



"Children Come First"

The West Green Bi-Weekly

West Green Primary School's Bi-Weekly Newsletter

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Dear West Green Family,

We hope that you all enjoy a wonderful half term with your families. It looks like the sun will finally come out so that we can all enjoy some time outdoors. We are looking forward to an action packed last half term of school when we return on **Monday 7th June.**

As always, SLT will be on call during the holidays to help with contact tracing.

If your child develops symptoms of COVID19 within 48 hours after their last day at West Green Primary School (for the vast majority of students the 48 hours will end at 3:30pm on Sunday 30th May) you must seek a test for your child and the household must isolate at home until the test result is returned.

After booking a test you must contact the school and let us know/keep us up to date on the outcome of the test.

Please call: 020 8800 4676

OR

Email: admin@westgreen.haringey.sch.uk

SLT will be answering the phone and checking emails regularly until Sunday 30th May.

The Library of All Our Stories

During March, the children in year 2 were asked by The British Library to join in with a special, amazing project with 29 other schools (we were the only school from London to join in!)

They asked us to STEP inside our OWN stories! We were given a chance to make our own concertina books with special card, special skin coloured pencils and best of all.... we were the STARS of the books! We used the first few pages of Planet Omar: Accidental Trouble Magnet by Zanib Mian for inspiration. We really loved illustrator Nasaya Mafaridik's pictures!

Then we let our imaginations LOOSE! Ms Essor led on this project and she was so impressed with the creative and imaginative stories! You can go online and see a special video with some of our work!

<https://www.bl.uk/childrens-books/activities/library-of-all-our-stories>





WE NEED YOUR HELP!

You can help raise funds for the school without having to donate money yourself or spending time doing things like baking cakes for sales. Over 4,000 retailers will donate to us for free every time you use easyfundraising to shop with them.

This means you can support us at no extra cost to yourself when you do your everyday shopping. Whether you're buying school supplies, clothes, groceries, takeaways, insurance, or anything else!

Just find the retailer you want to shop with on the easyfundraising website or App, shop as usual and you'll raise a donation for us when you make a purchase.

Joining is easy and completely FREE. Just visit:

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/westgreenprimaryschool/?utm_campaign=raise-more&utm_content=en-e6

Keep forgetting to go to the site?

You can add a fundraising reminder to your web browser – every time you shop at a participating site you will get a prompt reminding you to add your donation!



Mental Health Awareness Week

It was Mental Health Awareness Week was 10th -16th May and the theme of Connect With Nature linked perfectly with all the time we've spent outdoors enjoying nature during lockdown. We know that encouraging children to build in opportunities to connect with nature in everyday life can improve both the health of their bodies and their minds. You can find further details on Mental Health Awareness Week here:

<https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk/campaigns/mental-health-awareness-week>

BookTrust Pyjama Day

A huge thank you to everyone who took part in Pyjamarama – we hope you all had lots of story-filled fun! West Green managed to raise just under £100! This money will help us make sure that every child experiences the joy of bedtime stories. For more information check out their website:

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/>

Uniform / Lost Property

Lost property will be laid out after school this week (weather permitting). Please come and have a look in a safe socially distanced way.

Please make sure that your child's name is on their uniform items. As the weather gets warmer and the children take off their cardigans and jumpers during playtime, the lost property grows and grows. Many of the jumpers have no names and often remain unclaimed.



Walk to School Week

This year's challenge will focus on the walking superpowers that benefit individuals, communities and the planet. Each day pupils will be introduced to a brand new 'Walking Superpower' taking the form of a fun comic-book inspired design.

Walking has so many benefits from physical to mental wellbeing; aiding concentration and creativity and creating safer, less polluted and more welcoming streets. All that makes for a happy, healthy child set up for success in and out of the classroom. Children who walked, biked or scooted to school all week will receive a very special badge!

Attention EU Citizens

If you are an EU, EEA or Swiss citizen, you and your family can protect your rights by applying to the EU Settlement Scheme to stay in the UK.

You do not need to apply if you are a British or Irish citizen, or you have indefinite leave to remain or enter.

The EU Settlement Scheme allows you and your family to get the immigration status you need to:

- continue to live, work and study in the UK
- access public services like the NHS

The deadline to apply is 30 June 2021. Check here for more info: <https://www.gov.uk/settled-status-eu-citizens-families/applying-for-settled-status>

Covid Testing

Haringey has 3 rapid COVID-19 test sites **for people who are not showing any signs of having the virus.**

The centres are at the following locations:

- 48 Station Road, Wood Green, N22 7TY
- Tottenham Community Sports Centre, 701-703 High Road, Tottenham, N17 8AD
- The Transmitter Tower, Alexandra Palace, Alexandra Palace Way, N22 7AY

The days and hours of operation are as follows:

- Monday: 8am to 4pm
- Tuesday/Wednesday: 8am to 8pm
- Thursday/Friday/Saturday: 8am to 4pm
- Sunday: 10am to 2pm

If you cannot attend a testing site, you can order kits to test your household, childcare bubble or support bubble if at least one member. This option is now available to over 18 year olds in ALL households. See below for more information on getting these home test kits.

There are different ways to access the home testing kits. One way is to collect the home testing kits from a PCR testing site in the borough. Those who are not able to collect home testing kits can place an order for them to be delivered to their home address. Those eligible to receive home testing kits can follow this link <https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests> which provides information on collection points and also gives the option of ordering the tests to be posted. This link takes you straight to a map with the collection points for home testing kits <https://find-covid-19-rapid-test-sites.maps.test-and-trace.nhs.uk/>. Please note that anyone collecting a home testing kit, can collect up to two kits. Each home testing kit contains 7 tests.

Covid Vaccinations

The NHS is currently offering the vaccine to:

- people aged 30 and over
- people who will turn 30 before 1 July 2021
- people at high risk from coronavirus (clinically extremely vulnerable - external link)
- people who live or work in care homes
- health and social care workers
- people with a condition that puts them at higher risk (clinically vulnerable)
- people with a learning disability
- people who are a main carer for someone at high risk from coronavirus

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/coronavirus-vaccination/book-coronavirus-vaccination/>



Stars of the Week!

Well done to all of our stars this week. Keep up the great work! ☺

Stars of the Week 17/05/21		Stars of the Week 26/05/21	
Red Class	Alara	Red Class	Leila
Orange Class	Deshay	Orange Class	Talya
Yellow Class	Rehan	Yellow Class	Marin
Green Class	Ali	Green Class	Yi-Xuan
Blue Class	Jenna	Blue Class	Emir
Indigo Class	Maliyah	Indigo Class	Fatme
Violet Class	Maria	Violet Class	Lamiss
Music Star	Omar	Music Star	Ivy

Dates for you Diary

In school drama workshops KS1	Monday 7 th June
Friends of West Green meeting via Zoom	Friday 25 th June
Sports Day at Chestnuts Park - AM	Friday 2 nd July
Parent/Carer Meetings	Monday 12 th July
Parent/Carer Meetings	Tuesday 13 th July
Summer Fair	Friday 16 th July
Transition Day – children visit their new classes!	Monday 19 th July
Leavers Assembly	Tuesday 20 th July
Last day of term – Early Finish	Wednesday 21 st July

****Please note that many of these dates will depend on restrictions and where we are with the roadmap out of lockdown. We will keep you updated as things progress.**

27th May 2021

Dear members of the community,

The easing of many restrictions from Monday 17th May was welcome news for Haringey with most of us excited about the opportunity to meet up with friends and family again.

Cases of COVID-19 are very low in Haringey at the moment, but there has been a significant increase in cases in other parts of London. This increase is mainly due to the new B.1.617.2 variant of COVID, which was first identified in India, and it is very concerning as it shows how quickly the virus can spread. Luckily, there is mounting evidence to show that those who have been vaccinated do have good protection against this variant and are not getting seriously ill, which is why it is so important to get vaccinated if you are eligible and have not yet done so. The vaccine is currently being offered to anyone over the age of 30, go to www.nhs.uk/covid-vaccination to book an appointment.

As we know, around one in three people infected with COVID-19 do not have any symptoms but can still pass the infection on to others. Those who have been vaccinated may still catch and pass the virus onto others without getting sick themselves.

With the upcoming half term break for schools next week, some of you will be taking time off to be with your children, friends and family. This is a reminder to please continue to be careful and ensure that you test yourself regularly, either through collecting a test kit at your school, by picking up a test kit from any of the test sites in the borough, from a large number of community pharmacies, or by ordering a test kit online to be delivered to you. Full details of all these options are available on our website: www.haringey.gov.uk/COVID-testing.

For parents and secondary school children, it's good to get into the habit of testing yourself twice a week especially if you are catching up with friends or family or going into work. We recommend testing yourself on the same days each week, so you don't forget. **It is especially important that children get tested if they attend secondary school prior to returning to school after the half term break on Monday 7th June.** With the new variant of COVID-19 being potentially more contagious, this will give us all peace of mind to know we are reducing the chances of bringing the virus into school and spreading it to children, young people, education staff and their families.

The current low rates of COVID-19 are a result of the sacrifices we have all made and continue to make to protect ourselves, our families and our community. None of us want a return to lockdown, so thank you for your efforts in keeping Haringey Safe.

With Kind Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'W Maimaris', with a stylized, flowing script.

Dr Will Maimaris, Interim Director of Public Health, Haringey Council

Free sessions with our Educational Psychologists

Are you worried about your child's learning or development? Are you a young person worried about a problem in school, or with your family or friends?

Then book a **free 30 minute session** with an educational psychologist from Haringey Educational Psychology Service. This service is for:

- Local residents, parents and carers to discuss any concerns they may have about their child's learning or development
- Haringey children and young people to speak to someone about their worries



What is an Educational Psychologist (EP)?

Educational psychologists are qualified specialists who offer support and advice to schools, early years settings, voluntary groups, parents, carers, children and young people on a range of issues. This includes supporting children with disabilities, learning difficulties or social, emotional and mental health difficulties. Haringey Educational Psychology Service has psychologists from a diverse range of cultural backgrounds who are all registered with the Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC).

WHERE: Markfield, Markfield Road
N15 4RB (currently by
phone)

WHEN: Week beginning:

14th June 2021

5th July 2021

If you have any queries or would like
to book a session, please contact

Family Admin on: 020 3667 5233

or email familyadmin@markfield.org.uk