



WESTERTON PRIMARY ACADEMY

Upcoming Events:

- Monday 6th March:** Spelling Bee heats in classes.
- Monday 6th March:** National Careers Week
- Tuesday 14th March:** Spelling Bee Finals
- Friday 17th March:** Mother's Day Celebration — Mothers/Guardians of Reception and Nursery children are invited into school for a Mother's Day breakfast followed by an opportunity to make cards with the children (8:45am—10am)
- Friday 17th March:** Reports out to parents/carers.
- Tuesday 21st March:** World Poetry Day
- Wednesday 22nd March:** World Water Day
- Thursday 23rd March:** Parent/Teacher Consultations
- Monday 27th March:** Easter Hamper Raffle
- Tuesday 28th March:** Parent/Teacher Consultations
- Tuesday 28th March:** Autism Awareness

Messages from the Principal

Good afternoon,

There is ever increasing evidence that illustrates the importance of reading for pleasure for both educational purposes as well as personal development. Whilst we participated in World Book Day this week as an acknowledgement of the importance of reading, our school curriculum and class timetabling provides a wealth of reading opportunities throughout the academic year. Please continue to support and encourage our children to read for pleasure at home. Remember reading comes in many forms; our children should be encouraged to read comics, magazines, poetry, manuals, catalogues and recipes!

I look forward to hearing about some of the reading that has taken place at home.

Have a great weekend.
David Livie
Principal

This week...

World Book Day

On Thursday, we took part in World Book Day. Many staff and children attended school dressed as their favourite book character and brought along to school one of their favourite books. Throughout the day the children had an opportunity to share their books and create their own book reviews. Some whole class activities included creating Reading Rivers, book marks and character stick puppets for role play.



Updates and Reminders

Drop off and collection periods

We have seen an increase in the number of children using the fixed climbing equipment and playtime resources during drop off and collection periods.

The playground equipment, including the trim trail, are not supervised during these periods of the day and should not be used for health and safety reasons.

Please also ensure that the children refrain from using any of the equipment stored in the school sheds during drop off and collection times. This is provided for break and lunch periods where our play leaders provide organised games. Much of the equipment is being broken or misplaced, impacting on the school budget.

Something to read this week:

Our Year 6 children have read the novel *Carrie's War* in whole class reading lessons. Here is a chance to listen to the audio book:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/sounds/brand/p041ybgj>



Achievement Awards			
Class	Researcher	Citizen	Academic
RLE	N/A	N/A	N/A
RCT	N/A	N/A	N/A
RCB	N/A	Odette	Kai
1AC	Joshua	Annabeth	Lola
1AL	Franki	Eliza	N/A
1CL	Emily	Peter	Louie P
2SW	Layla	Albie	Mirren
2LD	Lana	Ollie	Luke
2AT	N/A	Maisie	Isaac
3JW	Kyla-Mae	Roman	Bella
3EN	Lexi	Joseph	Isla
3GG	Hettie	Greyson	Grace
4JB	Isobel	Alana	Heidi
4RW	N/A	N/A	N/A
4BH	Kory	Leon	Alfie
5RC	N/A	N/A	N/A
5SM	N/A	Holly	Aariz
5SG	N/A	N/A	N/A
6KD	Arianna	Finley	Millie
6ME	Frankie	Delilah	Bo-Pierre
6JM	Ray	Isabel	Jude

Vocabulary corner

'To have another language is to possess a second soul'
Charlemagne

Garrulous: excessively talkative, especially on trivial matters

'The child was quite **garrulous** when talking about football.

How many different ways can you use the word **garrulous**? How many other sentences can you generate?

Challenge of the Week

Healthy eating is extremely important for all of us! From young, we need to make sure that we are giving our bodies all the minerals and nutrients that it needs, in order for it to work efficiently. This week, you could carry out a food art challenge, by creating a piece of art from pieces of fruit and vegetables! Use the pictures below to help you. Remember to eat the fruit once complete so as not to waste it!





Also this week...

Children of Westerton

Joseph in Year 3 has been selected by MX GOAT ELITE KIDS to take part in professional training within the sport of motocross. The aim of the training is to support Joseph to compete at the highest level of the sport 'The ACU British Championships'. During his time at the academy, he will work hard to increase his riding techniques and skills so that he can compete at the highest level possible. Good luck Joseph and well done!



Alana in Year 4 has taken part in a skipping challenge for cancer research. Alana has been determined to raise as much as she could. She needed to skip 100 times a day in the month of February which she more than achieved! Alana even packed her skipping rope to take on holiday during the half term and made sure that she achieved her skips every day! Alana has raised more than £317. Well done!

World Book Day - continued...



Updates and Reminders – ParentPay

We would like to request that all parents and carers access their ParentPay account and ensure that we hold the most up to date contact details for you. All of our messages to parents and carers go out through this platform so please ensure the details are accurate. Thank you.

Parking around Westerton

Please be considerate of our neighbours. As you are aware, the school is located in a residential area, please be mindful of the residential dwellings that surround our school.

According to Highway Code Rule 243, you should not park near a school entrance — as well as anywhere that would prevent access for emergency services, at or near a bus stop, opposite or within 10 metres of a junction, over a dropped kerb, and in front of an entrance to a property.

There are a number of measures around our school to safeguard the children who attend including, zig zag lines which should be treated like double yellow lines. Double yellow lines mean no waiting at any time and there are no excuses for most drivers. The only exceptions are for disabled badge holders who are legally entitled to park where double yellows are painted.

Please also be considerate of the health of our community. Idling makes for worse air quality, which is bad for human health. Young people are at greater risk of the health impacts of air pollution because their lungs are still developing.

Rule 123 of The Highway Code states that drivers must not leave a parked vehicle unattended with the engine running or leave a vehicle engine running unnecessarily while the vehicle is stationary on a public road.

