

West Bridgford Infant School Newsletter

Key things to remember:

- **6th September is the first day of Autumn Term!**
- Check you have cleared your balances on ParentPay for the school year
- The school calendar for the next academic year is saved on the website [here](#)

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News and announcements

A HUGE THANK YOU!

On behalf of all of our teaching staff we would like to extend a huge thank you for the incredibly generous gifts and cards that you have brought in for us all!



LEAVERS CONCERTS

Our Year two put on two fantastic performances this week showcasing their musical instrument playing, singing and acting skills to their parents and carers.

They have grown in confidence so much since joining us three years ago and they should all be super proud of their achievements. Thank you to everyone who came along to support them.



SUMMER FAYRE FUNDRAISING TOTAL

We would like to say a huge thank you to our wonderful PTA team for all of the money that they raised at the Summer Fayre last week. The grand total, which will be split between the Infants and the Junior School was £2777.

Thanks to everyone that volunteered on the day and all of the teachers who gave their time to help run the event. This brings the total that they have raised for the year to £14,509. This is an incredible amount and so important to the school because of what it will help us to purchase to support our children's learning. This amount has already helped us to purchase 12 new tablets for the children to read with in class.

HELPERS TEA PARTY

As a thank you to the many parents, carers, staff and volunteers that have helped us throughout the year we held a small informal tea party this morning with cakes and tea and also entertainment! Thank you to everyone who has helped us over the past year it means so much!



Things to look out for...

HOLIDAY CLUBS

We have had quite a few flyers emailed from local businesses about various holiday clubs which will be run locally during the school holidays. These have all been uploaded onto the community section of our website, so you can browse them all [here](#)

CLAY CREATORS CLUB NEXT TERM

Clay Creators Club starts on 11th September and is open to Years 1 & 2. It is held on a Monday after school from 15:30-16:30. Children can build amazing and fun Jurassic models. The first six weeks of sessions costs £36. Parents can book online using the following [link](#) There's also a waiting list if all places go. To find out more please see this short [video](#)



A MESSAGE FROM MS. STEVENS

Dear Parents/Carers,

Yet again the year seems to have passed in the blink of an eye. Your children have continued to amaze us with their enthusiasm, creativity, curiosity and capacity to develop new skills. I am immensely proud of their achievements and am humbled and privileged to have seen them grow and learn. I am delighted by their many achievements and the progress they have made this year. They have worked hard and are ready for a well-deserved break. We have had a very busy time, as you will see from our review of the year. Our staff have worked tirelessly to ensure your children have the best start to their education. I am very grateful to them for the way they nurture and care for your children as individuals.

May I also take this opportunity to say thank you for all the support you have given to your children and our school this year. It is due to this partnership between home and school that we are able to provide your children with such great learning opportunities.

We wish our Year Two children the best of luck at the juniors and look forward to hearing about how they are getting on. Our Reception and Year One children are more than ready to move into their new classes and the Teachers have already been planning lots of exciting activities for the Autumn Term! We can't wait to welcome our new children in September and getting to know them better.

I would like to wish you all a safe, happy and healthy summer holiday and look forward to seeing you all in September.

Happy holidays
Ms. F Stevens

Staffing

We say goodbye to Mrs Cope a Teaching Assistant here for over 20 years. We wish her many happy years of retirement. We also say goodbye to Mrs Capaldo in the office who covered Miss Rudolf's maternity leave. We wish her all the best in her new job.

PTA

An enormous thank you to our wonderful PTA team for raising a spectacular £14,509 this year. Especial thanks to Adele Cooper who steps down as the PTA Chair at the end of this year along with Tom Spencer our PTA treasurer for 6 years and Heather Barkworth & Sophie Gibb who have been constant support this year.

Governors

Our Governors as always have provided challenge and support to ensure your children are safe and experience high quality learning experiences. Their end of year impact statement is attached with this letter.



A MESSAGE FROM OUR SCHOOL COUNCIL AND PUPIL PARLIAMENT

In foundation you get to go to white post farm when you were in foundation when covid was around. In year one you go to Nottingham Castle and we had evil pea. (his cheeky!) In year two you get to learn about the Great fire of London and Mrs Catts made the classroom look like the bakery on pudding lane. Oscar and Isabelle.
THIS SCHOOL IS AMAZING!

Review of the year

Reception

Our reception children have settled into Infant school life really well over the past school year, from the shy and cautious group of new children that first entered the school gates to the confident and energetic little people that they are becoming, they have made so much progress over the past year and it has been a pleasure to watch them blossom. At Christmas they enjoyed going to watch Goldilocks and the three bears at Nottingham Playhouse and also a festive Christmas sing with our parents and carers in the playground. Over the year they have enjoyed many outings and trips including White Post Farm, where they got to meet lots of different animals. They also had trips around West Bridgford to see the local landmarks including the park and the library. They also took part in two different workshops: a 'Flight to Neverland' theatre session and also 'The power of the Drums' with Andy Harris.

Year 1

Our Year ones celebrated Superhero Day last October; the whole year came dressed as their favourite superheroes and the staff too! In April they enjoyed a trip to Tamworth Castle as part of their 'Homes and Castles' topic where they dressed up as knights and also climbed the tower. In June we welcomed Animal Club into the school where the children encountered a range of animals.



Year 2

Our Year two have had a bumper year with so much happening over the last 12 months. They have enjoyed school trips to Stonehurst Farm and Beaumanor Hall. Volunteers have also represented the school on the School Council and have also visited residents at nearby warden assisted accommodation Marlborough Court to play games and share stories. As part of their history curriculum they studied the Great Fire of London and had a theatre workshop about the events leading up to the Great Fire starting on Pudding Lane.



They had excellent settling in sessions at the Junior school and rounded off the year with their fantastic leavers concerts!

