



## West End Academy

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### **INSET Day**

At the INSET day last week, subject leaders looked at the progress the children are making across the new curriculum. We feel that we have more children reaching age-related expectations in the non-core subjects. We also feel that more children are above average in these subjects because of the expectations they are now being set in lessons. We will continue to monitor this through the summer term to make sure our children are challenged in every subject.

### **Attendance**

Well done to Year 1 for having the highest class attendance in school during the last half-term. On Tuesday, in our Achievements Assembly, they were awarded some money to spend on a new classroom resource. Also, during the assembly, the draw took place for all the children who have received a golden ticket last half-term. Children receive these tickets when their attendance is more than 98% each week. Riley Cartwright-Horobin, Kiven Chen, Chelsea Spencer, Arians Kalnins, Lewis Jones and Keira Taylor all won a £5 voucher!

### **Always Green Event**

Last week, the children learnt the new skill of fencing as a reward for staying on green all term. Afterwards, Kyle in Year 5 said, "We learnt how to stand and move our feet. Before the duel, we learnt to salute each other before the bout can begin." I was pleased that 87% of our children attended the event. Next term, I hope even more children manage to stay on green by making sure that they always follow the golden rules.

### **Websites**

With the SATs approaching for both Year 6 and Year 2, parents might want to look at the websites below in order to support your children's learning at home. There is a range of activities for your children, and you, to enjoy!

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks1/literacy/>

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/english/>

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks1/maths/>

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### **School Website**

The teachers have recently updated the class blogs and gallery pages on the school website. Make sure you read these in order to find out even more about what has been going on in school.

### **Text Messages**

Please remember to tell us if you change your mobile number so that we can update our system. We need up-to-date contact numbers in case we have to contact you in an emergency. Thanks for your support with this.

### **Making an Appointment**

If you have any concerns at all, please make an appointment to see your child's class teacher first. This appointment can be made by telephoning or visiting the office. If you feel that they cannot help, please make an appointment to see Mr Wood or me.

### **Dates for Your Diary**

Overleaf are the upcoming events for the summer term. Further details about these events will be sent out nearer the time.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mr C Johnson  
Headteacher



SATs week for Year 6	Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> May
Governors' meeting	Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> May
Key Stage 2 Maths INSPIRE morning	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May
Year 6 visit to Bradford Media Museum	Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May
Foundation Stage Maths INSPIRE morning	Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May
Key Stage 1 Maths INSPIRE morning	Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> June
Upper Foundation Stage visit to the Rainbow Factory	Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> June
Phonics Screening week for Year 1	Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> June
Year 6 Tesco Fair Trade Trail	Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> June
Year 4 visit to Yorkshire Water	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> June
Zoolab visit to Lower Foundation Stage	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> June
Year 3 visit to Leeds Gurdwara	Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> June
Year 1 visit to Yorkshire Wildlife Park	Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> June
Key Stage 2 sports day	Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> June
Foundation Stage sports day	Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> June
Year 5 Yorkshire Planetarium workshop	Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> June
Key Stage 1 sports day	Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> June
Year 2 visit to Thackray Medical Museum	Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> June
School reports handed out	Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> July
Year 6 production	Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> July and Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> July
Summer Fair	Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> July
Parents' evening	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> July
Governors' meeting	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> July
Children meet their new teacher	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July
Year 6 leavers' assembly	Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> July
INSET days (no children in school)	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July and Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> July