

West Twyford Primary School Newsletter

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Welcome Back!

It has been lovely to see our children back in school this week. Despite the very hot weather it has been a really positive start to the new school year. The children have returned enthusiastic and well-rested to start the new year. As usual our wonderful staff have worked very hard preparing the year and helping the children to get settled into their learning as quickly as possible. Our new staff: Miss Wilkinson, Miss Rombough, Miss Watson, Mrs Ishaque, Miss Bravo, Miss Faris, Miss Taffe and Mr Holland have made a great start and already feel like part of the team.

We want to work together with you and your support makes a huge difference. We will be holding our Meet the Teacher meetings in the next few weeks and these are great opportunities to meet the staff and find out key information about your child's new year. Our curriculum overviews are coming home today so you and your child will know what they will be learning ([please click here to read](#)).

Attendance and Punctuality: A very important thing you can do for your child's education is to make sure they are in school everyday. Everyday is important and has key learning experiences; children with poor attendance do not achieve as well as others. Please note that children are not allowed time off school for holidays. Any absence from school must be requested at least two weeks before and it is very unlikely to be authorised. **Taking your child out of school will very likely result in you receiving a substantial fine.** School starts at 8.55am and all children will need to be in school by then—our gates open at 8.45am.

Uniform: Please ensure that you child has the correct uniform for school. This ensures that children are sensibly dressed and ready to learn. Girls are no longer to wear dark blue—it needs to be grey—and children need to have school shoes not trainers. We have regular secondhand uniform sales and please let us know if you are experiencing financial difficulty—we will always try to help. Please check the school uniform guide by clicking [here](#).

Free school meals: All children in reception to year 6 are now eligible for a free school meal. Please make sure you have registered for this. If you still want your child to bring a packed lunch, please check our **Packed lunch policy and guidance** by clicking [here](#).

We are always here to help and if you have any questions or concerns, please contact the school office by phone (02089656858) or email admin@west-twyford.ealing.sch.uk or please pop into the office.

I am looking forward to a very successful year ahead. Matthew Shapland, Headteacher

Our New Sports Coach

We are very pleased to welcome Mr Holland to our team. He will be with us Monday to Friday and will teach PE to all classes. He will also be running after school multisports and football clubs.



Music Lessons

Keyboard and guitar lessons for years 4,5 and 6 will be restarting soon and we will have new places available. Music lessons are a wonderful opportunity for your child and have many benefits including supporting their academic learning. Our lessons are very reasonably priced and guitar lessons are free for children who receive the pupil premium. Look out for letters next week

Role Models of the Week

Well done to the following children for their outstanding learning and behaviour in school this week!

Behaviour Award: Sara & Liyan (Year 1), Aria & Ibrahim (Year 2), Sara & Gurnoor (Year 3), Maria & Kaavin (Year 4), Amr & Sophie (Year 5), Nasir & Mansoor (Year 6)

Learning Award: Barzan & Rashed (Year 1), Jaycee & Aalia (Year 2), Malachi & Fuad (Year 3), Santiago & Asil (Year 4), Paris & Ella (Year 5), Sultan & Adai (Year 6)

Attendance Certificates of the Week!

Unfortunately no classes achieved our target of 96% this week.

Please make sure your child is in school everyday!

Punctuality Cup: most punctual children this week! **Year 1 Willow**

Lunchtime Stars: 1 Willow