



WESSEX GARDENS PRIMARY & NURSERY SCHOOL

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Newsletter

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Welcome to this week's Newsletter

Welcomed to our final news letter of this academic year!

We have had such a busy year with lots of amazing successes. We are so proud of all our children and their achievements. As with the end of every year we need to say goodbye and thanks to a number of people.



Goodbyes

Firstly to our amazing Y6. We have loved being part of your education journey and know that you will build on your successes in secondary school. To any families leaving us, we will miss you and wish you the very best.

We are also saying goodbye to a number of staff who have worked so hard with our children, Antonia Alexandrou (Deputy headteacher and inclusion Lead) Asiya Chelhi (EYFS apprentice), Shoynzae Lapite (TA apprentice), Dylan Roberts (Y3 Class teacher), Angel Walters (Y5 class teacher), Samina Baksh (Y5 class teacher), Jess Manning (Learning support assistant) and Sadia Sheikh (Learning Support Assistant). We will miss them and wish them the all the very best.

New Appointments

This year we do not have any new staff members, but some existing members of staff have new responsibilities next year. Our new special educational needs and disabilities coordinator (SENDco) is Mrs Albaidhani (Miss Alba) and Ms Sharif will our acting deputy headteacher.

Non- Uniform Day

On Wednesday we finish at **1:15** and will be having a non-uniform day. Children do not need to bring in any money.

All uniform will be taken home on Tuesday and any left over uniform will be placed on the KS2 playground to be collected. Any items remaining we will select the best items to add to our school supply and recycle the rest.

For September, Please label your child's jumper with their name on the back of the school logo with a permanent marker. I will be asking class teachers to add names to any that haven't been named! I want to avoid the mountain of lost property we inevitably end up with!



Wishing you the most wonderful of summer breaks

Class Parties

23.07.2024 Silver Birch
23.07.2024 2 Palm
23.07.2024 Year 3
23.07.2024 4 Oak
23.07.2024 Year 5



Children to bring in party food/drinks to share (crisps, cakes, biscuits, fruit etc). Children may come to school in their own clothes/party clothes on the day of their class party.

SCHOOL REMINDERS & INFORMATION



Dates for your diary

22.07.2024 Y1 Singing Assembly parents invited 9.10am
22.07.2024 Y1 trip to park Exploratory Park Brent Cross
22.07.2024 Y3 trip to Natural History Museum
24.07.2024 Last day of term—school closes 1.15pm
No After School Club

School will reopen on Wednesday 4th September 2024.

Nursery will reopen on Monday 9th September 2024 for those children returning in September.



Children who sign up for 'Marvellous Makers' can discover amazing stories and explore their creativity by joining in with fun activities at the library.

Children aged 4 to 12 can join in the fun at any Barnet library throughout the summer holidays. Alternatively, they can sign up online and collect their starter pack from their library or have it posted to their home address. Once they are signed up, children need to read 6 books from the library to complete the challenge. It can be any books they like - chapter books, comics or even non-fiction information books.

Please see link below:

[Marvellous Makers!](#)

Letters home this week

Y1 Trip to the park 22.07.24



Attendance % this week

90% Silver Birch
94% Chestnut
97% Maple
93% Palm
97% Redwood
93% Cedar
96% Hazel
98% Hawthorn
97% Oak
94% Acacia
97% Sycamore
91% Magnolia
92% Mahogany

TERM DATES AND HOLIDAYS 2024-2025

AUTUMN TERM 2024

FIRST HALF: Wednesday 4th September – Friday 25th October
HALF TERM HOLIDAY: Monday 28th October – Friday 1st November
SECOND HALF: Monday 4th November – Friday 20th December

SPRING TERM 2025

FIRST HALF: Monday 6th January – Friday 14th February
HALF TERM HOLIDAY: Monday 17th February – Friday 21st February
SECOND HALF: Monday 24th February – Friday 4th April

SUMMER TERM 2025

FIRST HALF: Tuesday 22nd April – Friday 23rd May
MAY DAY: Monday 5th May
HALF TERM HOLIDAY: Monday 26th May – Friday 30th May
SECOND HALF: Tuesday 3rd June – Friday 18th July

Nursery

We've had another exciting week in Nursery! We have enjoyed sharing our favourite stories and are demonstrating a good awareness of how different stories are structured. We have been joining in with familiar number rhymes with lots of enthusiasm! We have been developing our own very unique dancing styles and are learning how to play musical statues and musical bumps. We have enjoyed creating cards and pictures for our friends this week. We've had so much fun outdoors playing team games such as football and basketball with our peers and familiar adults.
Have a lovely weekend!
The Nursery Team

Reception

What a wonderful week in Silver Birch. The children had great fun visiting their new class, they will be in Chestnut class next year. We have created some books all about us to share with their new teacher, which really shows off their writing skills. They were incredible in their class assembly on Wednesday. The whole team are so proud of them. We enjoyed watching the Key Stage One football match on Thursday. It was very exciting. We hope you all have a wonderful weekend and see you on Monday. Remember to read on Bug Club!

Year 1

What a wonderful week we've had in Year 1! The children have been buzzing with excitement as they met their new teachers and visited their new classrooms in preparation for Year 2. A big round of applause to all the children for their participation and sportsmanship during the Henry Cup! Their energy and team spirit were truly commendable, making the event a memorable success. We also had a fantastic class party this week. The children had a great time, and it wouldn't have been possible without your generous food contributions. Thank you so much for your support! In English, we've been exploring the world of poetry through 'The Magic Box'. The children have been busy crafting their own poems, filled with beautiful memories from Year 1. Wishing you all a lovely weekend!

Year 2

It has been another week of work and fun activities in Year 2. In English, we were creating an imaginative poem called "In My Magic Box" about a good memory this year. In maths, we completed the curriculum for Y2 and we spent some time on consolidating our knowledge about addition and subtraction with exchange (53-38, 47+28). We sent home all the reading and maths tests that have been completed throughout the year, so please have a look at them with your children, and try to correct the mistakes and consolidate that knowledge together. On Thursday we had a fun art session with a professional potter (ceramic artist). Everyone had a fantastic opportunity to create a lion out of clay. The girls team from Palm class and boys team from Redwood class won their matches in the Wessex Henry Cup football finals against the teams from Chestnut class. Well done to all pupils for their determination and teamwork. Everyone had a great time on our trip to the park and enjoyed the picnic and the lovely weather. The children in Palm class can come to school in their own clothes on Tuesday 23rd July for their class party, please bring a treat to share and eat that day. Thank you parents/carers for all your support and understanding this year! We have really enjoyed teaching you, children they are all unique and amazing!

Year 3

Our last full week! We have completed all the math topics and are now consolidating learning from the year while in English we are completing our diary entries from the perspective of 'the little girl who made some mistakes.' For our land use topic we have been looking at old and new Brent Cross and focusing on the regeneration of our city. In PSHE we have covered our SRE subjects. Next Monday 22nd, we will be on our way to the Natural History Museum for an exciting workshop. Tuesday 23rd, we will be heading over to Brent Cross West Park for a final play in the park and in the afternoon we will come back and have our class party (please will each child bring a food/drink item to share with their class). On Wednesday we bid you a lovely goodbye. The Year 3 team have truly had the most wonderful year where we have witnessed so many developments, growth, learning and happy moments and we are so happy we were a part of your children's journey. We thank you for taking this journey with us. We bid our amazing Mr Roberts a farewell and thank him for his amazing contributions to both classes. The kids have loved your assemblies and I'm sure the parents will join me in thanking wishing Mr Robert the best of luck in all you do. Have a lovely relaxing holiday! We will miss you all and cannot wait to see your journey in Year 4!

Year 4

Year 4 had a wonderful time at Regents Park this week. We enjoyed looking for minibeasts in different habitats and doing a variety of practical investigations. It was also KS2's much anticipated Sports Day this week! We worked well as a team and showed excellent sportsmanship. We even entered the finals of the Henry Cup - our teachers are exceptionally proud of our efforts! Probably the most exciting part of this week was 'class swap' day when we met our new teacher and saw our new classroom. What an exciting penultimate week at Wessex!

Year 5

What a year this has been for the Year 5s! They have been saying, how quick this year has gone. I think that means that they have had a lot of fun in their learning. Looking back on the Year 5s, they have totally grown and matured in a lot of ways. They have become more independent in their learning, with leading on sorting out groups, with whom will be narrator, scribes etc. They have planned assemblies for their parents/carers. This has shown maturity in taking the lead with their learning and knowing that they will be listened to. The Year 5s, have really enjoyed the science curriculum, as they have made many things which has expanded their learning - there are definite scientist in the making in this year group. PE and Spanish have definitely been a hit this year. The students have learnt so much within these two subjects, that they always reference them when they write about what subjects they have enjoyed that week. This year group has been such a joy to teach, that they have always approached all subjects, willing to learn, and engage with enthusiasm. This has totally paid off, as they have matured and advanced in a lot of their subjects. Its goodbye to Year 5 and welcome to Year 6 - it has been a great journey. Enjoy the 6 weeks holiday, and come back with the same momentum and enthusiasm for your learning. Take care Year 5s - we will both miss you.
Miss Baksh and Miss Walters

Year 6

Year 6 have really enjoyed their last full week at primary school. We had a wonderful time at Sports Day on Wednesday at Basing Hill Park. It was really lovely to see the children cheering each other on and making the most of the opportunity. We spent some time with Silver Birch class on Thursday, running several different sports activities with them. Silver Birch had so much fun and were very appreciative! We look forward to next week as we make some more memories together. Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.



TREAT FROM THE CHEST



The children invited to take a treat from the chest were:

Silver Birch	Layan
Maple	Rania
Chestnut	Ola
Palm	Ali
Redwood	Darlene
Cedar	Jalil
Hazel	Ethan
Oak	Reagan
Hawthorn	Jana
Acacia	Adonis
Sycamore	Hussain
Mahogany	Raissa
Magnolia	Max

Congratulations!

Stars of the Week



Superstars of the Week

Sultan, Silver Birch class
Sofia, Maple class
Aron, Chestnut class
Palm Class
Ines, Redwood class

Certificate of Merit

Cedar class
Amarni, Hazel class
Shae, Oak class
Hawthorn class
Acacia class
Stacy, Sycamore class
Mahogany class
Magnolia class

Reader of the Week

Arkham, Silver Birch class

Excellent Presentation Award

Kabir, Maple class
Lamar, Chestnut class
Qudos, Palm class
Redwood class
Mia, Cedar class
Nataliia, Hazel
Lewis, Oak
Erika, Hawthorn
Anik, Acacia
Nour, Sycamore
Sadiyah, Mahogany
Dennis, Magnolia