

WESSEX GARDENS PRIMARY & NURSERY SCHOOL

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Newsletter

Summer Term - 19th May 2023 (Issue 31)

Welcome to this week's Newsletter



Another very busy week at Wessex Gardens! It has been lovely to have a bit of sunshine at last!

I have received so many beautiful pieces of Coronation homework. Please keep them coming in! It was a very important moment in history.

We have had so many trips lately and many more are planned. I want to thank all those who volunteer to accompany the children, sadly we can't take you all but without your support, many of the trips could not take place. It really adds so much to the children's learning if they can get out of the classroom!

Wishing you a relaxing weekend.

Alexander Banks
Headteacher

SCHOOL REMINDERS & INFORMATION



Dates for your diary

24.05.2023	Year 5 trip to Kidzania
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
22.06.2023	School Discos
27.06.2023	Year 2 trip to National Portrait Gallery
28.06.2023	School Photographer—Class Photos
06.07.2023	Summer Fair 2.30-5.30pm
14.07.2023	Year 2 trip to Royal Mews
21.07.2023	Last day of term—school closes 1.15pm No after school club

TERM DATES 2022/2023

SUMMER TERM 2023

FIRST HALF:	Monday 17 th April – Friday 26 th May
MAY DAY:	Monday 1 st May
KING'S CORONATION	Monday 8 th May
HALF TERM HOLIDAY:	Monday 29 th May – Monday 5 th June
SECOND HALF:	Tuesday 6 th June – Friday 21 st July

TERM DATES 2023-2024

AUTUMN TERM 2023

FIRST HALF:	Wednesday 6 th September – Friday 20 th October
HALF TERM HOLIDAY:	Monday 23 rd October – Friday 27 th October
SECOND HALF:	Monday 30 th October – Wednesday 20 th December

SPRING TERM 2024

FIRST HALF:	Monday 8 th January – Friday 9 th February
HALF TERM HOLIDAY:	Monday 12 th February – Monday 19 th February
SECOND HALF:	Tuesday 20 th February – Thursday 28 th March

SUMMER TERM 2024

FIRST HALF:	Monday 15 th April – Friday 24 th May
MAY DAY:	Monday 6 th May
HALF TERM HOLIDAY:	Monday 27 th May – Monday 3 rd June
SECOND HALF:	Tuesday 4 th June – Wednesday 24 th July

Attendance % week ended

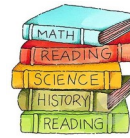
Chestnut	95%
Maple	96%
Palm	98%
Redwood	98%
Cedar	93%
Hazel	99%
Hawthorn	89%
Acacia	97%
Sycamore	99%
Magnolia	97%
Mahogany	95%

No classes achieved 100% attendance this week—Hazel class so close!

Letters home this week



Y6	Moat Mount Parent Permission/Medical Questionnaire & Photo permission
Y5	Mr Bradwell leaving



TEA WITH THE HEAD



The children invited to Tea with the Head were:

Pine	Ishaq
Silver Birch	Younes
Maple	Chloe
Chestnut	Elias
Palm	Enrico
Redwood	Xhansu
Cedar	Sam
Hawthorn	Avesta
Hazel	Asma
Sycamore	Kristella
Mahogany	Philip
Magnolia	Saba

Congratulations!

Nursery

This week we started our new topic, On the Beach. We have been learning some facts about water including how different water toys work. We are becoming increasingly confident at sharing new facts with our friends. Our focus story is Barry the Fish with Fingers by Sue Hendra. This is a story about a fish who steals the limelight and makes his friend very jealous.

We have enjoyed creating a range of 2D creatures and under the sea pictures by combining materials in different ways. We have been learning the names of different sea creatures and describing them. In maths, we enjoyed measuring and comparing the length of different sea creatures using non-standard manipulatives. In phonics, we have been practising segmenting and blending the sounds in cvc words. In PE we have been practising moving like a starfish, whale and octopus. We have been using our imaginations while developing different movement sequences. Please continue to support your child with completing their home learning activities and learning their fridge words on Tapestry. We would love to see more evidence of home learning on Tapestry. Please continue to check Tapestry regularly to view your child's progress and latest achievements.

The Nursery Team

Reception

This week in Reception the children have enjoyed the warm weather, playing in the sand pit and a lot of games outdoors. In English the children made posters, wrote warning labels and rules for the environment. Please talk to the children about the rules, signs and posters you see in the environment, as you walk home or in shops. In maths the children have been learning about subtraction. Please continue to support your child with reading on Bug Club. The adventure continues next week have a lovely weekend.

Year 1

Year 1 have been busy counting this week- counting in 2s, 5s and 10s- why not count along with them? Our fabulous learners have also been labelling diagrams of plants, comparing the Golders Green area from the past and present, investigating what schools were like in the Victorian period and even designing sandwiches! This term has been filled with a variety of food-related learning; we wrote instructions on how to make a fruit salad and even performed a poem called 'A Little Bit of Food' by Joseph Coelho which described food from a variety of cultures! Can you believe that we only have another week left until half term? Wow, how time flies!

Year 2

This week Year 2 have learned about the difference between non-fiction and fiction. They learned how to write a comic strip, some wrote about their everyday lives and some made up stories! In maths, we are continuing to learn about 'telling the time'. Please help them by asking them to tell you the time. In science, the children learned about what animals need to survive in their habitats. In DT, we are continuing with stitching and this week, they learned about embellishment. In RE we learned about the importance of belonging to a community.

Year 3 & 4

Another wonderful week in Year 3/4! We have started our new art project, Mosaic Masters. The children learned all about the history of mosaic art, before going on to create thumbnail sketches of various different real life examples. They are very much looking forward to designing and making their own mosaic tiles next week. In maths, we have been exploring money which will support the children with their financial literacy skills. Please make sure your child is using Times Tables Rock Stars as this will support them very well with their fluency in times tables. They have all been issued with a log in. Have a restful weekend!

Year 5

This week in Year 5 we have been exploring angles. Do you know the difference between obtuse, acute and reflex angles? How many angles can you spot in real life? Why don't you go on a hunt around your home? We found finding acute angles the most challenging! We wonder what you will find. Please do let us know. You can also challenge us to estimate angles -we have all been investigating different approaches and love seeing whose estimate is the closest.

Year 6

Year 6 have started reading the book Goodnight Mr Tom, based on the second world war. The children have been working hard on planning and writing a formal letter from the perspective of a billeting officer, through this, they have also been analysing the features of a formal letter. In maths, we have been engrossed in Nrich maths investigations, which they have found interesting and challenging. The children have also voted for Ali Baba and the Bongo Bandits for this year's production, we are really excited to get cracking on with! We are looking forward to another week of learning.



Stars of the Week

Superstars of the Week

Mariam S, Pine class
Alexandra, Silver Birch class
Hassan, Maple class
Rohaam, Chestnut class
Mia, Palm class
Rama, Redwood class

Certificate of Merit

Ersi, Cedar class
Zahra, Hawthorn class
George, Hazel class
Nevaeh, Sycamore class
Camelia, Mahogany class
Halil, Magnolia class

Reader of the Week

Kabir, Pine class
Iris, Silver Birch class
Alia, Maple class
Nazi, Chestnut class
Mohammed, Palm class
Zain, Redwood class
Deenah, Cedar class
Leila, Hawthorn class
Liba, Hazel class
Maksym, Sycamore class
Dina, Mahogany class
Mayuko, Magnolia class

Well done!