

TPS Newsletter 20.6.2022

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Hot and sweaty have been the classroom conditions this week, as I am sure your children have told you!

An unintended consequence of the extreme heat is that it sometimes triggers the fire alarms. Thank you to the many people who praised our evacuation procedure on Wednesday—we take all safeguarding practices very, very seriously.

Can I please reassure everyone that we would never conduct a planned fire drill during drop off and collection times and therefore if the alarm sounds, it is genuine. Also, we will never just assume it is the heat. We have to investigate our large site and be absolutely sure before re-entry.

If the alarm sounds and you have not already arrived on the playground, please stop & move back away from the school. If you are already on the playground please move away onto the grass allowing space for the children to be safely evacuated under their teachers supervision.

Thank you to the vast majority of parents and carers who showed patience and modelled responsible behaviours for our pupils.

Meanwhile, please make sure your child has a water bottle in school every day, suncream and sunhats also welcomed. We also always make sure classrooms are open for shade at break-times on extremely hot days.

Every Child, Every Day, Every Chance this week:

A thoughtful letter

from one of our learners which is giving me something to think about!

Dear Mrs Benarous, I am writing to you to request a school pet. I think that having a school pet will; help with children's mental health and give them a sense of responsibility. I know that pets help keep you calm and relaxed because my pet cats calm me down when I am upset. Our School had a pet in the past, which was a great success, and I don't see why having a new pet wouldn't also be a success. We could also have a fun naming competition. This would be a great opportunity to get children and teachers involved. May I suggest that to help the environment, we could plant bee friendly plants in Forest School to help pollinators like bees survive as they are very important to our environment. I have planted bee bombs in my garden, and it is nice to see bees buzzing around. It is a cheap and effective way to help declining species. A couple of things pupils could do to help bees are; plant flowers in their garden and leave a small area of their garden to grow wild, this will help bugs and animals that like to roam in long grass and if some pupils don't have a garden, then they could put a hanging basket on their balcony and if they don't have a balcony, then they could put a pot of flowers on the windowsill and leave the window open for the bees to access the flowers. Putting a small pot of water in a garden, even a water feature will help frogs, frogspawn, pond skimmers and rare and endangered newts. *
* WARNING! This might not be suitable if you have younger siblings or pets. * Yours sincerely, Freddie 5J



We have only gone and done it again! As I stood on the gate on Friday, Miss Mclean and the Hockey Team returned from their first tournament dripping in medals! They cheered, 'We played four and won four!' We don't play sport just to win of course, but it does feel good! Well done to all of our players: Elena, Irfaan, Isabella, Yugaan, Zach, Sam, Sophie and Harry. And an extra special well done and thank you to Miss Roberts, our Hockey Coach, and Miss McLean who sources these winning opportunities.

Community Help:

Our charitable efforts really 'stepped up' this week with Years 2 and 3 completing a very ambitious sponsored walk. The collection on the gates for Zoe's Place was also very well supported. Thank you for your generosity.

Would you like a stall at the Summer Fayre? Email the school office for the attention of Mrs Croyden. We are also desperate for raffle prizes—can you help? We can advertise local businesses who sponsor/support us.

Our newsletter is getting noticed and more and more organisations are asking us to promote events and activities in Tile Hill and Canley. Please see some below and save them for the holidays too—there is a lot going on this Summer to make up for lost time. Some of the leaflets have been shared via Marvelous me, twitter and facebook. Please take time to read the leaflets attached—they are all very relevant to you.

Coventry CC are asking you and your children to contribute to a Child Friendly Coventry. See below for how you can contribute your ideas.

Dates for your Diary:

Reception Chat, Play, Read events 12th, 13th and 14th July

Sports Day Wed 29th June – Sports Day; Yr4,5,6 in the morning, Yr 1,2,3 in PM Reception Fri 1st July 9.15am

New to Nursery Parent Meeting Thursday 30th June 5.30pm

Coventry Transition Day/Templars Moving up Day Wednesday 6th July

New to Year 1: Parent Meeting Wed. 6th July 5.30pm **and Chat, Play, Read events** 19th, 20th, 21st July

Summer Fayre Friday 8th July 3pm

Year 6 Performances at Westwood Academy Friday 15th July

Moving up to Year 3 Parent Meeting Wed. 20th July 5.30pm

Break up for Summer and Year 6 leavers assembly and lunch for parents Friday 22nd July

Return to School Thursday September 8th 2022

Headteachers Awards

Summer 2 Week 3

★ Arlo 1CW for showing more maturity and confidence to complete work independently

★ Samuel RK for always being kind, caring and thoughtful, following our school value of caring for each other

★ Samina 6S has worked fantastically through our recent English unit very independently and it just shows how much progress she has made since September

★ Max RB - for bringing a big, bold smile and infectious enthusiasm for learning every single day!

★ Destiny 6DH for always putting 100% effort into her work, which is well presented and well thought out.

★ Kane C in 4D-This is for his exceptional improvement in all areas of learning, being engaged in lessons and super consistency in reading.

★ Daisy 4M - For your fantastic effort to produce a wonderful storybook about the journey of a Syrian refugee

★ Nevaeh in 3S for sensible and trustworthy behaviour.

★ Callie 4G for including lots of descriptive language in her narrative

★ Joel 1CW He has settled in well to our class since joining Templars and is now joining in with lessons and making friends.

★ Larae RDT for consistently working hard in her phonics this week and always trying her best.

★ Ariana 2R She puts in 100% effort into every piece of learning, even when she finds it tricky. She wrote a fantastic acrostic poem this week! Her behaviour is impeccable, and she is a kind and supportive member of our class who is a pleasure to teach.

★ James 3KG He has been a brilliant friend this week, particularly being kind to a new child in our class and he is consistently trying hard with his work.

★ Amir 2FP for fantastic effort in all areas of his learning.

★ Jack- Tremendous effort in all his work, achieving the Gold club and completing 1 hour of reading daily.

★ Abigail 6M. I'm seeing a whole new side to Abigail as she prepares for the school production. Fantastic effort learning her lines, excellent delivery and certainly one to watch in the future!

★ Ronan 5J for simply working his hardest in all subjects and shooting up two levels in the 99 club this term.

Be..... Amazing at Westwood



We warmly invite pupils & parents/carers of current Year 5 to participate in our Saturday morning 'Challenge Workshops'. Where you will meet the Head of School, the Student Leadership Team and find out all about our fantastic school.

LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE—BOOK NOW!

Up-coming events



- ♦ **Saturday 2 July 2022, 10:00 am–12:00 pm, Challenge Morning**
Technology Challenge— Fashion Disaster—A challenge in Textiles
Science Challenge—Become an expert scientist and carry out a real experiment
Music Challenge—Learn to play Beethoven's 5th in a morning!
Creative Writing Challenge—Write the next Harry Potter novel!

- ♦ **Saturday 9 July 2022, 10:00 am–12:00 pm, Challenge Morning**
Food Technology Challenge – become a master chef! Cook your mum's best ever dinner!
Maths Challenge—Fraction Fun with Food
Language Challenge—learn to speak to each other in Spanish
Program Challenge— write your own computer program.

You are warmly welcome to attend both Saturday Sessions.

To request a place please email: challenge@thewestwoodacademy.co.uk by 30th June 2022.

You may choose one workshop per morning. Please state which workshop/s you would like to book a place for. Tours of our school will also be available.

Parents must remain with children throughout the morning.