

WESTWOOD NEWS Summer 2 2022



Dear Families,

Well what a wonderful year we have had in school and we continue to go from strength to strength. Our KS2, KSI results and our Ofsted visitors this year only confirmed to us what we already knew—Westwood children really are phenomenal!

Our children have had so many amazing learning opportunities and have created so many memories along the way! The Lion King trip in Year 5 and 6, beach trips for Years 3 and 4, a day out to Pets Corner and Oulton Broad park for Year I and 2 and a lots of visitors for our Early Years children are just a few of the learning events for the children that we have crammed into a busy summer term. Our newsletter outlines even more experiences out children have had.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Barrett, Miss Saunders and Miss Zawada who leave us this term to move on to pastures new. We wish them every success in their new roles and of course 'Once Westwood, Always Westwood'. Also the lovely Miss Lark leaves us to start her maternity leave but we will see her again in the new year.

Once again, thank you for your continued support of our school, it really is our pleasure teaching your children and working with our local community.

We are so Proud to be Westwood!

Enjoy the half term break and we look forward to welcoming the children back on

Monday 5th September

Mrs Aldous & Ms Creed





Nursery & Reception

Nursery

Our topic this term in Nursery was 'Oh I do Like to be Beside the Seaside' where we have talked lots about our local seaside Lowestoft and how to keep safe at the beach.

We found the sea safety talk by RNLI very helpful and we understand as we move into the summer season it is important to regularly apply sun cream, keep hydrated and wear the appropriate clothes as the weather gets hotter.



As a class we also shared stories that looked at the different creatures that live in the sea and discussed the importance of recycling to look after the world we live in and keep our oceans clean.











Reception

This half term in Reception we have been looking at the topic "Oh I do like to be beside the seaside". During this, the children were sent a postcard showing a picture of Lowestoft beach, from this the children then created their own postcards using their phonics sounds.

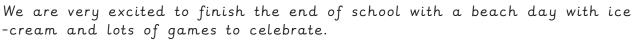


We had a visit from the RNLI learning about the importance of being safe at the beach, this led to the children learning about body parts and which parts are private.





We really enjoyed our first sports day, a colour run and a parent share with our families.











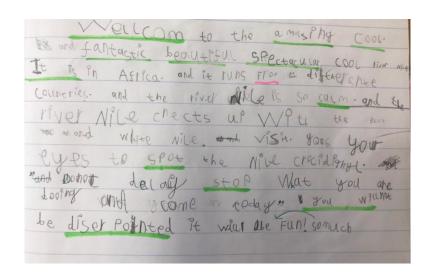




Years 1 & 2

This half term, in Key Stage I, we have been learning all about the Wonders of the world. We have learnt about rivers, mountains and structures. We have written persuasive texts on The river Nile and The Taj Mahal.





We enjoyed a trip to Oulton broad mini zoo and exploring habitats in Everitts park to enrich our Science learning.





We have been making the most of our last half term together enjoying lots of special events including sports shares and drama workshops.







Years 3 & 4

What a wonderful way to end the year. Year 3 and 4 have spent their final topic learning all about Coasts. We kicked off the topic with a trip to the beach to carry out our Geography fieldwork. We also had a talk from the RNLI telling us all about how to keep ourselves safe around the water.





As part of our Religion and World Views learning we also visited St Mark's church to look at how they perform baptisms. We had a great afternoon making notes and sketches.



Finally, our Year 3 ukulele lessons culminated in a final performance at London Road Baptist Church. They performed with a variety of other schools, including our friends at Grove. Well done to all for putting such hard work into the ukuleles this year.







Wishing you all a fantastic summer and see you in September!

Years 5 and 6



Geography Fieldwork walk

Our Geography unit this half term has been all about our local area. Part of our learning involved a fieldwork walk from



school to the beach to investigate different elements of our town, including; local housing, various amenities, gauging the community spirit and what the future looks like.

Sizewell B visit

Last month, the Year 6 pupils had the opportunity to visit Sizewell B Visitor Centre. The children had such an interesting day learning all about how to save energy and finding out more about the work that is carried out at Sizewell.



The Lion King

What a fantastic visit we had in London to watch The Lion King! The children absolutely loved being in London and seeing some iconic landmarks in real life. The musical was outstanding and the children thoroughly enjoyed the acting, singing and wonderful staging. It was certainly worth the wait.





The Year 6 beach visit, leavers BBQ and final assembly

The Year 6 pupils have had a wonderful final few days together at Westwood. They had a great time playing together at the beach. They thoroughly enjoyed their Leavers BBQ event and infamous water fight (just what was needed in that heat!) Finally, we celebrated each and every one of them during their final assembly, The play they performed to us all and their singing was fabulous. We are so incredibly proud of this super cohort and wish them every success at high school. The class of 2022; we will miss you!







Sporting Success

ALT Tournaments

In late June, the year 6 Football teams competed in the Terry Butcher Cup. Both teams played some amazing football and showed great sportsmanship all afternoon!





The year 6 Quadkids team finished 4th at the North Suffolk Sport & Health Partnership event and medals to Lacey for the quickest 300m on the day and 3 medals for Connor who jumped the furthest, the most speed bounces and threw the Vortex the furthest

The KSI Skittleball teams took part in the ALT event and the A team finished 5th overall and the B team finished 4th. Special mention to all of the children in which it was their first event for Westwood!



A huge thank you to Red Oak and Mr Lee who have organised and hosted our ALT tournaments this year.

Sports Share

This term, each class held a Sports Share afternoon where parents were invited in to take part in different sporting activities alongside their children. They were so well attended and the feedback from children and parents was incredibly positive.

Diary Dates

Thursday 1st and Friday 2nd	PD days—SEND school tours (please email Kate Grey for an appointment)	
Monday 5th September	Children return to school	
Monday 12th—Friday 16th September	Book Fayre	
Monday 29th September	School Photos	
Thursday 6th October	Year 6 touring theatre visit	
Tuesday 18th October	SEND café	
Friday 21st October	Last day of Autumn I term	
Monday 24th—Friday 28th October	Half term	
Monday 31st October	First day back of Autumn 2 term	

HOUSE POINTS

The totals for this half term are:

Sapphire - 1160

Ruby - 1006

Emerald - 912

Diamond - 888

Congratulations Sapphire!

ATTENDANCE.

This term, Year
I and Year 5
have both been
awarded with
breakfasts for
winning the
weekly
attendance
race 3 times!



READING

The reading tubes are bursting—thank you to all of the parents and adults who are listening to children read daily at home and encouraging that love of books and literacy.

Lowestoft Library has a reading challenge for the summer holidays, why not get involved to keep up the reading in the holidays?

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

We have had a fantastic range of lunchtime and after school clubs available for the children to enjoy this half term:

Day	Breakfast 8.00am - 8.30am	Lunch 12pm - 1pm	After School 3.15pm - 4.15pm
M onday	Dodgeball Years 4, 5 & 6	12 -12.30 - Football Years 4, 5 and 6 12.30 - 1 - Football - Years 1, 2 and 3	Disney Club - Miss Lynes - Years R, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 Art (First Light Festival) - Miss Clark Years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 DT (First Light Festival) - Mrs Gee & Miss Willeard Years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 Computing/Coding - Mrs Barrett - Years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 Chickens - Miss Bow & Mrs Eccleston - Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 Football - Years 4, 5 & 6
Tuesday	Uni-Hoc Years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6	12-00 - 12:30 - Mindfulness - Mrs Barrett - Years 4,5 & 6 12 - 12:30 - Football Years 4,5 and 6 12:30 - 1 - Football - Years 1, 2 and 3	Board Games - Miss Thompson - Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 Journalling - Mrs Barrett - Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 Cricket - Years 4, 5 & 6
Wednesday	Matball/Benchball Years 3, 4, 5 & 6	12:00 - 12:30 - Mindfulness - Mrs Barrett - Years 4,5 & 6 12 -12:30 - Cricket Years 4, 5 and 6 12:30 - 1 - Football - Years 1, 2 and 3	Chickens - Miss Bow & Mrs Eccleston - Years R, 1 & 2 Gardening - Mrs Barrett - Years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 Multi-Sports - Years R, 1, 2, 3 & 4
Thursday	Indoor Cricket Years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6	12:30 - 13:00 - Mindfulness - Mrs Barrett - Years 1, 2,& 3 12-1 - Ukulele - Mr Syed - Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 12 - 12:30 - Girls Football 12:30 - 1 - Football - Years 1&2	Skipping/Dance - Miss Gardener - Years 1 & 2 Film - Mrs Barrett - Years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 Tag Rugby - Mr Taylor - Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 Explorers - Mr Moore - Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 Tennis/Cricket/Rounders - Years R, 1, 2 & 3 Rock Choir - Mr Syed - Years 1, 2, 3 & 4
Friday	Football Years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6	12:00 - 12:30 - Coding - Miss Bircham - Years 4, 5 & 6 12 -12:30 - Basketball Challenges! 12:30 - 1 - Football - Years 1, 2 and 3	

We will send out our Autumn club offer via Parentmail in the first week back.

WEBSITE

Please keep an eye on the school website as we update this regularly.
The address is: www.westwoodprimary.org
You can also follow us on:



Twitter: @Westwood School



Facebook: Westwood Primary School



Instagram: westwoodprimary

ALLERGY INFORMATION

As you will already be aware, we are a nut-free school - we have children who have allergies to a variety of different nuts as well as peanuts—and ask that parents check the ingredients of items in packed lunches, avoiding anything that states it contains nuts.

CONTACT DETAILS

Please ensure we have your up to date contact details. This includes current address and telephone numbers.



We MUST have two contact telephone numbers in case of an emergency.

PARENTMAIL

Please ensure you sign up to ParentMail, this is how you will receive ALL means of communication.



Please speak to the school office, if you have any problems - paper copies may be available upon request.



SEND News



Summer 2022

Transition

Moving to a new year group or a new school is a very challenging time for children. It can cause a lot of anxiety and stress at home. In school we work hard to prepare pupils for changes and here are some ways you can support your

Young minds website offers some useful tips and videos around transition. https://www.youngminds.org.uk/professional/resources/supporting-school-transitions/ Also take a look at the BBC Newsround website for supporting your child on transitioning to Secondary schools. https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/61996224



This useful parent quide is available on the Young Minds website.

Educational Health Care Plans (Information available from the Suffolk Sendiass website)

What is an EHC plan?

An Education Health and Care (EHC) plan is a legal document written by the local authority and is used for children and young people with high support needs that cannot be met by the support that is usually available at their school. They describe a child's special educational needs (SEN) and the help they will get to meet them.

Does an EHC plan come with any funding attached?

Funding is separate from the EHC process. For children and young people with high support needs, the allocation of additional funding is available whether or not they have an EHC plan.

What is an EHC needs assessment?

An Education, Health and Care (EHC) needs assessment is the first step in the EHC process. When the local authority decides an EHC needs assessment is necessary they gather advice from families, and practitioners across Education, Health and Social care, to determine a child or young person's needs and the provision that is required to support them. However, requesting assessment will not necessarily result in securing an Education, Health and Care plan.

Does a child or young person need a diagnosis to get an EHC plan?

A diagnosis is not required to secure an EHC plan. It is about the identified needs and whether these needs can only be met with an EHC plan. Some children and young people with an EHC plan will have a diagnosis and some won't.

For further information please visit—https://suffolksendiass.co.uk/education-health-care-needs-assessments-and -plans/



Safeguarding and Mental Health



Who to contact if you have a concern about a child:

If you are worried about a child's safety please contact one of our Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSL)

Immediately.

Mrs Chloe Kippen or Miss Natalie Taylor
Safeguarding Lead & Pastoral Support Worker
Emails: ckippen@westwoodprimary.org
ntaylor@westwoodprimary.org



FISH-Food in School Holidays

Summer is fast approaching and F.I.S.H are providing **FREE** hot meals to families through the Holidays.

They provide the hot, 2 course meal for the whole family, not just the child.

Please head to: https://www.facebook.com/
Lowestoftfish to see the venues across town that our serving the community.

Please private message on the Facebook site to book your place.



PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) DURING THE 6 WEEKS SUMMER HOLIDAYS 2022

COURTESY OF MONEY SAVING CENTRAL



ASDA CAFE

Kids eat for £1 all day, every day with no adult spend from 25th July - 4th Sept 2022

FUTURE INNS

Under 12's eat for free with any adult meal during the school holidays

TABLE TABLE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

YO! SUSHI

Kid's eat free from 3pm-5.30pm, Monday to Thursday until 1st September 2022

THE REAL GREEK

Kids eat FREE every Sunday for every £10 spent by an adult

SIZZLING PUBS

Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm, kids' mains are £1 with every adult meal.

BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM

From June 27th kids get 1 mini main, 2 snacks & a drink FREE with every £4 spend

MARKS & SPENCER CAFE

Likely But Not Yet Announced

WHITBREAD INNS

Two kids under 16 eat for FREE with every adult breakfast purchased

MORRISONS

Spend £4.99 after 3pm daily & get one free kids meal (usually all day during half term)

HUNGRY HORSE

Kids eat breakfast free with every adult breakfast, daily from 9am - 12pm.

BELLA ITALIA

Children eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid 4-6pm Monday to Thursday

CAFE ROUGE

Kids eat for £1 when you order one adult's main meal. Excludes Saturdays

SA BRAINS PUBS

Children can eat for £1 with any adult main. Only valid Wednesdays but on all day

ANGUS STEAKHOUSE

One free children's meal per paid adult meal 12-5pm daily throughout the holidays

PRETO

Kids up to age 10 eat free all day, every day with paying adults at Preto

FARMHOUSE INNS

Likely But Not Yet Announced

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Go Wilds

Summer activities at Carlton Marshes

Families

Wild Tots- Tuesdays, 10.30am-12.00pm, £5.50 a child, 18months-5yrs

Wild Babies - Tuesdays, 1.30pm-2.45pm, £5.50 a child, 3-18 months

Experience nature- Thursdays, 10.30am-12.30pm, £5 child (5+), £3 adult

Drop-in dyke dipping— Sundays or Mondays, 10.00am-3.00pm, £2 child. Eco-Action club— Sat, 23rd Jul & 27th Aug, 1.30pm-3.30pm, £5 Child (5+), £3 adult.

Children

Summer Fun - Wednesdays, 10.30am-2.30pm, £10 child, 6-11 yrs

Holiday Club— Fridays, 9.00am-3.30pm, £25 child (inc lunch), 6-11 yrs (including HAF-funded places for children in receipt of free school meals.)

Weekend Wildlife Club— Sat 13th Aug, 10.30am-12.30pm, £5 child, 6-11 yrs.

Teens

Young Wardens- Sat 23rd Jul & 27th Aug, 10.00am-12.00pm, £5, 11-16 years.

Arts Award Discover- Mon 1st Aug, 10am-4.00pm, £25, 13-16 years.

For more information and bookings, please visit our website





Safeguarding and Mental Health News continued



Local Summer Activities!

Dinky Town - Play Centre



1.Monday 1st August 9:30-ilam 2.Monday 1st August 1:2:30 pm 3.Wednesday 3rd August 1:2:30 pm 5.Friday 5th August 9:30-ilam 6.Friday 5th August 9:30-ilam 6.Friday 5th August 9:30-ilam 7.Monday 6th August 9:30-ilam 8.Monday 6th August 9:30-ilam 9.Wednesday 10th August 1:2:30 pm 11.Friday 12th August 9:30-ilam 12.Friday 12th August 9:30-ilam 12.Friday 12th August 1-2:30 pm 13.Monday 15th August 1-2:30 pm 14.Monday 15th August 1-2:30 pm 15.Wednesday 17th August 1-2:30 pm 15.Friday 19th August 1-2:30 pm 12.Friday 19th August 1-2:30 pm 19.Monday 22nd August 1-3:30 pm 19.Monday 22nd August 1-3:30 pm 12.Mednesday 24th August 1-3:30 pm 22.Friday 24th August 1-3:30 pm 24.Monday 29th August 1-3:30 pm 24.Monday 29th August 1-3:30 pm 24.Monday 29th August 1-3:30 pm 25.Wednesday 13tt 1-4 gust 19:30 pm 26.Friday 2nd September 1-2:30 pm 27.Friday 2nd September 1-2:30 pm 12.Friday 12th August 1-2:30pm

1The Limes
2.Northfield
3.Grove Primary
4.St. Mary's
5.Gunton Primary Academy
6.Phoenix S1. Peter Academy
7.Ashley School
ö.Kessingland Primary
9.Woods Loke
10.Blundeston
11.Corton Primary
12.Beccles Primary Academy
13.The Popplars
14.Albert Pye Community Primary
15.St. Margaret's
16.Worlingham CEVC Primary 16.Worlingham CEVC Primary 17.Oulton Broad Nursery & Primary 18.St. Benets Catholic Primary 19.Dell 20.Gillingham St. Michael's 21.Elm Tree Primary

£6.50 per child admission 21.Elm Tree Primary
22.Westwood
23.Red Oak
24.Roman Hill
25.Carlton Colville Primary
26.Pakefield Primary
27.Somerleyton Primary



Stay safe online during the Summer

NEW Snapchat update - MEET UP!



We have received information from safeguarding services around a new feature found in popular app Snapchat.

This feature allows users to obtain directions to another user's exact location and address. Snapchat's newest feature adds an extra layer to their existing Snap Map feature by allowing users to get directions to their friend's exact location. It pairs with



Apple Maps and Google Maps apps, which show how long it would take someone to walk, drive, or use public transport to reach the address. Essentially - with the click of a few buttons, anyone is able to gain access to your workplace, school, or home address and the fastest route to get there.

'Meet Up' is accessed by visiting a user's profile to look at their location on Snap Map (a feature that is on by default). Once on the map, a user can access Meet Up by pressing the user's Bitmoji (a cartoon version of the user that appears on their live location on the map) and choosing directions from either Apple or Google Maps.

The 'Meet Up' feature does increase the risk of unsolicited house calls from online 'friends', loss of personal information, and potential exposure to in-person harassment.

For more information and tips on how to protect your children from this feature please click here: Safequarding Alert-Snapchat Meet Up

People who can help

In addition to your child's class teacher, who should always be your first point of contact, the following people are readily available to help you with any issue, if needed.



Mrs Rae Aldous Executive Headteacher



Ms Louise Creed Executive Head of School



Mrs Jackie Cutchey Chair of Governors



Mrs Danielle Gillings Assistant Headteacher EYFS Lead



Mrs Kate Grey Assistant Headteacher SENDCo



Miss Beth Jones Assistant Headteacher KSI Lead



Mrs Rachel Kounnas Assistant Headteacher LKS2 Lead



Mrs Kelly Hough Assistant Headteacher UKS2 Lead



Mrs Sarah Bayfield SENDCo



Ms Natalie TaylorParent and Pupil
Support Advisor



Miss Chloe Mansi Parent and Pupil Support Advisor



Mr Stephen Clarke Safeguarding Governor