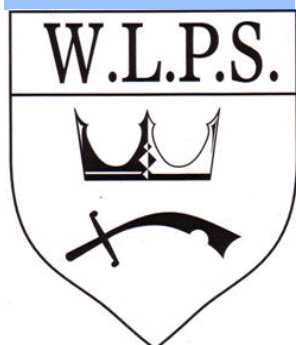


# Spring Term

10th March  
2017



## The Woodham Ley News

### World Book Day

Last week, we were celebrating our love of reading by holding lots of exciting events. Throughout the week, the children took part in our 'Drop, everything & read' event, where they had a story read to them by a member of our enchanting staff. On Wednesday, we held our spelling Bee and we can now announce our winners:

Winner Year 1 & 2 Zack Higgins

Winner Year 3 & 4 Zachary Alden

Winner Year 5 & 6 Lauren Davies

Last Thursday, we took part in the annual celebration of World Book day, which is in it's 20th year! We started the day with our reading breakfast and then had our parade with the children in their amazing book character costumes. A big thank you to all the parents for their support with the book fair and World Book Day donations. We have raised over £600 for new active read books and additional topic books for our library.

### Reception Class trip to Stratford Discovery Centre

On Wednesday 1st March, the children in Reception visited the Discover Children's Story Centre in Stratford. They had a wonderful time exploring 'The Fantastic World of Dr Seuss' exhibiton. They dressed up as Bar-ba-loots, visited the Thneed Factory and played alongside the Boom Band. A great time was had by all.

### Cross country competition 7th March

This Tuesday, we competed in the Inter-Schools Cross Country competition at the Deanes School. I would like to congratulate everyone for taking part and for their commitment to training for this event, over the past few months. We needed to have a minimum of 4 children to make up a scoring team and in some year groups we were a little bit short on numbers, but that didn't stop the children from performing brilliantly, with some fantastic results. The Year 4 Boys came 19 out of 27, Year 5 girls came 15 out of 27, year 6 girls came 11 out of 27 and the year 6 boys came 6th out of 27. We also had Joe Scanlon and Kaylynn Cross who came in the top 10 of their year groups. Joe came 5th and Kaylynn came 3rd out of 130 runners. Kaylynn now goes on to represent the Castle point area in a cross country competition on 25th April. A big well done to everyone. Our thanks to Mrs Grayland who has also been working with the children over the past few months and giving up her time to help train the children. Running club continues every Monday, but we will change our focus now to athletics (sprint training, throwing events and long jump/high jump).

### E-Safety Training

For all those parents who missed our E-safety talk held here on the 17th November, a further training evening is being held at Kingston School on Monday the 20th March. This is an extremely informative and useful event for parents and I urge anybody that missed our training evening to go along and get up to speed with the dangers our children face when using the internet.

### Reminders

- School dinner next Wednesday is grab a bag chicken chunks and chips. No jacket potatoes will be available on this day.

### Weekly results

#### Attendance League

Well done to  
Picasso Class for  
winning the  
Attendance League  
this week

Class	Result	League points
Turner	96.55%	2
Picasso	100%	1
Matisse	92.33%	5
Monet	96.67%	2
Hockney	98.33%	8
Goldsworthy	96.21%	4
Dali	96.21%	1
Whole school % since the start of the year	95.99%	Lead Class Hockney

### Diary dates

21st March	Girls football match at home against Kents Hill
22nd March	PTA Pamper Evening Fossils & dinosaurs day
24th March	Comic relief day
27th March	Boys football match away at Wybern school 27-30 march—PTA selling Easter draw squares after school
28th March	Yr 3 & 4 dress rehearsal
29th March	Yr 3 & 4 production afternoon & evening performances
31st March	Last day of term
3rd - 17th April	Easter holidays
18th April	Back to school
26th April	Tempest photo's in for class photo's Music Soiree 6.30-8pm

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# Parents' Support Page

## 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?