

West Byfleet Junior School Week ending: Friday 3 November 2023

Primary Science Quality Mark Achieved

Primary Science Quality Marks have been awarded to 425 nursery, infant, junior, primary, middle, international and special schools this month to celebrate their commitment to excellence in science leadership, teaching and learning. So far, since its national launch in 2010, more than 5000 Primary Science Quality Marks (PSQM) have been awarded, creating a solid foundation of quality science education for over 1,000,000 children. PSQM is a comprehensive evidence-based professional development programme that effectively develops science leadership, ensuring teachers have the knowledge, capability and support they need to transform science education and shape future generations. The Primary Science Quality Mark is led by the University of Hertfordshire. Helen Sizer, PSQM Co-Director said: "By enabling effective science leadership, PSQM is powering the potential of all children to see the relevance and importance of science in their lives, now and in the future. Schools that have achieved a Primary Science Quality Mark have demonstrated a significant commitment to science leadership, teaching and learning and the profile and quality of science in each accredited school is very high. Science subject leaders, their colleagues, Headteachers, children, parents and governors should be very proud." A HUGE thank you to Mrs Turitto for leading Science in our school and working incredibly hard to achieve the PSQM for our school. It is indeed a very prestigious award and we are very proud of the Science teaching led by Mrs Turitto in our school.

Woking Twinning Town Football

On Wednesday we had the incredible opportunity to attend and take part in Woking Town's first twinning football tournament at the Hermitage school. Woking is twinned with Le Plessis-Robinsonin in France and a young football team from the French town have spent a week in England getting to know the culture, attend events and to make stronger links with schools in the district. One of the these events was a mini friendly football tournament, that included

ourselves, The Hermitage, Barnsbury and of course the team from Le Plessis-Robinsonin. Those who attended took part in a wonderful, inspiring and historic event, the first of its kind in Woking and represented the school in an impeccable and commendable manner, enjoying themselves in the process. Congratulations to all those involved in organising such a fantastic event. Thank you to Mr Schofield for organising the team for the event and to Mrs Mallinson our French Lead for developing the connection with our twin school.

Beaver of the Year

Congratulations to Harry for being awarded Beaver of the Year at 1st West Byfleet Scout group, very well deserved.

If you have any exciting news to share about events or achievements your child has taken part in and would like to share, please email me or the office.

Gymnastics Success

On Sunday, Edward represented the South East Region at the 'National Men's Artistic Gymnastic Grade Championships' in Telford. Edward, still only eight years old, competed at Level One with boys who are nine - he was the youngest competitor at the event! Once he had got over some early nerves his scores

were excellent, and he contributed to an overall score that won the South East team a silver medal. Edward, who is a member of the elite boys' squad at Woking Gymnastics Club, has worked incredibly hard to achieve such a high level and fully deserves his medal. Well done Edward!

Higgins Partnership Development

A reminder to send any questions you would like the children to ask the developers about the new West Byfleet development by Monday 6 November. Thank you to those who have sent in questions already to office@west-byfleet-junior.surrey.sch.uk











PTA Fireworks TONIGHT

We are all so excited about this evening's event. Hope to see lots of you there.

Lockdown Siren

On Thursday we carried out a Lockdown Siren test to alert new children and remind everyone of its sound in readiness for a Lockdown drill next week.

Open Mornings and Parental Consultations

Many thanks to all the parents who attended our Open Mornings this week, it was really lovely to see so many parents attending and being able to see the work their children have done this first half term. A reminder that next week the Parental Consultations are taking place.

Headteacher Recruitment

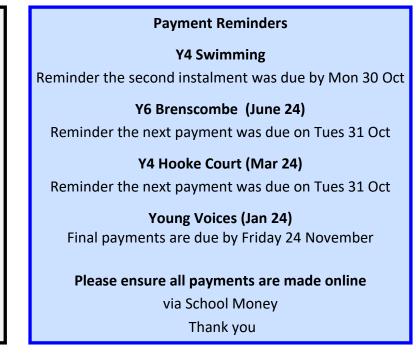
To update you regarding the recruitment process for a new Headteacher for September 2024, an advert was posted on 20 October and visits to school have been arranged with prospective candidates for this week and next week. We will keep you informed.

Attendance Letters

Each half term as a result of attendance analysis I will be sending stage 1 attendance letters to parents of children whose attendance has dropped below 90%. This represents Persistent Absence. Whilst there may be often valid reasons, this is still part of our procedure and is aimed at making parents aware, and trying to ensure attendance rises again at least in line with 95% (National expectations for attendance).

Have a lovely weekend

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 per child so a family of two parents and two children will receive 4 penalty notices. Surrey County Council is not responsible for authorising pupil absence and therefore cannot withdraw any Penalty Notice requests without the written permission of the Headteacher.



The next SEND Meeting for parents will be on Tuesday 21 November at 2pm. We have invited Leigh Moir, an Occupational Therapist, to share information about the Senses. Leigh will provide advice and strategies to support Sensory Needs and Sensory Regulation. Refreshments will be available.

Diary Reminders & Updates Newsletter week ending Friday 3 November 2023

DATE	YR GP/CLASS	EVENT	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
Mon 6 Nov		Parent Consultations - in person	16:00-18:50
Mon 6 Nov		Y4 Football Tournament (Halstead St Andrews School)	
Tue 7 Nov		WASPs Autumn Aspire Sports Festival (selected children) 09:30-15:0	
Wed 8 Nov		Parenting Puzzle Workshop	09:30-11:30
Wed 8 Nov		Parent Consultations - via zoom	15:40-18:00
Wed 8 Nov	Y4	Swimming (session 7)	
Fri 10 Nov		Governors C&L Meeting	08:00-10:00
Fri 10 Nov		Y4 Girls Football vs St Dunstan's School	13:00-16:00
Mon 13 Nov	Windermere	Forest Schools—session 1	
Mon 13 Nov		Odd Socks Day	
Tue 14 Nov	Y6	Hobgoblin Theatre Visit The Thompson's War	
Wed 15 Nov		NHS Immunisation Flu Session	
Wed 15 Nov		Parenting Puzzle Workshop	09:30-11:30
Thur 16 Nov	Y5	Hampton Court Trip	
Fri 17 Nov		Sports Crew Training Royal Holloway College	08:30-11:00

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



TTRS Weekly Awards

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<u>Year 3</u>

Highest number of corr	ect answers, in the last wee	k:
1 st place: Grant M	2 nd Place: Charlotte R	3 rd Place: David H
Biggest improvement in	accuracy:	
1 st place: Coco D	2 nd Place: Zhi Ruo C	3 rd Place: Madeleine G

<u>Year 4</u>

Highest number of corr	rect answers, in the last wee	k:
1 st place: Neha R	2 nd Place: Phoenix J	3 rd Place: Ehan H
Biggest improvement in	accuracy:	
1 st place: Milton E	2 nd Place: Oliver D	3 rd Place: Mila P

<u>Year 5</u>

Highest number of corr	ect answers, in the last wee	k:
1 st place: Lyla-Elyss P	2 nd Place: Abby C	3 rd Place: Ben H
Biggest improvement in	accuracy:	
1 st place: Annabel A	2 nd Place: Max R	3 rd Place: Lily W

<u>Year 6</u>

Highest number of correct answers, in the last week:1st place: Neva G2nd Place: James L3d Place: Matthew BBiggest improvement in accuracy:1st place: Leonie K2nd Place: Matilda G3rd Place: Bethany K

Current school 'Rock Heroes' who can recall their times tables in less than one second James L Adam K Ahmed-Raza H Kai S Lyla-Elyss P Leo C Matthew B Joseph O



Problem of the Week Results

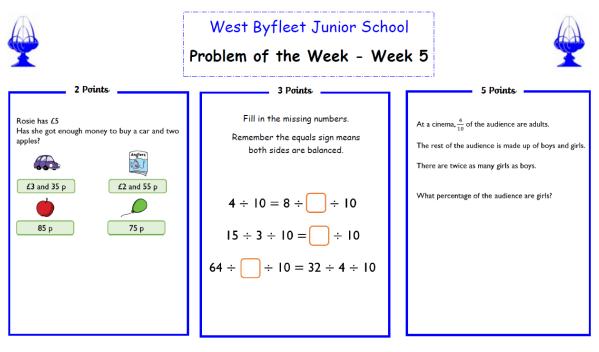
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West Byfleet Junior School - Problem of the Week Leaderboard - Week Four

Position	Name	Year Group	Points
1	Aaron D	4	40
1	Aaron G	6	40
1	Elijah A	5	40
1	Luca C	4	40
1	Lyla - Elyss P	5	40
1	Olivia H	4	40
2	Bella S	6	39
2	Rose C-J	4	39
2	Vineeth P	5	39
3	Nahla G	4	38
11	Grant	3	35
12	Harry A	4	35
13	Ben H	5	34
14	Gus P	4	31
15	Jackson L	4	31
16	James R	4	30
17	Matilda G	6	29
18	Jay S	4	27
19	Charlie H	3	23
20	Oscar H	3	23
21	Otis T	5	19
22	Mavis W	3	15
23	Myren P	6	15
24	David H	3	14
25	Leo M	5	14
26	Keon B	4	13
27	Kai S	5	11
28	George R	3	10
29	Hansel S	3	10
30	Andrii K	3	8

Whole School Leaderboard – Autumn

If points are the same, position will be in alphabetical order



All Problems, solutions and leaderboards can be found on the school website

(Pupils tab - Problem of the Week)

This week's problem due by Tuesday 7 November

WHOLE SCHOOL



CAKE BAKE

Raising funds for Enrichment Activities!

We would like <u>EVERYONE</u> to bring in cakes or biscuits to sell, preferably homemade but bought is fine—large or small, we don't mind.

On Friday 17th November please bring in your cake donations and 50p so you can buy a cake to eat at break time!

This is a fundraising event so cakes will only be exchanged for money.

Any remaining cakes will be sold after school.

NO NUTS and include an ingredients list.



Woking District Girls Football—Season 23-24

Represent all the primary schools in Woking by playing in the hugely successful Woking Girls District Football Teams!

U11 Girls Team Criteria

Girls in School Years 5 & 6 (from September 2023)

Aptitude in football

Development Squads Criteria

Girls in School Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 Want to improve football skills

What is District Football?

District football involves playing for Woking Schools against other girls from other districts. It is a very high level of football and can be considered a huge achievement to be asked to play out of all the girls in Woking! A lot of girls use us as a platform to higher level football, including Regional Talent Centres.

Who are Woking Schools Football Association?

Woking Primary Schools F.A. represent Woking Primary Schools and have been running a district football team for girls for 17 years now. We are a fun, friendly and dedicated association who offer football sessions to challenge talented girls, or for girls who want to quickly improve their skills to a higher level by training in our development squads. Girls who play for us can also play for other clubs.

We compete in the following: Surrey Girls District League Surrey Girls District Tournament London Girls District League Southern Counties Girls League Southern Counties Girls Cup Southern Counties Girls Trophy ESFA National Girls Cup ...as well as many other events!

For further trial information, contact us at wokingpsfa@gmail.com

Woking District Boys Football—Season 23-24

Do you want to represent Woking District in the 2023/24 Season with the Woking Boys Football Team?

We are looking for *boys in school Years 5 and 6* who have an aptitude in football to join our development squad this season. From our development squad, we will select a district team for next season at our trials.

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- We compete in the following: - Surrey District League - Southern Counties League - Southern Counties Cup - Southern Counties League Cup - Shires Cup - Gills Trophy - National Cup
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