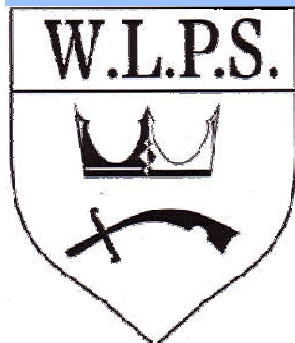


SPRING TERM

29th January 2016



REMINDER

PARENTS ARE ASKED NOT TO PARK ON THE PAVEMENTS OUTSIDE THE SCHOOL WHEN BRINGING THEIR CHILDREN TO AND FROM SCHOOL, AS THIS CAN CAUSE AN OBSTRUCTION.

THANK YOU

The Woodham Ley News

Reception Reading Cafe

Reception have been hosting a Reading Cafe each Thursday afternoon.



This has certainly raised the profile of reading for the youngest children in the school. These sessions have been extremely well attended by both parents and grandparents alike. The children thoroughly look forward to these special afternoons and love having their parents and grandparents read them stories and eat the treats that they have cooked for them during the day.

Thank you to everyone who attends each week and we look forward to sharing more books and stories with you throughout the year.



Woodham Ley Rocked the O2

Yesterday, our Woodham Ley Choir travelled to London to take part in the Young Voices Choir 2016. The choir sang with over 7,500 other children from other schools to an audience of 20,000! It was an absolutely fantastic event and one that will remain in the memories of our children for the rest of their lives! I would like to thank Mr Rawlins for his expert teaching of the choir, and to the children who have worked so hard over the past few months preparing for this concert—we are all very proud of you and you all performed brilliantly!!



School Council trip to The Houses of Parliament

On Monday 4th January, the School Council, Head Boy & Girl and Deputy Head Boy & Girl all went up to London for an exciting day out. We went to Parliament and saw the House of Lords and the House of Commons. We found out where the Queen gets ready and prepares herself before she goes into the House of Commons to say her speech. Also, we found out that Parliament has certain colours for each part of it. Green for the House of Lords, Red for the House of Commons and Gold for the Queen. Everyone thought it was an exciting and wonderful trip and learnt a lot about Parliament. (Report by Holly)

Dance Festival at the Palace Theatre

On Tuesday the 26th January, Mrs Hopkins took some of the girls from Key Stage 2 to take part in a Dance Festival at the Palace Theatre in Westcliff. There were approximately 15 other schools there all performing their dances. We performed a dance to Ashton Merrygold's new song, 'Get Stupid'. After a few technical issues we were off and ready. We did a lot of practising to get the finished product and we all thought that it was a masterpiece and could be the next top thing. We were all very nervous but happy about the routine. We also showed the dance to the school on Friday, who thought it was brilliant! Our thanks to Mrs Hopkins for helping us perfect the dance routines.

(Report by Millie and Dolly).

Attendance League
Well done to Goldsworthy Class for winning the Attendance League this week.

Weekly results

Class	Result	League points
Turner	87.67%	4
Picasso	90.67%	4
Matisse	91.67%	11
Monet	90.34%	9
Hockney	90.71%	1
Goldsworthy	98.67%	9
Dali	97.33%	10
Whole school % since the start of the year	96.35%	Lead Class Matisse

Diary dates

2nd Feb	School Nurse to do height & weight checks for Reception
3rd Feb	Netball re-starts 8am
8th Feb	Oral hygiene presentation to Reception class
11th Feb	Year 5 Performance of 'Shakespeare Rocks' 7pm
22nd Feb	Back to school 100th day celebrations—grab a bag meal for lunch
3rd March	World Book Day
11th March	School Disco
18th March	Sport Relief Day
22nd March	Year 5 & 6 trip to Colchester Castle all day Road Safety talk with Reception children and parents 9-12pm
24th March	Last day of Term
9th-13th May	SATS's Week
5th-8th June	Yr. 6 Residential trip

'WLPS is committed to developing unique and ambitious children who make informed choices and are inspired to reach their greatest potential.'

Parents' Support Page

As some of you may know, there is now a greater focus on children's Grammar, Punctuation and spelling. We know how hard you work on supporting your child with their weekly spellings and we would also like you to help your child with correcting their grammar.

I thought that if I gave you the main areas of concern, you would be able to work with your child should they use incorrect grammar.

The most common mistakes are:

We was, = we **were**

We/I/he/she/they done *should be* we/I/he/she/they did

The apple what I had = The apple **that** I had

Why don't he go out? = why **doesn't** he go out?

Should/would/could of *should be* should/would/could **have**

I'm not speaking to nobody = I'm not speaking to **anybody**

I caught = I **caught**

I writ = I **wrote**

I weren't very good = I **wasn't** very good

We wasn't very good = we weren't very good

Molly and me went to... = Molly and I went to...

Me and Molly want to... = Molly and I would like to...

I ain't gonna = I'm not going to

Also correcting the omission of letters or mis-pronunciation of words - e.g.

Wa'er = water

Wri'l = Writtle

Somefink = something

Ad enough = had enough