

WPA's Newsletter

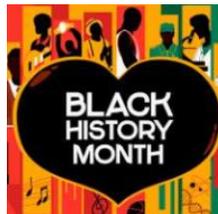
Principal: Mrs Robinson

11th October 2024

Dear WPA parents and carers,

We have had another fabulous week in school, filled with exciting learning opportunities, teamwork and fun. We have continued to explore the theme of kindness, tolerance and compassion in our assemblies and to develop our understanding of the needs of others. Our new house points and class stars schemes are now well embedded across the school and staff love awarding points to children we spot demonstrating our school values. Pupils had their individual photos taken on Tuesday. It was brilliant to see all of our lovely pupils giving the photographer their best cheesy grins and to see how well older pupils looked after their younger brothers and sisters for the sibling portraits. We are sure you will love the results!

October is Black History Month. We will celebrate the contributions of Black people to British Society and particularly focus on the achievements of pioneering Black women who have blazed a trail for others.



Key Dates for the remainder of this half term (see full calendar below)

| Date | Who? | Event |
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| October 10 th | Parents of SEND pupils | SEND coffee morning - a chance to meet the SENDCO and other parents of pupils with SEND, 8.45am |
| October 12 th | Everyone | Kingsgrove Community art workshop and barn dance |
| October 16 th | Reception – Year 6 | October Flu Immunisation |
| October 17 th | SEND parents | SEND Coffee Morning |
| October 15 th 8:50 – 9:20 | KS1 (Years 1 and 2) | Harvest festival assembly and classroom learning exhibitions – |
| October 16 th 8:50 – 9:20 | KS2 (Years 3,4,5,6) | Harvest festival assembly and classroom learning exhibitions – |
| October 16 th 3pm | Reception | Open afternoon visits - a chance for parents to see children's learning and books. 3pm – 3:25pm |
| October 24 th | Year 3 pupils | Stone Age to Iron Age workshop |
| October 25 th | All pupils | End of term. Normal times of day |

Reminder- Communicating with school:

Please see your child's teacher in the first instance to discuss low level concerns. If you feel you need a longer meeting or support from our Family Support Worker, please email the office so that it can be directed to the appropriate member of staff. office@wantageprimaryacademy.org.

SEND Coffee Morning

Due to unforeseen circumstances, we have sadly had to postpone tomorrow's SEND coffee morning. The event will now take place on Thursday 17th October at 8:45. The event is a chance for parents to speak with our SENCO and Inclusion Lead, Sarah Gladwin, and to meet other parents of pupils with SEND, sharing experiences, advice and ideas and to be signposted to additional support. We look forward to seeing lots of you there!



Reminders:

Photos:

The children had their photos taken this week. Look out for the proofs which will be sent home toady.

You can then order prints online and these will be sent home with your children. We hope you will love these special momentos of their school years.



Name labels:

Lost Property



We have lots of parents looking for mislaid uniform each day. Lost property is kept in the main entrance lobby so please do ask to come and have a rummage through if you have lost any items. Please also ensure that your children's uniform, lunchboxes and water bottles are clearly labelled with their name so that we can return them to their owners should they go missing.

Flu Immunisations:

A reminder that children (with parental consent) will be receiving their flu spray vaccinations on Wednesday 16th October.



Harvest Festival Assembly and Open Afternoon Visits:

KS1 and 2 parents and carers are warmly invited to celebrate Harvest Festival with us at our assembly and classroom learning exhibitions. The KS1 event is on Tuesday 15th October at 8:50 and the KS2 event is on Wednesday 16th at the same time.

We would also like to invite Reception parents to visit their child's classroom and celebrate their wonderful work with them at 3pm on Wednesday 16th.



Next Week's Learning:

Here is a short overview of the learning that will be taking place in each class next week. This enables parents to be more informed about what their children are doing in school and support where necessary. Please continue to read daily and carry out homework.

| Nursery | Reception | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 |
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| <p>Book: Leaf Man</p> <p>Maths: Number 1</p> <p>Phonics: Rhyme and Rhythm</p> <p>UTW: looking at seasonal changes between Summer and Autumn.</p> <p>EAD: painting autumnal leaves and trees.</p> <p>L: name writing on our own leaf person.</p> <p>M: recognising the numeral 1 around the classroom.</p> <p>PD: snipping autumn leaves.</p> | <p>PSE, Literacy, Physical, UW and EAD:</p> <p>Learning out our senses, exploring sensory activities and going on a sensory walk.</p> <p>Maths: Completing and making patterns with beads and autumnal treasures.</p> <p>Phonics: Letters D and G</p> | <p>Phonics- Basics 3 Group 7- ure, ear, air</p> <p>English- Writing a formal letter</p> <p>Maths- Addition using number lines</p> <p>Science- Understanding why materials are suitable and unsuitable for different objects</p> <p>RE- How to Christians believe the world was created</p> <p>Computing- Exploring purple mash topics</p> | <p>English - Features of a recount</p> <p>Maths - Adding by making 10 and to the next 10</p> <p>Geography - Observing the weather</p> <p>History - Past and present monarchs</p> <p>Art - Landscapes of Claude Monet</p> <p>Spanish - Saying names</p> <p>RE - Acts of kindness</p> | <p>English - Continuing to write and then edit our individual newspaper reports.</p> <p>Maths - Column addition and subtraction using exchange.</p> <p>Spelling - Homophones.</p> <p>History - Looking at life in the Bronze age.</p> <p>Science - Recapping our learning so far on soil.</p> | <p>Spellings – Year 4 Spelling List continued</p> <p>Maths – Rounding to 10 or 100</p> <p>English – Exploring myths, inference skills, and grammar focus on: proper/common nouns/conjunctions.</p> <p>History – Anglo Saxons and Vikings.</p> <p>Art – Harvest Festival craft.</p> <p>Computing – Coding</p> <p>Science – States of matter review</p> <p>Spanish – Review on numbers and animal vocabulary.</p> | <p>English - Character descriptions</p> <p>Maths - Rounding and mental strategies</p> <p>Spellings - Year 3 and 4 spellings</p> <p>Computing - Internet Safety Citing Sources and Reliability</p> <p>Science – Materials</p> <p>Spanish - Euros</p> <p>Art - Exploring the work of famous architects.</p> | <p>English: Balanced argument on whether uniform should be banned from schools</p> <p>Maths: Long division</p> <p>Geography: Compare the climate in England and Greece</p> <p>Art - perspective drawing</p> |

FREE CRAFT WORKSHOP



ST.MODWEN



SAT 12TH OCT | 2-3.30PM
WANTAGE PRIMARY ACADEMY

JOIN ARTIST KERRY LEMON FOR A FREE
CONSULTATION EVENT AS PART OF HER
PERMANENT ARCHITECTURAL
GLASS COMMISSION FOR THE HUB

ALL WELCOME - PRE BOOKING REQUIRED
(UNDER 18'S MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT)

[HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/5E3WCN6W](https://tinyurl.com/5E3WCN6W)



Suitable for children
aged 5 to 11 years
£35 per child, per day.
Sibling discount available
See back for dates & venues!

Firework Science



FUN SCIENCE ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS
DURING THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

October Holiday Camps 2024: Venues and Dates

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| Monday 28th Oct | West Oxford Primary School, Ferry Hinksey Road, Oxford, OX2 0BY |
| Tuesday 29th Oct | Didcot Civic Hall, Britwell Road, Didcot, OX11 7JN |
| Wednesday 30th Oct | Begbroke Village Hall, Begbroke Lane, Begbroke, OX5 1RN |
| Thursday 31st Oct | Stockham Primary School, Stockham Way, Wantage, OX12 9HL |
| Friday 1st Nov | Caldecott Primary School, Caldecott Road, Abingdon, OX14 5HB |

Daily - 9am to 3.30pm. £35 per child per day. Sibling discount available.

Firework Science

Investigate the science behind fireworks in this exciting activity day. We'll take a brief look at the periodic table and then get stuck into practical investigations as we examine the elements and compounds used in fireworks and discover what colour flames they make. With safe practical investigations, fun craft activities and some great WOW moments, it'll be unforgettable!



To book, please go to the 'Science Holiday Camps' tab on our website and click the 'Register Now' button. All bookings are processed through Active Network. Spaces are subject to availability. Sibling discount available.

Call: 01865 522 775

www.brightsparksevents.co.uk

Have a lovely weekend.
Best wishes,
Hannah Robinson
Principal