

# **The West Green Bi-Weekly**

West Green Primary School's Bi-Weekly Newsletter

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Dear West Green Family,

Welcome back to a new school year! I hope you have all had a lovely summer and managed to enjoy time with your families. We have an exciting year ahead of us and we look forward to working with you to continue to make West Green a great school. We have already had such a great start to the year. All the children have returned full of energy and it is lovely hearing their holiday news. As I walk around the school, there is already a calm atmosphere and all of our children have begun their learning journeys in their new year groups well. I am really looking forward to the year ahead!

#### **Covid Safety Measures**

As you will know the guidance around safety measures in schools has been relaxed to reflect the current wider advice. As a school we are closely following all guidance and making the necessary changes. We have moved away from staggered times and bubbles for the most part as recommended. However, in the day the children are largely with only their class. We have decided to keep break times and lunch times a bit smaller so the children are only mixing with 1-2 other classes instead of the whole school as prev-covid. This minimises mixing and contacts, but also works well for the children and their social skills and needs! In addition, we have maintained ventilation throughout the school as well as our good hand washing practices. We also continue to clean high traffic areas throughout the day alongside the usual full daily clean each evening.

#### **Drop off/ Collection Times**

It has been so lovely to be able to welcome everyone into the school gates during drop off and collection times! Thank you for your patience while we all get used to the old pre-covid systems. We will now welcome all children into school for 8:55am through the Woodlands Park entrance. The gate will be open from 8:45am and the School Leadership Team will be there to supervise the children in the playground until they line up and are collected by their teachers to take them into class. You may wait with your child in the playground until the bell rings or drop and go at the gate. Please note, we kindly ask you to exit the school playground and move well clear of the entrance gate when the bell rings for the safety of our children as they are still arriving at school. We thank you for your support with this.

<u>The school day will finish for all children at 3:30pm</u> We will open the gate at 3:20pm and you may wait in the main playground until your child's teacher dismisses them from their class line in the sports pitch.

## We've been trying to reach you!

This week you should have received an email from the class gmail as well as a text inviting you to the meet the teacher (and possibly some other texts!). If you have NOT received these then please let the office know as soon as possible. We may need to collect up to date contact information from you.

If you would like to speak to your child's class teacher please do this at the end of the day. You will need to wait until the other children have been collected. If this is not suitable please call or email the school office to make an appointment. Please remember that class emails are outgoing only.

#### Meet the teacher

You are welcome to come along and meet your child's new class teacher. You will find out the learning that will take place and classroom expectations. This is an opportunity for you to ask any questions and speak to the teacher.

Year 1-2 Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> September – 3:00 pm Year 4 Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> September – 3:00 pm

Year 5-6 Wednesday 15th September – 3:00 pm

YEAR 1,2,3,5,6 Meet the teacher meetings have been postponed until next week – details to follow!

For all of these meetings, please use the Terront Road entrance.

#### **Secondary School Admissions**

Parents of children in Year 6 must fill out an application form to secure a place for Secondary school for September 2020. You must submit your form by the closing date of the 31st October 2021. **These forms are only available on-line**. Below is a link to the handbook provided by Haringey which includes information of how to apply and the details of open days/evening for each secondary school in the borough.

#### How to Apply

- Read about secondary schools and how to apply in our <u>Secondary School</u>
   Admissions Booklet (<u>PDF</u>, <u>5MB</u>)
- Measure your distance to local schools using <u>Haringey's Distance</u>
   Calculator.
- 3. Attend a Secondary School Open Event.
- 4. Apply online:



We will be hosting information evenings on in September so please keep an eye out for an invitation. Representatives from local secondary schools will come along and we will provide some information about applying online.

Should you have any questions about applying for a secondary school place please speak to any member of SLT. We will also be available on the following days to help you fill out an application. You must have a working email address in order to apply for a place.

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> October at 3:30am Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October at 9:00am Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> October 9:00 or 3:00pm

https://www.haringey.gov.uk/children-and-families/schools-and-education/school-admissions/starting-secondary-school

#### **School Lunches**

A reminder to **all parents/carers of children in Year 3** that you will have to start paying for your child's school meals. School meals are £12.50 per week and we advise parents/carers to pay for school meals a half-term in advance to avoid owing money to the school. Please give the office 1 weeks' notice if you wish to change from either packed lunch to school lunch, or vice-versa.



#### Office opening hours

Just a reminder that if you are in need of the office, we request that you use the Terront Road entrance. Morning office hours are 8:30am – 9:15am and afternoon office hours are 3:00pm – 3:45pm.

There is no access to the office by walking through the hall. This is to ensure the safety of your children.

### **After School Clubs**

Just a reminder that for extended after school provision (3:30-6:00pm) we have an external company – **Energy Kidz** – running an after school provision. For more information or if you are interested in a place, please see the information below and use this link to book in: https://bookings.energy-kidz.co.uk/ldentity/Account/Login



Find out more at <u>www.energy-kidz.co.uk</u>.

Energy Kidz Autumn Term Newsletter 21-22.pdf

#### **Easy Fundraising Link**

You can help West Green Primary School raise funds by simply clicking on the link below and following the easyfundraising page to your online shopping! Every time you shop, we receive a small donation to say 'thank you' and **it's completely free too!** We want to raise as much as possible so please sign up!

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/westgreenprimaryschool/

#### **Felix Food**

West Green Primary school is very proud to be partnered with The Felix Project. The Felix project is a food redistribution charity-they collect food that would otherwise go to waste, but is perfectly fine to eat – and distribute it to schools and charities across London. West Green will receive a delivery from the Felix Project every Tuesday and you will see the food on tables in the playground. We ask that you take only what you need (up to 5 items for each family) and bring your own bag.



## Flu Vaccinations

On **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> October** Vaccination UK will be coming to West Green and providing children from Reception to Year 6 with flu vaccinations. Please sign the consent form that will be sent home soon and return to the teacher if you wish for your child to take part. If you would not like to take part please send in the form indicating so. Only children with signed consent will be administered the vaccination.

#### **Building Works**

As you will have noticed the building works are well under way at school. As promised we are doing our best to ensure that disruption is kept to a minimum during the school day. We will do our best to keep you posted as things progress.



#### **Garden Grant**

Before the school holidays we were successful in winning a garden grant for West Green. We have been busy getting this going, starting with some lovely raised beds made by Ross a local carpenter. The next step is to do some planning for the year about what type of vegetables we can grow. If there are any particularly green fingered families who wish to help or give advice we would be very grateful! Please get in touch with Adrien via the admin email.



#### Uniform

At West Green we believe that our school uniform is an important part of our identity. It reinforces who we are as a community and helps us all to feel pride in our school. When pupils feel this pride, they are more likely to take pride in their work, their learning and their good behaviour choices.

#### We expect every child at West Green to wear the correct school uniform EVERY DAY.

#### Our school uniform:

West Green jumper or cardigan / jade green jumper or cardigan

- White shirt or polo shirt
- <u>Plain black/dark grey</u> school skirt, trousers, shorts, leggings or pinafore dress

OR

- <u>Light green</u> gingham summer dress in warm weather
- BLACK closed toe shoes or completely black trainers (Veloro is preferred)

NO jewellery (except sensible 'stud' earrings)

We recommend that hair longer than shoulder length should be tied back (to help prevent the spread of nits and accidents happening).

Pupils are welcome to wear headscarves in accordance with Islamic tradition. Head scarves should preferably be plain and coloured either green, white, black or grey.

#### PE kit can we worn ALL DAY on your child's PE day:

Children must still wear their West Green jumper PLUS:

Sports t shirt (preferably white)

Shorts/leggings/jogging/tracksuit bottoms (ideally plain and in line with school colours)

Sports trainers



Uniform can be purchased from Star Uniforms, 32 Church Road, London, N17 8AQ or via

https://myclothing.com/pupiluniform/23101.school

Bookbags can be purchased from the school office for £5.

#### Common uniform mistakes:

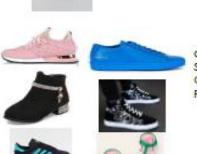


Please DO NOT buy



Dark Green jumper or cardigan.

THIS IS NOT OUR SCHOOL COLOUR



Colourful shoes Shoes with heels Open toed shoes Patterned shoes



Bracelets Necklaces

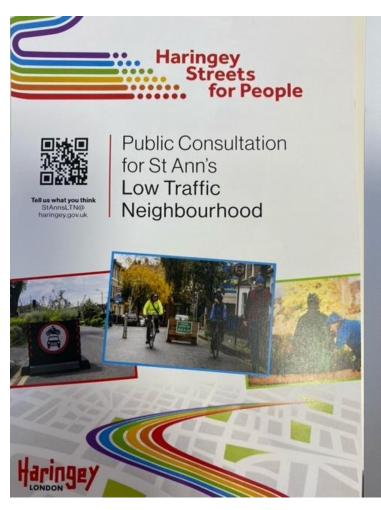




#### **Term Dates**

Please put these dates in your diary. A quick reminder that holidays should not be taken during school time.

Tuesday 14h September	Meet the Teacher Year 3 &4 - POSTPONED
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> September	Meet the Teacher Year 5 &6 - POSTPONED
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> September	Meet the Teacher Year 1 &2 – POST PONED
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> September	Bikeability Year 3/4
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> September	Bikeability Year 3/4
October 4 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 to Pendarren
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> October	Secondary App Help 3:30pm
Friday 15th October	Secondary App Help 9:00am
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> October	Secondary App Help 9:00am OR 3:30pm
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	Flu Vaccinations Reception to Year 6
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	End of Half Term



#### WHAT IS HAPPENING?

Haringey Council is currently consulting on two options for a Low Traffic Neighbourhood (LTN) in St Ann's. An LTN is an area which has a number of places where motor vehicles are not allowed to pass through. This reduces or eliminates through traffic in an area. More information on LTNs can be found in the Frequently Asked Questions on the project website.

The consultation follows six months of initial engagement with residents and stakeholders which has included:

- A Commonplace website which allowed people to identify issues with traffic in the area
- Meetings with local stakeholder groups
- Online community workshops and

We are now consulting on two options for an LTN in the St Ann's area. Both options will involve the introduction of "modal filters" which are points in the road that prevent motor vehicles from passing through but allow for walking and cycling.

There are also proposals for new pedestrian crossings, School Streets and cycle hangars in the area as well.

You can view each of the options by visiting https://tinyurl.com/ StAnnsLTN

We would like residents to review both options that have been developed, and provide their feedback on each.

#### HAVE YOUR SAY

We want to hear your views on the changes we are proposing for the area and the phasing. You can have your say online or by filing in the paper copy of the survey. Please submit your response to this consultation no later than 17th September 2021. You can do this via one of the following three options below:

Online fill in a questionnaire for the St Ann's LTN which is found by following this link:

www.haringey.gov.uk/low-traffic-neighbourhoods

fill in your paper copy of the questionnaire and return it to the freepost address: Frontline
Consultation, Freepost Plus RTKXAJJC-ULRY, London Borough of
Haringey, 225 High Road, Wood
Green, N22 8HQ

#### E-mail

Fill in the questionnaire and email it to: StAnnsLTN@har

#### In person

Visit one of the libraries below to fill in the questionnaire in person. You can also leave the completed questionnaire at the same

Marcus Garvey Library, 1 Philip Lane,

Coombes Croft Library, 4 High Road, N17 8AG St Ann's Library, Clasbury Road, N15 5PU

Alexandra Park Library, Alexandra Park Road, N22 7UJ Wood Green Library, 187-197A High Road, N22 6XD

