

WEXHAM COURT PRIMARY SCHOOL



Monday 16th November – Friday 20th November 2015

Important Dates:

- ★ Wednesday 25th November – Mrs Aslam & Mrs Thistle helping parents with Reception applications (9am & 12:30pm)
- ★ Wednesday 25th November – Level 2 Bikeability Cycle Training in school (10am-12pm) (letters have gone out about this)
- ★ Thursday 26th November – Year 6 trip to Slough Baptist Church (9:45-11:30am)
- ★ Thursday 26th November – Level 2 Bikeability Cycle Training in school (10am-12pm)
- ★ Friday 27th November – Year 4 Parents invited in to observe literacy lesson (9-10am)
- ★ Friday 27th November – Year 1 Parents in for Great Fire of London recreation (1:20pm)

Top Attendance

- 1st – Chile – 99.3%
 2nd – Nepal – 98.7%
 3rd – Italy & France – 98%

Mathletics:

- 1st – 4KG
 2nd – 6SB
 3rd – 6VB
 4th – 6HM, 4MO & 3SF

House Points

- 1st Place – Majestic Oak
 2nd Place – Horse Chestnut
 3rd Place – Sycamore
 4th Place – Copper Beech

Stars of the Week



Hedgehog RSB
 Badger REL
 Squirrels RKW
 Fiji 1RV
 Tonga 1FLB
 Australia 1MS
 Mexico 2CC
 Jamaica 2LK
 Canada 2MO
 Chile 3SF
 Peru 3TM

Erin
 Saaliha
 Jasdeep
 Zakaria R
 Amelia
 Qadar
 Zakaria
 Layla
 Ruby
 Shivani
 Taranpreet

Ecuador 3TG
 Morocco 4AM
 Tanzania 4KG
 Mozambique 4MO
 Italy 5AP
 France 5CK
 Hungary 5LH
 Nepal 6SB
 Thailand 6VB
 China 6HM

Isaac
 Paige
 Chantelle
 Laylah
 Mia
 Huma
 Alisha
 Jasleen
 Madiha
 Nabiha

Parent Consultations

It was lovely to see you all at parent consultations this week. We had some lovely comments from parents, for which I am grateful. I hope you too felt that the pupils had produced some good work and progress was evident from their books.

You will have agreed a target with your child's teacher, which will be sent to you next week. Please work on this as it will be reviewed next time. During the evening we had various leaflets displayed across the school regarding spelling, reading lists, handwriting style, Athletics, Spelldrome and MyMaths. If you require any more information about any of these, please ask at the office. All children should be logging on to these programmes and doing their homework through the MyMaths site.

It would be very helpful if parents could rehearse the handwriting style at home, over and over again – alongside tables, spellings and reading. These things require constant revision but have a big impact, more so than any other homework.

Black History

This week at Wexham Court, the children have been learning about Black History. The focus this year has been on Black British people who have shown resilience to achieve whatever it was they wanted to achieve. It was interesting speaking with the children about what they learnt. I was particularly impressed when children in Year 3 were able to speak about Member of Parliament, Diane Abbot, the first black lady to gain a seat in the Houses of Parliament! Year 3 explained that we should all be given the same opportunities whatever our race, gender or religion. What wise children we have!

Year 6 spoke confidently about how they are inspired by the political campaigner Doreen Lawrence who has shown resilience in campaigning for justice after her son was sadly killed in a racist attack. They have learnt about how awful racism truly is and understand the importance of treating everyone fairly.

Across the school the message was clear: we do not tolerate racism! It was lovely to hear that our children understand that there are no barriers stopping us from becoming whatever it is we wish to become!!

The various year groups covered the following topics:

- Reception & Nursery – public figures in education, politics and jobs such as teachers.
- Year 1 – authors and poets. The main focus was Benjamin Zephaniah who is a poet, performer, writer and cultural commentator.
- Year 2 – people in sports. The children focused on people who have struggled to get where they are because of their race e.g. Viv Anderson.
- Year 3 – people in politics. The children focused on political figures in the UK eg Dame Jocelyn Barrow.
- Year 4 – Queen Charlotte (18th Century).
- Year 5 – people and the war.
- Year 6 – Doreen Lawrence's Campaign.

Photographs

Individual and sibling photographs will be available soon and went well.

Charity Collections

I am pleased to announce that we have totalled up the monies collected for Children in Need and for the Poppy Appeal. We have raised the following amounts:

Poppy Appeal: £244.74
Children in Need: £570.17

Thank you to everyone for your generosity and support for these great causes. The children in particular, have made me proud with their spirit of giving.

Bikeability Training

Level 2 Bikeability training will be taking place in school on Wednesday 25th and Thursday 26th November for Years 5 and 6. The children will start on the Upper Primary playground and then be taken off-site onto the road, as the trainers feel the children are more confident. Please ensure that if your child is taking part they bring in their own helmet and lock for their bike. All bikes must be stored in the bike shed when the children arrive in the morning.

Great Fire of London

During their history and design technology lessons Year 1 have been learning about the Great Fire of London and have been constructing houses from that era. To bring the topic to life they have planned to recreate the great fire on the lower play ground on **Friday 27th November**. Parents are invited to come and experience the fire with your child and would have received a letter about this already. We can unfortunately, only accommodate one adult per child. Please be in the school's main reception by 1:20pm and the event will start at 1:30pm – however, if it rains that day the event may have to be rescheduled or cancelled.

Year 4 Talk For Writing

Parents are invited in to observe Talk For Writing. When you drop your children off in the morning please come into the classroom and stay to help with reading or early morning work. We will begin the literacy lesson at 9:15am and you will be able to observe how we use Talk For Writing in our literacy lessons. Letters will go out, please ensure that you complete and return the slip to your child's class teacher.

Cold Weather

Finally with the weather taking a turn, please ensure children have appropriate clothing and footwear. They **MUST** have a coat each day! During PE they are expected to go outside and so will need tracksuit bottoms and jumper (not school jumper as it may get damp or dirty). As it gets windy please avoid the temptation to drive pupils to the gate and ask them to jump out and run in.

Have a lovely weekend
Kind Regards,

Miss Mehat

Assembly Theme for Week Beginning Monday 23rd November:

Anti-Bullying Week/Mutual Respect (British Values)

Collective Worship:

Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur Sahib (Sikh)