

**Dear Parents and Carers,**

Over the past two weeks we have been busy raising money for some worthwhile causes. The first was for the Amy May Trust appeal that you kindly donated to on Monday, raising £250 for the charity. There is a special event this evening after school in Thundersley Village with Phil Brown and a couple of Southend United players signing autographs. There is also face painting, birds of prey and other activities for the children to do. Why not pop along!

There was also a group of our children who completed the London Bridges Challenge on Sunday. Joey, Sienna, Tayleigh, Kaylynn and Honey walked almost 10 miles from West to East London along the city's iconic bridges, to raise money for Diabetes UK. They started in Battersea Park before criss-crossing some of London's most iconic bridges along the River Thames. The children managed to complete the whole distance and raised a whopping £1550.

And finally, I would like to thank you for attending the annual MacMillan coffee morning last Friday. I am pleased to announce that you raised just over £152 for this worthwhile charity. Our thanks to the PTA for all of their support with this event.

**Visit from Rebecca Harris MP**

Last week we were lucky to have a visit from Castle Point's Member of Parliament, Rebecca Harris. Whilst she was here she spoke to this year's School Council and they were able to ask her lots of questions about the life of a politician as well as some hot topics. She then met with the rest of the school during the assembly where she had more questions thrown at her. She was very complimentary about the school and very much enjoyed her visit.

**Book Fair**

As so many of you know, the book fair came to WLPS last week and created excitement and spending, in fact that we managed to purchase just over £500 worth of books. This is an amazing total and means that we are entitled to approximately £300 worth of books for the school. Our thanks to Mrs Hopkins for organising the fair and also to you and your children for having that love of reading that meant that you couldn't help but buy so many books.

**Reminders**

- **Year 6 reminder** the closing date for applications to transfer to secondary school is : **Tuesday 31st October**. The link below will give you all the information you need. If you need help with the transfer process, please get in touch. <https://www.essex.gov.uk/Education-Schools/Schools/Admissions/Pages/ApplyOnline.aspx>
- Please can you ensure your child is not on their scooter at the start and end of the day in the playgrounds.
- Parents' evenings—hopefully you have received the letter from your child's book bag about the parents' evenings on Tuesday 17th and Wednesday 18th October. The forms need to be returned to us by this Monday so that we can let you know your slot. Thank you.
- Non-pupil day 30th October

**Attendance League**

Well done to  
Turner &  
Goldsworthy classes  
for jointly winning  
the attendance cup  
for this week.

| Weekly results                             |               |   |
|--|---------------|---|
| 97.67 Class                                | Result        | League points                                 |
| Turner                                     | 100%          | 7   |
| Picasso                                    | 93.33%        | 7   |
| Matisse                                    | 97.74%        | 9   |
| Monet                                      | 96.13%        | 5   |
| Hockney                                    | 98.33%        | 9   |
| Goldsworthy                                | 100%          | 8   |
| Dali                                       | 96.33%        | 1   |
| Whole school % since the start of the year | <b>97.73%</b> | <b>Lead Classes<br/>Matisse &amp; Hockney</b> |

**Diary dates**

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| 16th Oct        | Year 5 & 6 trip to Science Museum                            |
| 17th Oct        | Reception Phonics workshop 2-3pm<br>Parents Evening 3.30-7pm |
| 18th Oct        | Parents evening 3.30-5.30pm                                  |
| 20th Oct        | Year 5 Road safety talk                                      |
| 23rd - 27th Oct | Half Term Week   |
| 30th Oct        | Non-Pupil day  |
| 31st Oct        | Children back to school                                      |
| 7th Nov         | Year 3 & 4 Globe theatre trip                                |
| 9th Nov         | Tempest Photo's in   |
| 17th Nov        | Children in Need day   |
| 23rd Nov        | Flu immunisation day   |
| 8th Dec         | Reception class to Colchester Zoo                            |