



# West Leigh Weekly News

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2021

(New dates in BLACK)

JUNE

**Week beginning Monday 28<sup>th</sup>**

Lifesaving in swimming lessons

**Monday 28<sup>th</sup>**

PM 4L/4S Science walk to

Belfairs Woods

**Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup>**

AM 4S Coastal School

**Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup>**

AM 4L/4S Science walk to

Belfairs Woods

PM 4R Coastal Schools

JULY

**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup>**

Year 6 Young Shakespeare Company

visit - "Hamlet"

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup>**

AM 'Meet the new teacher' session

**Week beginning Monday 5<sup>th</sup>**

Olympics Week

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup>**

Sponsored Event Day 1

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup>**

Sponsored Event Day 2

AM 6M Coastal Schools

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup>**

AM Sports Day @ Belfairs Academy

**Week beginning Monday 12<sup>th</sup>**

Final week of swimming

Year 6 Activity Week

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup>**

Year 6 Bake Off final

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup>**

Year 6 @ Adventure Island

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup>**

Year 6 @ Stubbers Adventure Centre

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup>**

Year 6 Fun Swim

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup>**

6pm Year 6 Leavers Party

Last day of term

**Thursday September 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Children return to school

## Year Three

This week in mathematics we have been delving deeper into division by covering the 'bus stop' method. The children have really given their all to solve the various problems and have moved through this week's works very effectively.

In Connected Curriculum we have not only evaluated our bridge designs but also used our drama skills to recreate the legend of Sarah Moore, a local witch who was believed to have cursed sailors if they did not give her a penny for good luck. Apparently, the old crone would sell a good wind to gullible sailors and those that didn't pay up would suffer the wrath and rage of the Thames Estuary.

English has seen the children finish their lighthouse writing exercise. They really have excelled in their latest piece of writing by using everything they have learned throughout the year.

## Year Four

Year 4 have been engaged in very topical debates during English lessons this week and it has been incredible hearing the points of view of the children in response to the question 'Should the school day be extended?' Additionally, they have learned to present their opinions using the correct formal language and extend their ideas into full arguments. In maths, the children have been revising time and they have demonstrated fantastic resilience by applying their knowledge to a range of very challenging problems. The children have been creating classification keys in science this week and in Connected Curriculum, Year 4 have taken a short break from design and technology in order to gather resources for creating their fairground rides. Instead, they have been comparing the work of Fred Fowle and Keith Haring in order to create a piece of fairground-inspired pop art.

## Year Five

Maths this week has been a bit of a mixture. We started the week honing our skills with a protractor, both measuring and drawing angles. We finished the week reviewing how to solve different types of problems using the skill of logical reasoning, which although a challenge, was fantastic for really working the grey matter. In English, the children have been reflecting on their time in Year 5, their successes, progress and their thoughts about moving into Year 6. It has been a privilege to be party to their thoughts and feelings. In science we have been looking at properties and changes of materials and the children were set the challenge of separating different solids and comparing the states of different materials. Masks continue to dominate our Connected Curriculum lessons and this week the children had the opportunity to recreate their designs in a computer programme. Some certainly have shown such potential we expect them to be snapped up by Pixar!

## Year Six

It certainly seems that the weeks at West Leigh are going by quickly as we near the end of term yet the children are still working as hard as ever, developing their learning. As mathematicians, they have been tackling investigational maths and also further refining their reasoning skills using a range of *Can You Convince Me?* activities. Within Connected Curriculum, they have been introduced to pop art and in particular the style of Bridget Riley's artwork. This "Awesome Art" study programme has enabled the children to produce their own artwork inspired by optical illusions. As readers, they have been delving deeper into the highly engaging text of *The Explorer* and enjoying the twists and turns that this brings.

## LIFESAVING



During the swimming lessons next week, all the children will be learning and practising their lifesaving skills. Please can ensure they bring in a 2-piece set of pyjamas (no onesies!), a towel, their swimming costume and hat. No goggles please.



## NUTS

One of our children with a nut allergy experienced an allergic reaction this week. Please can you ensure that the children do not bring in any food that have nuts or traces of nuts in them  
Thank you.



## SPONSORSHIP DAYS FOR THE PLAYGROUND

The children are getting very excited about the upcoming sponsorship days that are coming up next week. There are some brilliant events planned that should be a lot of fun. Please help your child to gather sponsors over the next few days. Everything raised will go to transforming our playground into a more exciting place for the children now and in the future to play and spend time with their friends. Remember, there is a prize for the class that raises the most money. If there are any local businesses that would like to sponsor this event, please contact the school office.

## TEAM POINTS



1<sup>st</sup> **CENTICORE** 45 points

2<sup>nd</sup> **PHOENIX** 42 points

3<sup>rd</sup> **PEGASUS** 40 points

4<sup>th</sup> **WYVERN** 28 points



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## Awards

Congratulations to **Florence Hill (4L)** for being the 'Sports Performer of the Week' and to **James Curtis (6M)** for being awarded the 'Most Improved in PE' trophy.

## ATTENDANCE

We had only one class with 100% attendance again this week (there must be a few coughs, colds and tummy bugs around) – congratulations to **6F!**

## WLJS 'CITIZEN OF THE WEEK'

Stanley Bear and our Citizen of the Week award this week goes to **Tomasso Berti** in **5C**. Tomasso has so far raised £135 by selling lemonade outside his house. The money that he makes is being donated to Great Ormond Street Children's Hospital. What a fantastic cause!

## MESSAGE FROM MR LEAR AND MRS WOOLF

You will have noticed from the letter we sent out earlier today that next **Thursday, July 1<sup>st</sup>**, we are going to change from class bubbles inside the school building to year group bubbles. This will allow the children to mix and collaborate more freely with children from the three other classes in their year group. It will also enable us to re-launch maths bands and have physical year group assemblies. It's just one small step on our own 'roadmap' out of COVID restrictions!

## Lunch Menu–Week beginning 10/5/21

### Monday

Cold tuna pasta with garlic bap  
Jacket potato with baked beans  
Baguette with cheese  
Carrot and cucumber  
Fresh fruit, yoghurt or raspberry mousse

### Tuesday

Homemade creamy chicken and chick pea korma and rice  
Homemade lentil and butternut squash korma and rice  
Cheese and tomato pizza with tortilla corn chips  
Carrot and cucumber  
Fresh fruit, yoghurt or chocolate cake

### Wednesday

Roast pork with roast potatoes, mix vegetables and gravy  
Mediterranean vegetable pasta bake with garlic bread  
Baguette with tuna mayonnaise  
Carrot and cucumber  
Fresh fruit, yoghurt or cornflake crispies

### Thursday

Homemade beef lasagne with garlic bap and sweetcorn  
Homemade vegetable lasagne with garlic bap and sweetcorn  
Chicken nugget mayo and lettuce wrap  
Carrot and cucumber  
Fresh fruit, yoghurt or banana cake

### Friday

Homemade tomato and bacon pasta with garlic bread  
Veggie finger bap  
Fish finger bap  
Carrot and cucumber  
Fresh fruit, yoghurt or chocolate chip cookie