

West Bridgford Infant School Newsletter

Key things to remember for next week:

- Remember sunhats and sun cream
- Healthy fortnight continues **Monday 19th - Friday 23rd June**
- Climbing Wall **Friday 23rd June** for classes 4, 5, 6 and 9

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A message from Ms Stevens:

We are all truly shocked and saddened by the awful incidents in Nottingham on Tuesday. It was particularly poignant to hear that those who lost their lives were two University students and the Site Manager another school. Our thoughts go out to the families and loved ones of everyone affected. I was moved by the bravery and words of the families at the vigils. We wanted to echo and support their messages "Hold no hate." "Look out for each other." "Imagine a world of just love and no violence. Just imagine that world."

Activities & initiatives

Climbing Wall

Children from classes 1, 2, 3, 7 and 8 took on the challenge of the climbing wall this week. The wall is supplied by the adventure team at Nottingham City Council who bring the wall each year and set it up in Avon Gardens outside the school.

The wall is 6ft high and the children loved having a go at being kitted out with their ropes and harnesses, and tackling the wall ably assisted by Paddy and Ben from the Adventure Team at Nottingham City Council.



Sports Day

The children had a fantastic day on Tuesday for their Sports day at Cottages. All of the children really got stuck in to the activities and tried their hardest which was wonderful to see given how hot it was! It was also really wonderful to see such a fantastic turn out from our parents and carers to show their support.

We would like to thank the pupils from the Juniors and West Bridgford School and the teachers from Juniors who all helped out on the day. Finally a big thank you to Mrs Ward, Mrs Cutts and Mr Sulley for organising and helping with the set up!



Drumba and Hockey Skills

We also welcomed Claire, Adam and Saff from Drumba who did drumming workshops with the children and also Sarah and Lis from West Bridgford Hockey Club who taught the children dribbling and passing skills in the playground. Both activities went down a storm and the children thoroughly enjoyed themselves.



Things to look out for...

Non-uniform days Friday 23rd and Friday 30th June

Children can come to school in non-uniform on Friday 23rd June: bottle donations please, sealed/unopened e.g. alcohol and soft drinks. Friday 30th June: donations of bagged sweets please, again pre-sealed and unopened, no chocolates this time. Thank you!

Year 2 Leavers Disco

We have set a date for the Year 2 leavers' disco. This will be held on Friday 23rd June, from 17:00—18:30. As with previous discos we will be welcoming DeeJayz Parties on the ones and twos. Tickets are £2.50 and the PTA will cover the remaining costs and provide a drink and snack for the children to enjoy. There are still tickets available.

Useful information

School meal orders

We wanted to share a bit of context about how the school meal provision works in school and how we work with Nottingham City Catering to provide hot lunches for the children in school. Because of the age and layout of the school we do not have a kitchen large enough to prepare meals on site so we use an external catering service provided by Nottingham City Council. As this service is outsourced, we need to give the kitchen 48 hours notice so they can plan the quantities of ingredients that are required and order them in. If you do forget to order for your child, they will receive always the default option – usually a baked potato and fruit (to cater for all diets). Please can we request that you do not send in a packed lunch for your child as the school still has to pay for their hot meal, which will then have to be thrown away. Unfortunately we are not allowed to donate the wasted food and it is very hard for us to see so much good food go to waste.

Sources of help and support for parents

We have just uploaded some useful information to our website on parent/ carer relationships and stresses including debt, arguments and having a baby. There are helpful resources and courses for parents which are free. To find out more please follow the community link on the school website: <https://www.westbridgfordinfants.co.uk/sources-of-help-and-support/>

Year 2 Leavers Concerts

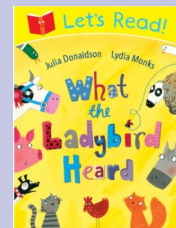
These will be held on 19th and 20th July at 9:30am in the School Hall. Tickets will be available at a later date.

What's been happening in school?

Our first week of healthy fortnight has been a resounding success with the children taking part in many new activities such as climbing, Drumba, hockey and also our Sports Day on Tuesday.

Reception

Our reception classes have been expanding on the theme of mini beasts this week by learning about ladybirds, reading 'What the Ladybird Heard' and also 'The Bad Tempered Ladybird'. In Maths they have been looking at the dots on ladybirds' backs and subitising the number (quickly working out the value by sight), then doubling the dots and writing a number sentence underneath!



Yr1

This week the children have been learning all about algorithms in computing, creating and debugging simple programs and using logical reasoning to predict the behaviour of simple programs. In Maths they have also been learning to recognise and find a quarter of different objects and shapes and also working out a quarter of an amount.

Yr2

A busy week for children in Year 2! They have been learning about change in preparation for their move up to the Junior School. On Wednesday we took the pupils up to the Junior School where they had a guided tour from some year 6's and also had the opportunity to recognise things that are the same as the Infants. The children were really enthusiastic. Today they were visited by staff from the NHS Mental Health Support Team, who also spoke to them about preparing for change when moving to Junior school. The children have been reading 'The Koala Who Could' and discussing what 'change' means, how change can be positive and when can it be negative? Think of a time when something in your life changed. What was it? How did it affect you? How did you react? A group of children visited County Hall this week to take part in **Pupil Parliament**. Isabelle explains what happened: "We went to Pupil Parliament to find out how real parliament, the House of Lords and House of Commons work. In our second meeting, Amy from KAP (Kids Against Plastic) spoke about pollution and how plastic is killing animals and seagulls. In our final meeting we did a recap on KAP and another school did a presentation about the changes and how they were helping their school."

Summer Term Dates 2023

- Monday 12th — Friday 23rd June — Healthy fortnight
- 23rd June—non uniform day
- Wednesday 28th June 6pm – Maths day, and parent /carer workshop for Reception, Y1, and new starters.
- 30th June non-uniform day
- 7th July 4pm new parent welcome meeting
- 7th July Beaumanor Hall trip Year 2
- 14th July Summer Fayre
- 19th & 20th July 9:30am Yr2 Leavers Concerts

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