# WESTWOOD NEWS



# May 2017

# Message from Mrs Aldous

Dear families,

Once again, there has been lots of amazing learning taking part in school. In particular, we have an amazing art display in the school hall. Which all classes have contributed towards. Later this term we will be holding an Art Exhibition in the school hall which will be a great opportunity to celebrate our multitude of fantastic artists.



















With the summer finally upon us, may I request that you send your child with suntan lotion and a hat (they can keep both in school). During the summer months we take full advantage of our outdoor learning spaces. Similarly, there are more opportunities to take part in outdoor PE so good quality footwear for this is essential.

Later this term we will be holding our Summer Fete. This was extremely successful last year and lots of money was raised which we used to fund school trips. We are currently looking for businesses to donate raffle prizes so please get in touch with the school office or Miss Bugden if you may be able to help with this. Closer to the time we will be requesting other good quality raffle prizes as well as items for the tombola. Please start to bring things in to the school office in your own time.

Don't forget to take a look at the diary section as there are LOTS on over the next couple of months. Thank you for your continued support and as always, do not hesitate to pop in and see me or one of the team at any time.

Kind Regards

Rae Aldous

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### Nursery

We have had a busy few weeks in nursery, continuing our learning about shapes and numbers. The children were really excited about our superhero visit and are enjoying playing in our new superhero role-play. A big thank you to everyone who

came to our pirate themed family cafe the children thoroughly enjoyed it and



hopefully parents did too!

### Year 2

What a busy half term we have had in year 2! The children have thoroughly enjoyed their castle topic and the trip to Framlingham and Orford allowed the children to compare two very different castles as well as find out the answers to some questions they had been wondering about this term! The children are currently writing tales of fear in class and we have been so impressed with their vocabulary choices. We will post some stories on the school website over the next few weeks! A huge well done to the children for increasing their reading at home; we now have most children reading every night! Well done everyone!

### Reception

We have had another busy month in Reception. The children developed their creative minds when they found a mystery egg in their reception garden. In maths the children have enjoyed exploring doubling, halving and sharing. In Literacy the children have been fantastic, writing their instruction on how to plant a seed. Well done Reception!!

The reception class are now the proud owner of a Fish, named 'Mango' we have produced rules on how to care and look after our class pet.

A big thankyou to our reception families for attending another wonderful; family café. It is so lovely to see so many of you.





### Year |

Inspired by Miss Hindes doing the Moonwalk Marathon Year I decided to plan and do a class mini marathon. We planned and then made medals, hats, route maps, sponsorship forms and walker numbers. We found out there are 1609 metres in one mile! We then worked out that we needed to walk round our school hall 40 times to do 1 mile. We all felt very proud after we completed our mini marathon and wore our medals with pride.







## <u>Year 3 & Year 4</u>

This week year 3 and 4 took part in a Roman and Greek day which was filled with some very exciting activities. The children enjoyed cooking homemade pizza, humus and trying olives and flatbreads. They learnt how to read and write with Roman numerals and other fun Greek and Roman activities. In the afternoon we all took part in a Greek Olympics and a traditional banquet. We all learnt from each other and loved dressing up for the day.

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### <u>Year 5</u>

Year 5 had a fantastic time at Gressenhall Farm and Workhouse experiencing life as a Victorian child: cooking & washing in the farm house, picking stones from the fields, arriving at the workhouse and taking part in a typical lesson in a Victorian school. They all looked super in their Victorian costumes and some even had their lunch wrapped in brown paper and string! Thank you to all families for your support. Here are a couple of the photos from the day, the rest are on our school Facebook page.





### Year 6

First of all we would like to congratulate our students on how well they handled the recent SATs tests. Every morning the children arrived bright and early and with confidence in their own abilities; we are so proud of each and every one of them. We have recently started our Tudor topic and the children have recreated the Battle of Bosworth. The children have also collaborated to produce stunning collages for our new display. Transition work with high schools has begun and this week the children visited Pakefield High to make and test water rockets! EPA are visiting after half term with their transition ambassadors and we are planning more exciting

activities to prepare our students for their next school.



## Reading Challenge Leader Board

Year 6; 9 tubes

Year 5; 10 tubes

Year 4; 7 tubes

Year 3; 8 tubes

Year 2; 7 tubes

Year 1; 5 tubes

Reception; 7 tubes

Nursery; 5 tubes

# We would be very grateful for any donations of raffle and tombola prizes for our

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aonations of raggle an tombola prizes for our School Fayre which is on Friday 7th July.

# Junior Road Safety

JRSO's have had their last meeting. They will be travelling to Ipswich very soon to see what award they will be given for all their hard work!!

### <u>Sports News</u>

Well done to the Year 3 children who took park in a Kwik Cricket
Tournament at East
Point Academy last
week. They did
'Westwood' very proud.

### Pupil and Parent Support Advisor.

Mrs Dawn Williams is our Pupil and Parent Support Advisor and is available to speak to parents, carers and families on a daily basis. She is very experienced and can provide advice on a range of different parent and family matters. If you need any help, advice or just a listening ear, please contact her through the school office.

### SCHOOL PLACES

We have places available in Year 2 and have a waiting list for children for our Nursery who are not quite old enough at present. Please spread the word to friends, family and neighbours.

#### CONTACT DETAILS

Please ensure we have your up to date contact details. This includes current address and telephone numbers.
We often contact parents by text.



#### WEBSITE

Please keep an eye on the school website.

The address is: www.westwoodprimary.org

You can also follow us:

Twitter: @Westwood

School

Facebook: Westwood Primary School



### PE Kit

Please ensure your child has, in school every day, the following PE kit:

- Black shorts
- White T Shirt
- Trainers
- Sweatshirt/Jogging Bottoms (optional)

Please ensure all items are named.



### Arriving at School

The school doors are unlocked at 8.30am. From this time you may bring or send your child into their classroom. Teachers will be waiting for the children in the classroom from 8.30am where learning activities will be take place. (8.45am for Nursery and Reception children)

Please do not hesitate to come into the classroom to speak to your child's teacher at the beginning or end of the school day.

We have a breakfast club available from 8.00am every morning at a cost of £1.50 per day.

#### LOST PROPERTY

Please ensure you have labelled your child's school uniform. It is much easier to find the owners and return items quickly if they are labelled.

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### School Uniform



We have a strict School Uniform Policy. Please ensure your child is dressed in the following named school uniform:



#### Bous

- \* Black tailored trousers or shorts (no jogging bottoms etc.)
- \* White polo shirt
- \* Westwood Primary School Sweatshirt with logo
- \* grey,/black/navy socks
- \* Black shoes (No trainers)
- \* School Book Bag

#### Girls

- \* Black tailored dress, skirt or trousers
- \* Purple checked summer dress
- \* White polo shirt
- \* Westwood Primary School Sweatshirt
- \* Westwood Primary School Cardigan
- \* grey/black tights or white socks
- \* Black shoes (No trainers or boots)
- \* School Book Bag
- For further information about school uniform requirements please contact the school office.
- Sweatshirts/Cardigans/Book Bags/PE Bags/Water Bottles are available from the school office.
- School uniform bursaries will be given at the discretion of the Headteacher

# <u>Diary Dates</u> There will be more events taking place and we will let you know as soon as possible.

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