

WESSEX GARDENS PRIMARY & NURSERY SCHOOL

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Newsletter

Summer Term—21st July 2023 (Issue 39)

Welcome to this week's Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers

Another year has flown by!

There have been great successes but also challenges that we have navigated together. I want to express my heartfelt gratitude to the team at Wessex Gardens for all their hard work this year.

We have some staff members leaving us this term, huge thanks to Katalin Kopasz (Y2 teacher), Pooja Raichand (EYFS Teaching Assistant), Dupe Adeogun (EYFS/Y1 Learning Support Assistant), Anasuya Magedaragamage (Y1 Class teacher). We will miss you and thank you for all you have done for our families.

To all our wonderful Y6 and their families leaving us this year, we wish you all the very best as you continue on this journey. We will miss you!

For all the returning families, we are looking forward to another exciting year ahead with lots of excitement and opportunity!

I have set some competition homework for the children. It is all about the value of green spaces in our local area. You have the chance of winning a £20 Brent Cross Voucher! I have sent details in another ping message.... Look out for it.

Have a super summer everyone!

Alexander Banks
Headteacher

Have a great summer!

SCHOOL REMINDERS & INFORMATION

Dates for your diary

06.09.2023 School Reopens
28.09.2023 Nurs-Y6 Flu nasal vaccinations



Attendance % this week

Chestnut	94%
Maple	85%
Palm	90%
Redwood	98%
Cedar	88%
Hazel	97%
Hawthorn	82%
Acacia	89%
Sycamore	95%
Magnolia	95%
Mahogany	90%

No classes achieve 100% attendance this week.



School Closed—Summer Holiday
Monday 24th July —Tuesday 5th September 2023

TERM DATES 2023-2024

AUTUMN TERM 2023

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

SPRING TERM 2024

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

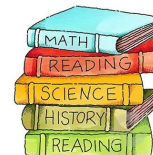
SUMMER TERM 2024

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

Letters home this week



Nurs-Y6 End of Year Reports
Nurs-Y5 Class Information for next year
Rec, Y3, Y4 Class change information
Rec Tapestry download
Nurs-Y5 Pre-ordering school lunches
Nurs-Y6 Public Health, Barnet—Infectious Disease information



Nursery

We are very proud of the progress which all of the children in Nursery have made this year. Many thanks for all of your support with your child's learning. We have enjoyed working in partnership with all of you! The children were very excited about visiting their new class Silver Birch this week and meeting the staff. We would like to wish all of the children good luck with their transition to Reception. Many thanks for all your contributions to our class party. We will miss all of you and wish you an enjoyable holiday.

Goodbye and good luck from the Nursery Team
Love Rachael, Stephanie, Lailuma, Dupe and Pooja xxxxx

Reception

The children enjoyed the transition morning this week where they got to meet their new teachers and saw their new classrooms. The children enjoyed the outdoors despite the weather, they planted some flowers in the playground and enjoyed playing outdoors on the bikes and with the different sporting equipment. Another highlight of the week, which the children thoroughly enjoyed was the end-of-year party on Thursday. We hope you have managed to download some pictures and your child's work from Tapestry and you have seen the books and work that we sent home. Enjoy a relaxing and lovely summer break!

Year 1

Our final week has been one full of fun—making cards, playing games, enjoying eating ice lollies in the sunshine and having parties! Many, many thanks to all the parents who sent so much food and drinks for us all. On Monday, the children got to meet their new teachers; Chestnut will have Mrs Denys next year and Maple will have Miss A. On Tuesday, the children went to the Synagogue and learnt all about Judaism. The rest of the week was pretty relaxing, with lots of tidying! Thank you to all the children for helping out. It has been a pleasure teaching all your children and we wish you all the best for Year 2. Have a wonderful Summer and see you in Year 2!

Year 2

Year 2 have had an exciting last week! Everyone is getting ready for the new term. They met their new teachers and spent some time getting to know them. Year 2 is very excited to be going into Year 3. It is a big transition as they are now going to be in the junior playground. We had a lovely graduation assembly where Year 2 got to sing songs and listen to wonderful speeches. The homework has been sent out. Please find some time to look at it over the break. The Year 2 team would like to thank you for all the support and help during this academic year. We are excited to see the Year 2's progress in their academic journey. Have a fantastic holiday and we look forward to seeing you in September.

Year 3 & 4

It is hard to believe we are nearing the end of this academic year, and what a fantastic year it has been! The children all had the opportunity to meet their new teachers this week; they visited their new classrooms and spent some quality time getting to know each other before the new academic year begins. Our class parties were a huge success. The children enjoyed party food, had lots of fun together and danced their socks off. A huge thank you for supporting the parties by bringing in different food and drinks. The Year 3/4 team would like to say another huge thank you to all of our families for your continued support throughout the year. We are so proud of all of the children and wish them all the very best as they transition into Year 4 and Year 5. Have a wonderful Summer holiday and we look forward to welcoming you back in September!

Year 5

Year 5 have had a wonderful last week! We have had lots of History learning about the ground breaking Greeks and arithmetic practice!
Year 5 children have worked so hard this year and displayed an enormous amount of resilience - they deserve a wonderful and restful summer break (with lots of reading!).
We look forward to seeing the children back in September.

Year 6

Year 6 have had a fantastic last week. The children gave an amazing Leavers Assembly on Tuesday—thank you to all the parents who were able to join us. We enjoyed a lovely picnic and class party. We wish all of Year 6 the very best of luck for their transition to secondary school. Many thanks to all parents for all of your support. Have a wonderful Summer.
Year 6 Team