

West Heath Primary School

News Bulletin

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Welcome back everyone, we hope you all had a fantastic summer. Can we give a special welcome to our new reception children and their families who are settling in well. We are proud that results at our school are continuing to improve year on year and that we are now above national average in all areas. Thank you all for your cooperation with the adaptations we have made as a result of the continuing building work that is taking place. There is light at the end of the tunnel now, we will soon have amazing outdoor facilities to go with our fabulous new school.

School Ping

From Monday 9th September we will be a paperless school. All information will now be given to parents through School Ping, which is an app that you can download onto your smartphone. The app will improve the communication with ourselves and the school community. You will receive a letter in the post that will tell you exactly how this will work and give you your personal login information. It is vital that all parents download the app, otherwise they will miss important information about things that are happening in school, such as, newsletters, trips, parents evenings, clubs and whole school events.

Sport

PE Hoodies

Your children's hoodies are now in school. Please make sure that you pay for them using 'Parent Pay' and we can then take them to class. If you haven't ordered, please use the form on the school website and Mrs Hatch will order for you.

PE Days

At West Heath Primary, we believe that there is no such thing as bad weather only bad clothing. Please therefore ensure that your child has an indoor and outdoor PE kit (they will be doing PE outside regardless of the weather!) All children should come to school in their full PE kit on their PE day! PE kit expectations are recorded in your child's planner.

Your child's PE days are as follows: -

Class 1	Thursday
Class 2	Tuesday
Class 3	Monday
Class 4	Friday
Year 2	Friday
Year 3	Thursday
Year 4	Wednesday
Year 5	Tuesday
Year 6	Monday

School Meals

Please remember that all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to free school meals. From Year 3, dinners are payable at £2.25 each day. However, there are certain benefits that you are entitled to in order to receive free school meals. Please check the Gov.uk website. Our school meals are delicious; it would be great to see more KS2 eating a hot meal every day!

Our new whole school topic

Our new whole school topic is called Time Travel. From Year 1 to Year 6 the children will be learning about a specific period of history. The teachers have been busy over the summer holidays planning some fantastic lessons for your children, please make sure you ask them all about what they have been learning in school. Make sure you check out the school's Twitter feed for posts about some of the things that have been happening. Below is a table which tells you the period of history each year group will be focussing on.

Year 1 - The Great War	Children focus on the whole school driver of values education to learn about what made a good soldier during WW1. They learn about significant events and figures connected with the Great War to develop their skills as Historians.
Year 2 - Tudors and Stuarts	Children learn about what life was like during the Tudor and Stuart times by looking closely at this significant event in British history. They also discover King Norton's Tudor and Stuart past!
Year 3 - Ancient Egypt	Children learn about the achievements of one of the world's earliest civilizations -Ancient Egypt.
Year 4 - Invaders and Settlers	Children learn about the Anglo-Saxon and Viking struggle for the kingdom of England.
Year 5 - The Victorians	Children learn about the rapid change that took place to the way people lived during the Victorian era.
Year 6 - WW2	The children learn about the significant events that took place during the Second World War. They consider what conditions existed which led people to go to war and debate whether it is ever the right course of action.