

West Byfleet Junior School Week ending: Friday 24 November 2023



Headteacher Recruitment

The Governors will be interviewing for a new Headteacher on Tuesday 28 and Wednesday 29 November. Three candidates have been invited to interview. Further updates to follow next week.

Anxiety Workshop

Yesterday, we had Aimee Arias, from Mindworks Surrey, deliver a workshop on how to support your child if they suffer from anxiety. It was extremely informative and we thank all parents that attended and gave feedback. Slides will be sent out in due course.

Sports Crew

Many thanks to our wonderful Sports Crew for their assemblies to the whole school this week introducing our Daily Mile challenges. It has got off to a great start with children really enthused about running their 6 laps to achieve their Daily Mile. The children are out there each lunchtime monitoring the children and their Daily Mile passports. We will update on how many miles each week the school has managed to complete.

Butser Farm

Year 4 had a brilliant time at Butser Ancient Farm this week, to support their topic on Anglo Saxons and Vikings. The weather stayed dry and the children enjoyed having a go at wattling, chalk carving and jewellery making, as well as seeing how the buildings would have looked and been made at the time. Thank you ever so much to the parents and helpers who supported the children on the trip.

Science Activity

Year 4 welcomed Dr Richard Metcalfe from Bishop David Brown school on Thursday. The children have been learning about renewable energy as part of their topic on electricity and Dr Metcalfe brought along an array of science equipment to support them in making their own wind turbines and investigating how to produce more wind, therefore making more electricity. The children loved their session and made the most of the opportunity. Thanks to Mrs Turitto and Mrs Sheen for organising.

Shine Award

Akira (Year 3) won the Shine Award in the 'being a sport category' for her dedication to performing arts at Stage Coach as well as encouraging her friends to put up small shows and perform in front of family and friends.

Wishing you a relaxing weekend.







Year 4 Swimming: Focus of the week:

The final lesson was for all children to complete their current new 'School Swim Stage'. Certificates will be given to all Year 4 children who have taken part in swimming, by the end of term. Well done Year 4!

Stars of the Week

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

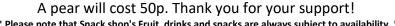
Diary Reminders & Updates Newsletter week ending Friday 24 November 2023 Please check weekly, as dates are occasionally subject to change

DATE	YR GP/CLASS	EVENT	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION	
Mon 27 Nov	Tate	Forest Schools - session 1	Children to arrive in Forest School kit and bring uniform in bag	
Mon 27 Nov		Deadline for returning Guildford Cathedral Figures	Figures to Miss Heatley (Darwin)	
Wed 29 Nov		Parenting Puzzle Workshop	9.30-11.30	
Thur 30 Nov	Y5	Astronomy Roadshow		
Fri 1 Dec	Tate	Forest Schools - session 2	Children to arrive in Forest School kit and bring uniform in bag	
Sat 2 Dec		PTA & PFA Christmas Fair	12:00-15:00	
Mon 4 Dec	Tate	Forest Schools - session 3	Children to arrive in Forest School kit and bring uniform in bag	
Mon 4-Fri 8 Dec	Y6	Level 1 Bikeability (those who have registered on course with SCC)		
Mon 4 Dec	Whole School	Hobgoblin Theatre Production "The Great Christmas Robbery"		
Tue 5 Dec		Second Hand Christmas Jumper Sale	15:20, Field Gate	
Wed 6 Dec		Parenting Puzzle Workshop	9.30-11.30	
Thur 7 Dec	Y3	Prehistoric Workshop - Chertsey Museum		
Thur 7 Dec		Young Carers Club	12:05-13:05	
Fri 8 Dec		Christmas Jumper Day	Wear a Christmas Jumper with your school uniform	
Fri 8 Dec		PTA "Elfridges" Shop, Second Hand Uniform Sale & Year 3 Bake Off	Uniform Sale and Bake Off Sale at 3.15pm, Field Gate	
Mon 11 Dec	Eden	Forest Schools -session 1	Children to arrive in Forest School kit and bring uniform in bag	
Mon 11 Dec		Parent Rep Meeting with Mrs Frommholz	09:30 (via zoom)	
Mon 11 Dec	Y5	"Shakespeare Rocks"	1:45-15:00	
Tue 12 Dec	Y5	"Shakespeare Rocks"	09:15-10:30	
Tue 12 Dec	Y5	"Shakespeare Rocks"	18:30-19:45	
Wed 13 Dec		Years 5 & 6 Christmas Lunch		

Diary Reminders & Updates continued Wed 13 Dec Parenting Puzzle Workshop 09:30-11:30 Thur 14 Dec Y3 & Y4 Years 3 & 4 Carol Service 09:15-10:15 Thur 14 Dec Y5 & Y6 Years 5 & 6 Carol Service 11:00-12:00 Thur 14 Dec Years 3 and 4 Christmas Lunch Fri 15 Dec **Enrichment Morning** Fri 15 Dec School Finishes for Holidays 13:30

School Council: Our first Apple Sale was a success!

Thank you to all our lovely pupil customers. Fruit day next week: School Council will be selling aromatic and exceptionally sweet *Doyenné du Comice* Pears at break time on Wednesday 29 November.







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.





TTRS Weekly Awards

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Year 3

Highest number of correct answers, in the last week:

1st place: Andrii K 2nd Place: Chase L 3rd Place: Luca R

Biggest improvement in accuracy:

1st place: Harely W 2nd Place: Pippa E 3rd Place: Hansel S

Year 4

Highest number of correct answers, in the last week:

 1^{st} place: Phoenix J 2^{nd} Place: Luca C 3rd Place: Ehan H

Biggest improvement in accuracy:

1st place: Jack M 2nd Place: Olivia S 3rd Place: Evie T

Year 5

Highest number of correct answers, in the last week:

1st place: Kai 5 2nd Place: Lyla-Elyss P 3rd Place: Otis T

Biggest improvement in accuracy

1st place: Tommy H 2nd Place: Max R 3rd Place: Jude H

Year 6

Highest number of correct answers, in the last week:

1st place: Matthew B 2nd Place: Sam B 3rd Place: Aaron G

Biggest improvement in accuracy:

1st place: Leonie K 2nd Place: Leonard M 3rd Place: Adriana V

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 Seven

Whole School Leaderboard – Autumn

Position	Name	Year Group	Points
1	Aaron G	6	69
1	Elijah A	5	69
1	Luca C	4	69
1	Olivia H	4	69
1	Rose C-J	4	69
2	Lyla - Elyss P	5	68
3	Bella S	6	66
3	Vineeth P	5	66
9	Nahla G	4	63
10	Grant M	3	62
11	Ben H	5	61
12	Aaron D	4	60
13	Gus P	4	60
14	Matilda G	6	59
15	James R	4	58
16	Harry A	4	55
17	Charlie H	3	50
18	Jackson L	4	50
19	Oscar H	3	50
20	Jay S	4	47
21	Otis T	5	29
22	David H	3	26
23	Mavis W	3	24
24	Hansel S	3	19
25	Andrii K	3	18
26	Myren P	6	15
27	Leo M	5	14
28	Keon B	4	13
29	Alifiya H	4	12
30	Kai S	5	11

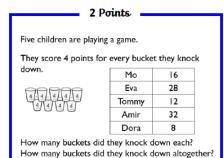
If points are the same, position will be in alphabetical order



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Problem of the Week - Week 8



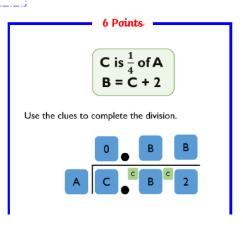


TIP: The second column shows the number of points they earnt.

I am thinking of 2 numbers where the sum of the numbers is 15 and the product is 54

What are my numbers?

You will need to know what sum means and what product means to solve correctly.



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 21 November

If emailing, please use the new email address:

potw@west-byfleet-junior.surrey.sch.uk





Get ready for some festive fun and excitement!

The BIG Christmas Raffle is back and it's packed with incredible prizes that will make your holiday season even merrier.

Date & Time of Draw: Saturday, 2nd December, at 2:30 pm

Be within a chance to win some amazing prizes by buying your tickets at: www.pta-events.co.uk/westbyfleetjuniorschoolpta

Thank you for your support, and best of luck to everyone!





We are seeking a Santa and some Elves for our **Christmas Fayre on Saturday 2 December**, if you can help, please let the PTA know via email at wbjspta@west-byfleet-junior.surrey.sch.uk.

We are also looking for additional helpers to run some stalls, without your help we cannot run these, children are allowed to help you on the stalls, please take note that between 1.30pm-2pm the WBJS Choir will be singing. Please sign up where you can: https://www.slottr.com/sheets/18280119

Looking forward to kick starting Christmas with you all on 2nd December!

PTA

Surrey County Council encourages residents to offer Supported Lodgings/Fostering

Supported Lodgings, and Fostering are both incredibly rewarding experiences that can transform the lives of both the children/young people being supported and the carers' themselves. Children and young people who enter the care system have often experienced trauma and instability in their lives, and a stable and supportive carer family can make a significant difference in their wellbeing and development.

Nationally, there are currently over 70,000 children living with carer families in the UK. However, there is still a significant shortage of Supported Lodgings and foster carers, with around 9,265 new carer families needed in the next year alone. In Surrey, there are over 1,000 children in care and Surrey County Council have just under 400 carer families.

Supported Lodgings is targeted at young adults aged 16-21 to help them build their independence skills ready to live independently in the future, from the security of a caring, stable home environment.

Supported Lodgings Carers and Foster carers come from all walks of life and backgrounds, and there is no one-size -fits-all approach to caring. Whether you are single or married, young or old, own your own home or rent, you can still become a carer. The most important thing is a willingness to provide a safe and loving home for a child in need.

This is the message that Surrey County Council is promoting in national recruitment film 'Any of Us'. The short film has been jointly funded by over 80 councils across England and aims to raise awareness about fostering, particularly among those people who may not have previously considered themselves suited to caring for vulnerable children and young people. The film looks at the potential of three people from different backgrounds to become carers, and the potential of children they care for to grow and thrive. 'Any of Us' is available to watch from the 26th September.

If you have ever thought about fostering, or offering Supported Lodgings, now is the time to take that first step and find out more. The more people who consider caring, the greater the chance of finding loving, stable homes for children in Surrey who desperately need them.

You can contact Surrey County Council Fostering Service on 0300 123 1620 (this is the General Fostering Duty telephone, please ask for the Supported Lodgings worker, when connected), via email at supportedlodgings@surreycc.gov.uk or by visiting the website; www.surreycc.gov.uk/fostering

You can watch 'Any of Us' via Any of Us - YouTube and connect with the Fostering Service on social media via @surreyfostering"



