



West Leigh Weekly News

December 4th 2020

(New dates in BLACK)

DECEMBER

Week beginning Monday 7th

Y5 and Y6 Test Week

Monday 7th

AM 4S @ Coastal School

Week beginning Monday 14th

Aqua class swimming

Monday 14th

Christmas Jumper Day

Tuesday 15th

Year 3 Christmas lunch

Wednesday 16th

Year 4 Christmas lunch

Thursday 17th

Year 6 Christmas lunch

Friday 18th

Year 5 Christmas lunch

Monday 21st - Monday 4th Jan

Christmas break

FEBRUARY

Thursday 11th

Year 6 Young Shakespeare

Company

Friday 12th

INSET Day

Monday 15th - Friday 19th

Half term

MARCH

Tuesday 2nd

Class photos

Monday 29th - Friday 9th April

Easter break

MAY

Monday 3rd

Bank Holiday

Year Three

We have now completed our final assessments for this term and the children have all worked extremely hard to give their best. It has been a quite exhausting week for them but it has culminated in Christmas decoration morning. The children have produced some wonderful artistic efforts which will be coming home after being displayed around the classroom.

In mathematics we have been investigating geometry with a focus on lines such as parallel, perpendicular, vertical and horizontal. We even looked at how Piet Mondrian used his geometry skills to create wonderful, bright and interesting masterpieces.

Science has seen the children look at the creation of soil and how, over time, it changes from rock face to the lovely material that sustains our varied plant life.

Year Four

In English this week the children have learned how to identify different genres of writing and are now focusing on science-fiction stories. They have enjoyed being creative and exploring their ideas through drama. The maths assessments have now been completed and in science the children have started to learn about producers, predators and prey.

We have collected all the data from the *Moki* fitness bands and 4R had the most steps in total - a whopping 978,011 steps last week. The total combined steps for Year 4 is 10,641,920 steps this half term!!!

Year Five

There is certainly a festive feel in the air this week with advent calendars in the Year 5 classrooms and the anticipation of Christmas decoration morning on Friday. Linking to the Christmas theme, in English the children have been composing and writing letters to go with their Christmas cards to the residents of local care homes. Their words have shown not only their excitement but also their empathy and care for others at what is for some, a difficult time. Co-ordinates and 2D and 3D shapes have been the focus in maths. Classes have drawn, made and investigated shapes and been encouraged to learn and use the correct vocabulary to describe them clearly. The cam toys are almost complete and there has been great enthusiasm putting the final touches to them, checking how well they work and evaluating the finished products.

Year Six

There have been many highlights this week for Year 6 including the exciting realisation that Christmas is nearing. This was celebrated during our Christmas decoration morning. It was unusual not being joined by parents and you were very much missed. In English, the children were introduced to the inspirational book 'The Arrival' - a textless book created by a very talented artist 'Shaun Tan'. The pupils were certainly excited to interrogate the book and interpret what they were reading. As a result of this text, the children were able to develop a myriad of reading and writing skills.

Awards

Our sports awards go to **Shaun Dsouza (6M)** who was the 'Sports Performer of the Week' and **Darcy Annum (4L)** who was our 'Most Improved in PE'. There was one certificate for 100% attendance this week – well done to **4L!**

Friday 28th

INSET Day

Monday 31st

Bank Holiday

JUNE

Tuesday 1st - Friday 4th

Half term

JULY

Thursday 22nd - Tuesday 31st

August

Summer break

ATTENDANCE

We had 5(!) classes with 100% attendance this week and we got to watch their fantastic dances and routines in the virtual assembly this morning. Congratulations to **3D, 3T, 5C, 5G and 6M!**



CHRISTMAS SONGS

11pm tonight is the deadline for the children's video contributions for the year group Christmas songs that are going to be put in to our virtual telling of the Christmas story. There is now a prize for the class in each year group that submits the most contributions – and it very close between the classes in every year group!

CHRISTMAS CARDS FOR FRIENDS

This afternoon the Christmas post boxes were put out ready for the children to post their cards from Monday to Friday next week. A reminder please that cards can only be sent to children in their year group and should have the class of the recipient on the envelope too. Or this card may get delivered to the wrong William or Lily! The cards will be delivered on Monday December 14th which is our Christmas Jumper Day.

Dinner menu - week 3

Monday

Cheese and tomato pizza with tortilla crisps
Jacket potato with baked beans
Baguette with tuna mayonnaise
Carrot, cucumber and tomato
Fresh fruit, yoghurt or fruit shortbread biscuit

Tuesday

Beef bolognese with spaghetti
Creamy vegetable pasta bake with garlic bap
Baguette with cheese
Carrot, cucumber and tomato
Fresh fruit, yoghurt or peach cake

Wednesday

Baguette with roast chicken and stuffing
Jacket potato with cheese
Pork and tomato ravioli with garlic bap
Carrots, cucumber and tomato
Fresh fruit, yoghurt or fruit flapjack

Thursday

Hot dog roll with pork sausage
Hot dog roll with vegetarian sausage
Baguette with egg mayonnaise
Carrots, cucumber and tomato
Fresh fruit, yoghurt or carrot cake

Friday

Fish finger bap
Veggie finger bap
Jacket potato with baked beans
Carrot, cucumber and tomato
Chocolate chip cookie

TEAM POINTS

1st **PEGASUS** 44 points

2nd **PHOENIX** 43 points

3rd **WYVERN** 42 points

4th **CENTICORE** 34 points

Extremely close this week!



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