



West Byfleet Junior School

Week ending: Friday 29 September 2023



New Pupil Leaders

First of all a huge well done to all the Year 6 pupils who showed interest and applied for the roles of pupil leaders or members of the School Council. We were all very impressed and the whole school democratically elected our new pupil leaders who are: Lily (Snowdon), Bobby (Windermere), Maya (Aviemore), Rose (Aviemore), Matthew (Snowdon) and Peggy (Windermere)

New School Council

Thank you to Mrs Tarantino for her continued hard work and dedication to our School Council. A warm welcome to: Bella (Snowdon), Daisy (Snowdon), Savannah (Snowdon), Katie (Snowdon), Millie (Windermere), Darcey (Windermere), Elkan (Windermere), Harrison (Windermere), Stella (Windermere), Poppy (Windermere), Madison (Aviemore), Adriana (Aviemore).

The Year 6 School Council team met for the first time today and has already been busy sharing and bringing in new ideas. These will be shared with the rest of the children during assembly next week!

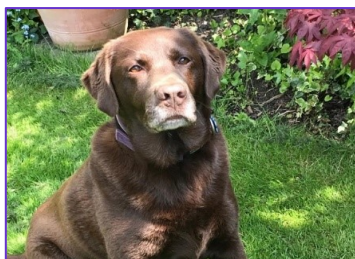


Newly repainted Friendship Shed

Many thanks to our resident artist, Nathalie Scott, for repainting our friendship area.

Coming soon to WBJS - Bentley our Pets as Therapy Dog

Bentley is a chocolate Labrador, who loves swimming and having cuddles on the sofa. He eats anything other than lettuce and celery. A huge thank you to our lovely Family Link Worker, Mrs Clark, Bentley's owner. Bentley will be starting shortly in his role as Pets as Therapy Dog at WBJS. Further details to follow.



What is Pets as Therapy? "Pets as Therapy (PAT) is a national charity that enhances the health and wellbeing of thousands of people in communities across the UK. Our volunteers and their temperament-assessed pets visit establishments such as care homes, hospitals, hospices, schools and prisons, and bring smiles to many faces. People of all ages get the chance to chat to someone — and stroke and cuddle a friendly dog or cat."

Multiple studies have found that being around animals can improve moods and reduce the risk of developing depression. Other studies have found that dogs in particular can support in decreasing the feelings of anxiety and sadness as well as increasing physical activity.

Travel Wise Week poster competition winner

Congratulations to Jane K from Darwin class who has won first prize in our Travel Wise Week poster competition run by our Eco and PSHE leads to help raise awareness of the dangers of air pollution and what we can do to tackle the problem.



Forest Schools - Aviemore Class

We played mini games out of natural materials which were shared with others. We designed wood logs and painted them. We played Eagle eyes and fire lighting.

Parent Volunteers

If you are interested in volunteering in school, please read the box overleaf, entitled Parent Volunteers.

Wishing you a lovely weekend.

Thought for the week

Diary Reminders & Updates

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DATE	YR GP/CLASS	EVENT	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
Mon 2 October	Year 6	National Measurement Programme	Please complete electronic consent form (see below)
Weds 4 October	Year 4	Swimming Lesson 3	12:30 to 15:30
Thurs 5 October	Year 6	Clarinet Lesson	
Weds 11 October	Year 4	Swimming Lesson 4	12:30 to 15:30
Thurs 12 October	Year 6	Clarinet Lesson	
Mon 16 October	Whole School	Individual (& Junior School sibling) photographs	
Mon 16 October	Y6 Aviemore	Forest Schools	Children to arrive in Forest Schools kit and bring uniform to change into
Weds 18 October	Year 4	Swimming Lesson 5	12:30-15:30
Thurs 19 October	Year 6	Clarinet Lesson	

PARENT VOLUNTEERS

If you are interested in becoming a parent volunteer, you will need to attend a safeguarding training session along with holding a valid DBS. If you are not currently on the DBS Update Service, then we will need to complete a new application. Please email the following information to the School Business Manager (SBM), sbm@west-byfleet-junior.surrey.sch.uk : **Title, first name, surname, address (including post code), date of birth, telephone number and email address.**

Once this information has been entered by the SBM you will be sent a link to complete further information directly by the DBS provider (Strictly Education). You will then need to arrange to meet the SBM with a minimum of **three forms** of ID to include: **Your date of birth, address, name change (if applicable).**

When you have received your DBS certificate, please bring it to the school office to show us and then register with the DBS Update Service within 30 days of the certificate issue date.

Stars of the Week

PowerPoints can be found on the pupil zone section of the website.

National Child Measurement Programme

The NHS Nursing Team will be in school on Monday to record the height and weight measurements of Year 6 children.

It is important that you complete the electronic consent form
<https://www.cfhschilddevelopment.co.uk/Form/NCMP> even if you do not wish for your child to take part. Enter our school's unique code: SR125081.

Thought for the week...

A LITTLE CONSIDERATION, A LITTLE
THOUGHT FOR OTHERS, MAKES ALL THE
DIFFERENCE.

- A. A. MILNE -

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Unauthorised Absence from School

Just to remind parents/carers that if you take your child/ren out of school without authority for five or more days (which do not have to be consecutive), you will be liable to receive a penalty notice. Currently the amount payable under a penalty notice is £60.00 per parent/carer per child if paid within 21 days. Thereafter the amount increases to £120.00 if paid between 21 and 28 days. If the penalty notice remains unpaid after 28 days, the Local Authority will consider a prosecution in the Magistrates Court. Please note that penalty notices are issued per parent/carer

