

#### "Children Come First"

## **The West Green Bi-Weekly**

West Green Primary School's Bi-Weekly Newsletter

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#### Remember!

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.

Dear West Green Family,

What a pleasure it was to open the school gates on Monday to all of your smiling faces – we've certainly missed you over the summer. I hope that you all had a wonderful summer break, with the chance to spend time with family and friends.

It has been such a brilliant start to the term already, the children have returned eager to get started. Walking around the school this week classrooms are looking lovely, and the school is buzzing with back to school excitement. I'm very much looking forward to an exciting year!

#### **Gate Timings**

We wrote to you with some start of year reminders, the letter can be seen again by following the link below.

We are aiming to reduce the number of children who arrive late to school – every second of learning counts! You will have noticed we are being very strict on a gate closing time of 8:55am for this reason. We appreciate your understanding and ongoing support with this.

https://www.westgreen.haringey.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/Welcome-and-reminders-2.9.22.pdf

#### Easyfundraising

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!

https://www.easyf undraising.org.uk/ causes/westgreen primaryschool/

### We've been trying to reach you!

By now you should have received at least one text and email from us – likely a few more than one even! If you haven't received them something has gone wrong and we'd like to get it sorted as soon as possible.

Please stop by the school office to check we hold correct details for you.

We tend to communicate with families largely via text messages or emails. If you haven't already please download our texting app called Xpressions.

For more regular updates and information please follow us on our social media pages.



**Facebook** – WestGreenPrimarySchoolN15 **Instagram** – westgreen\_n15



#### Office 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.

#### **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 or £87.50 for the half term.

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.

#### A Warm West Green Welcome

We've added a few new members to our West Green team! If you see them in the playground be sure to say hello and give them a welcome!

A big welcome to:

#### Stella – Reception team

Zilan – Year 1 team Kate - Year 2 team Amv – SLRB team Rushe - Year 4 team

#### Meet the teacher

Please come along and meet your child's class teacher! Please use the Terront Road entrance.

Meet the Teacher	
Class	Date / Time
Year 1	Wednesday 14th at 3:00pm – 3:20pm
Year 2	Wednesday 14th at 3:00pm – 3:20pm
Year 3	Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm – 3:20pm
Year 4	Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm – 3:20pm
Year 5	Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm – 3:20pm
Year 6	Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm – 3:20pm

#### **Secondary School Admissions**

Parents of children in Year 6 must fill out an application form to secure a place for Secondary school for September 2022. You must submit your form by the closing date of the 31st October 2022. 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

- 1. Read about secondary schools and how to apply in our  $\,\underline{\text{Secondary School}}$ Admissions Booklet (PDF, 5MB)
- 2. 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 evening 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 13th October at 9:00am or 3:30am Friday 14th October at 9:00am Thursday 20th October 9:00am or 3:00pm

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

#### **INSET Day**

We would like to confirm that the remaining INSET day will be on Monday 5th June. School will be closed to children on this day.

#### Library Opening Times

Starting next
week the library
will be open
every day after
school from
3:30pm – 4:00pm.
A member of
staff will be in the
library to help the
children choose
books and to
record their
selections.

### Individual and Sibling Photos

On Monday 17<sup>th</sup>
October our
school
photographer will
be in to take
individual and
sibling photos.

Please make sure your child arrives on time and in their school uniform.

Photos will be available to purchase and more information will be shared about this on the day.

# Energy Kidz

#### **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/Identity/Account/Login



The Friends of West Green will be meeting on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September at 9:00am in person to set out our events for the term. We are always looking for new members so please join us if you can! If you're able to help out at events throughout the year but can't make meetings please let us know. We can add your name to a list of volunteers we can call on as needed. Just speak to Mrs. S in the playground.

#### Return of the Cake Sale

Cake sales will be returning at the end of this month. They were hugely successful last year with some classes raising an unprecedented amount of money! Cakes are donated by the families in the class for the sale. All of the money raised goes to the class to spend on something lovely! Teachers often use the money to purchase experiences for their class linked to learning such as trips or visitors.

Cake Sales	
Class	Date
Year 1	September 30 <sup>th</sup>
Year 2	October 7 <sup>th</sup>
Year 3	October 14 <sup>th</sup>
Year 4	November 4 <sup>th</sup>
Year 5	November 11 <sup>th</sup>
Year 6	November 18th

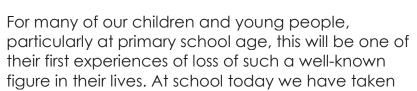
#### **Vegetables for a Good Cause**

Looking to eat healthy and help out those in need? The St Ann's Food Hub is a group of local people in and around St Ann's ward in Haringey who have decided that everyone should be able to access fresh produce.

We provide boxes full of fresh fruit and veg for an incredibly reasonable price, as well as providing 'Solidarity' boxes for free to those locally who really need them through our local partner organisations. The more paying subscribers they have, the more boxes they can give to those in need. Click here for more info: <a href="https://www.stannsfoodhub.org/">https://www.stannsfoodhub.org/</a>

#### A message about the Passing of the Queen

Whether you're a Royalist or not, the news of the Queen's death can have an impact on people for all sorts of different reasons. The Queen provided a level of continuity of leadership in this country that at times of challenge was reassuring for many. Change can be unsettling, even if it is the change in bank notes, stamps, coins, post-boxes and our anthem – let alone a new Prime Minister and Monarch in the same week. Having wall-to-wall media coverage about grief and funerals can stir up our own feelings of grief for those we have lost.





some time to speak to the children about this loss and reflect on some of the historic memories of the Queen.

As you know, at the time of writing, the day of the funeral has not yet been announced. Please know that we will be in touch if there is any impact on the school day. As a school we will find a way to come together and reflect as more details about events are released.

Do look after yourselves and all those around you: loss can resonate very personally with some of us, particularly where there are other personal events in our lives that this loss brings to the fore.

Let's all be extra kind to each other over the coming days as you just never know how or why this is impacting on someone around you.