at 3.30pm and brought back to school for 4.45pm. Children to enter school by Junior gate

Tickets are available to purchase online at <https://schoolmoney.co.uk>

All children will need to be collected promptly following the discos. NO lone travellers.



Please be aware there is a **National Emergency Alert** mobile phone messaging test at 3pm on Sunday 23rd April 2023. For information please visit: www.gov.uk/alerts -About Emergency Alerts

Information in relation to how to switch off these alerts in order to protect the phone owner in scenarios such as domestic violence can be found here: Managing Emergency Alerts on your phone to stay safe if you're experiencing domestic abuse - YouTube

Letters home this week

Nurs-Y6 Ofsted Report



TERM DATES 2022/2023

SUMMER TERM 2023

FIRST HALF:

MAY DAY:

KING'S CORONATION

HALF TERM HOLIDAY:

SECOND HALF:

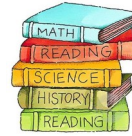
Monday 17th April – Friday 26th May

Monday 1st May

Monday 8th May

Monday 29th May – Monday 5th June

Tuesday 6th June – Friday 21st July



TEA WITH THE HEAD



Invitations to Tea with the Head and achievement certificates will go out next week.

Attendance % week ended

Chestnut	95%
Maple	95%
Palm	88%
Redwood	97%
Cedar	98%
Hazel	93%
Hawthorn	98%
Acacia	95%
Sycamore	95%
Magnolia	87%
Mahogany	92%

No classes achieved 100% attendance this week



Sunday 23rd April



London
Marathon

Nursery

This week we have been focusing on settling the children back into the Nursery routine. We have enjoyed mark making based on our interests, cutting flowers and making masks. We have been spending lots of time outdoors enjoying the sunshine while pursuing and developing a range of interests. We are becoming confident at moving imaginatively and have been very proud of our achievements. PE has been moved to Wednesdays, please make sure your child is wearing socks (no tights) and has shoes with Velcro fastenings so that they can take them on and off independently. We continue to have music lessons on Thursdays and enjoy learning new songs and actions. Please continue to check Tapestry regularly.
The Nursery Team

Reception

Welcome back to all the children, in Pine we had a very exciting start to our term. We walked to the Library and the children learned how to borrow books and return books. Thank you to our 'parent helpers'. Silver Birch will be visiting the Library next week. In phonics the children have been going over some of the sounds they learned last term and in maths we have been exploring numbers beyond 10. The adventure continues next week. Have a lovely weekend.

Year 1 &

Welcome back! We hope you all had a restful Easter holiday. A quick introduction of all our staff working in Key Stage 1.

Year 2

Palm class— Ms Maiko Takemoto and Ms Katalin Kopasz (Thursday)

Redwood class—Miss Tara Rajah

Maple class — Ms Marva Denys

Chestnut class — Ms Aderonke Tenreiro (Monday, Tuesday) and

Miss Anasuya Magedaragame (Wednesday, Thursday, Friday)

and our wonderful support staff are:

Ben, Salmah, Angela, Iwona, Dawn, Sadia, Alex, Fifi, Dupe and Sue.

Year 2 topic is 'Magnificent Monarch' and we will be learning about the English and British monarchy from AD 871 to present. We will be looking at royal palaces, portraits and other historical sources and we will be researching about some significant sovereigns. Year 1 topic is 'School Days' the children will be learning about everyday life and families today, and comparing childhood in the 1950s, using artefacts and a range of different sources.

Year 3 & 4

What a wonderful first week back for Year 3/4! We are really enjoying our new topic 'Emperors and Empires' and look forward to learning lots more in the coming weeks. The children completed really high quality home learning over the holidays, gaining lots of pre knowledge on our new topic, which is fantastic. In maths, Year 3 have been exploring mass and capacity, and Year 4 have been introduced to decimals. Please encourage your children to practise their times tables and corresponding division facts. In English, we have been preparing to write a biography for our chosen emperors of Rome. We very much forward to writing them next week. Wishing a very happy Eid to those who are celebrating—have a wonderful weekend!

Year 5

It has been a great first week back for Year 5. Enthusiastically, we have started with the power of reading in English. Pupils have been introduced to the characters of Odysseus and Penelope as part of the Greek Myths and Legends sequence. In maths, Year 5 have been building on prior knowledge by converting fractions, decimals and percentages into one another. In science, we are coming to the end of our topic on Humans and their life cycles, and will continue next with Materials and their properties. As part of our geography topic 'Sow, Grow, and Farm', Year 5 have been learning about coffee farmers in Peru.

Year 6

In Year 6 this week we enjoyed the intense learning and revision. In the beginning of the week we did netball with Shakur, it was very entertaining and fun to do. We also enjoyed excelling in our learning.

The girls also loved going swimming and we enjoyed having Shoyntae.

In history, our new topic is about Britain going to war. In our first lesson we studied different wars up to World War II.

Damiona & Asiah