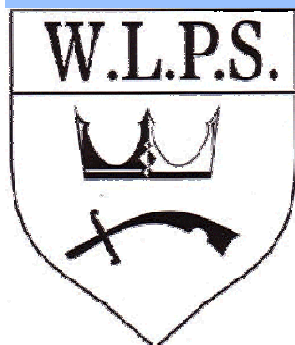


SUMMER TERM

13th May 2016



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Please read the back page of this newsletter for support when you listen to your child

The Woodham Ley News

We have, over the week experienced the start of the Summer (hopefully). With this in mind, can I remind you all of ensuring that the children are protected from the dangers of the sun and heat. The children will need to have a water bottle with them and have sun screen applied at the start of the day. The children can also have caps when outside at breaktime. We have spoken to the children about protecting themselves by drinking regularly and being in the shade when they start to feel hot.

SATs testing

I would like to say a big well done to the children in Yr 6 who sat their SATs tests this week. You may have heard in the press this week about how these are now far more challenging but our children approached them in a very mature way.

Children throughout our school are tested periodically during the year as a way of assessing their progress and to assist us in planning for the next phase of their learning. We aim to do this in a way that doesn't put stress on the children and I was pleased that this is how our children felt.

Reminders

Next Wednesday (18th May), we have the annual class & Groups photograph sessions.

Don't forget the Parents Social Bike Ride on Thursday 19th May at Hadleigh Park. Meet at the central Courtyard for 10am.

BATIC SUPPORT COUNSELLING

We are pleased to be able to offer you a drop in counselling service if you have any concerns regarding your family wellbeing. The first of these sessions is between 12 and 2 O'Clock on Thursday 19th May. If this is something that you would like to access, please get in touch with the school office to book your half hour slot.

Den making was very in tents! - (sorry for the pun)



The children in the Reception class were lucky to be joined today by Mr Hicks who did some den building on our school field. The children had a fabulous afternoon using many different skills of team work, rope tying and problem solving to make their dens. As you can see, they were all very successful!

Play equipment

The play equipment for the front playground has been installed and it is nearly ready to be used. We are, however, waiting on a couple of extra parts before the children can use this fully and I know how desperate they are to start clambering over it! The arrangements for before school will obviously remain in place with the children waiting on the back playground until the gates open at 8.35.

Attendance League

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

Weekly results

Class	Result	League points
Turner	97%	8
Picasso	91%	47
Matisse	96.67%	6
Monet	98%	13
Hockney	98.97%	9
Goldsworthy	94%	3
Dali	99.67%	7
Whole school % since the start of the year	96.06 %	Lead Class Monet

Diary dates

18th May	<i>Tempest in for class photo's</i>
19th May	<i>PTA Ladies Shopping Evening</i>
20th May	<i>Yr 6 children visit from Appleton School</i>
23rd May	<i>Yr 6 Bikability courses to start</i>
27th May	<i>Last day of Half Term</i>
5th-8th June	<i>Yr. 6 Residential trip</i>
16th June	<i>PTA Fathers Day gift shop</i>
17th June	<i>Non pupil day</i>
25th June	<i>School Fete</i>
27th June	<i>Meet the Parents for new Reception intake 7pm</i>
28th June	<i>New intake meet the teacher part 1</i>
22nd June	<i>Reception to Duxford</i>
21st July	<i>Last day of School</i>
1st & 2nd Sep	<i>Non pupil days</i>
5th Sept	<i>Back to school</i>

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QUESTIONS FOR READING

Below you will find a list of possible questions to help you with conversations about your child's reading. They are not intended to be used all at once or every time you read with your child. Use them at your discretion and where they are appropriate. Happy Reading !!

Questions to ask before you read

- Can you look at the pictures and predict what you think will happen in this book?
- What makes you think that?
- What characters do you think might be in our story?
- Do you think there will be a problem in this story? Why or why not?
- Does the topic/story relate to you or your family? How?

Questions to ask during the reading

- What do you think will happen next?
- What can you tell me about the story so far?
- Can you predict how the story will end?
- Why do you think the character did _____?
- What would you have done if you were the character?
- How would you have felt if you were the character? (use different characters)
- As I read _____, it made me picture _____ in my head. What pictures do you see in your head?
- As you read, what are you wondering about?
- Can you put what you've just read in your own words?

Questions to ask after reading

- Can you remember the title?
- In your opinion, was it a good title for this book? Why or why not?
- Were your predictions about the story correct?
- If there was a problem, did it get solved?
- What happened because of the problem?
- Why do you think the author wrote this book?
- What is the most important point the author is trying to make in his writing?
- What was your favourite part of the story?
- If you could change one thing in the story, what would it be?
- Can you retell the story in order?
- If you were _____, how would you have felt?
- What is the most interesting situation in the story?
- Is there a character in the story like you? How are you alike?
- Why did you like this book?