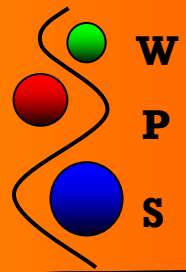


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Attendance

Class	Attendance for the period 01-07-2024 to 05-07-2024 Target 97%
RA	95.6%
RB	95.6%
1A	93.3%
1H	90.6%
2K	100%
2Y	100%
3A	99.5%
3K	100%
4F	96.8%
4S	100%
5A	98.4%
5B	100%
6D	96.6%
6P	95.7%
Overall School	97.3%

Our attendance target is
97%

Please can we remind parents that any leave requests during term-time will be denied. Time taken during school term time may result in fines administered by the Council and may result in court action.

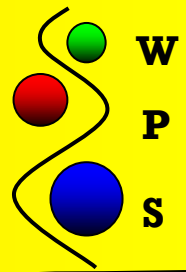
Uniform

From September 2024, we will start the launch of our new school logo. Our new logo will now appear on our school blazers. From September, children in Years 1-6 will be expected to wear the new school blazer. We will be providing each child with a new blazer and tie free of charge. On Tuesday 16th July, we will be emailing out a voucher to parents that will enable you to pick up a school blazer and tie from our uniform providers. Our new school uniform will be supplied by Gogna Schoolwear, Rookery Road, Handsworth, Birmingham. Items will be available by Wednesday 17th July (except the V neck jumper for years 1 to 6 will be available two weeks later). You will need to take the voucher code that we will issue with you along with proof of ID for yourself (driving licence, passport) and a utility bill (gas, electric, home telephone bill). The voucher is only towards the cost of a Westminster blazer and tie. We will be providing you with a leaflet with details of the uniform on Tuesday next week. Children must wear BLACK SCHOOL SHOES (trainers will not be accepted in September)



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A word about PE kit...

Please note that our exceptionally smart new PE kit will also be available through Gogna Schoolwear. We also accept plain black jogging bottoms and a white polo shirt as an alternative PE kit.

Please note that NO OTHER TYPE OF SPORTSWEAR WILL BE ACCEPTED.



End of Year Parties

End of year parties will be taking place on Thursday 18th July 2024 for children in Reception to Year 6. This will be a non-uniform day and children will be able to come to school in their party clothes on that day if they wish. Please note that due to graduation, Year 6 CHILDREN WILL NEED TO COME IN THEIR UNIFORMS and bring party clothes in a bag.) Please ensure your child wears sensible footwear, no heeled shoes or slides. Children are welcome to bring in party food; this must be unopened, packaged food with ingredients clearly labelled. **Please ensure you do not send any products containing nuts into school.**

Parties for Nursery children will take place on Wednesday 17th July.

Nursery Graduation

Nursery will be having their graduation ceremony on Monday 15th July 2024. The morning session will take place at 9.15am. Then afternoon session will start at 2.30pm. Please ensure that you use the Westminster Road entrance when arriving for the event. Please be prompt in arriving so that we are able to start on time.

Year 6 Graduation

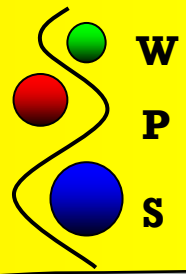
Year 6 graduation will take place on Thursday 18th July at 9.30am. Please ensure your child comes to school in their school uniform. They can bring their party clothes in a separate bag.

Year 6 production

The Year 6 production of 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory' will take place on Monday 15th July at 2pm and Wednesday 17th July at 9.30am.

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Culture Day

Next Tuesday 16th July 2024, we will be having our annual 'Culture Day' in school.

This will be an opportunity for us to highlight and celebrate all of the cultures that are represented at Westminster, once again.

We are inviting all children to **wear clothing that represents the culture** of their families. All children will take home a simple **research sheet** with questions about their culture. Please help your child to complete this because it is important that all of the children take part. During the Culture Day, the teachers will support the children to share information about their culture, with the rest of their class.

The day will begin with an assembly to develop the children's understanding of culture. There will also be international lunch options with food from Europe, Asia, Africa and the Americas.

We are looking forward to an exciting day and would like to thank you in advance for your support.

SEND Roadmap

Our SEND Roadmap group had their end of year celebration today. Many thanks to Joy Krishna for supporting us to set the group up. The SEND Roadmap has supported our families who have children on the SEND register, especially the families who have children with or are in the process of getting a diagnosis of autism.

Thank you to our parent lead, Mrs Masuma Begum, for supporting the group this year. We hope to start the SEND Roadmap again in September 2024.



Leavers

It's almost the end of the year and this year we will be saying goodbye to the following people who are moving on to pursue other things in life!!

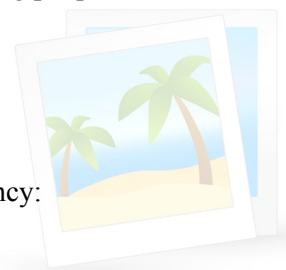
Farewell to our school staff:

Mrs S.Devi, Miss A.Parveen, Mrs R.Shah, Miss H.Kaur, Mrs S.Naz

Also goodbye to the following members of staff who have supported us through agency:

Miss H.Banga (Year 4), Miss R.Ahmed (Nursery).

We would like to thank them all for their hard work and commitment and wish them all the very best in their new ventures.



Dates for your diary 2024-2025

Fri 19th July: Pupils break up for Summer holidays

Wed 4th September: Pupils start back at school for new academic year



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Educational Visits

Reception trip to Hatton

We are excited to share the wonderful experiences children had during our recent visit to Hatton Farm. The trip was not only enjoyable but also incredibly educational, leaving the children with lasting memories and a deeper understanding of animal care and habitats.

At Hatton Farm, the children were immersed in the diverse and vibrant world of farm animals. They learned about the various habitats each animal thrives in, gaining insights into the natural environments that support their growth.

One of the most thrilling aspects of the trip was the opportunity to handle the animals. Under the careful guidance of the farm staff, the children learned how to approach and handle the animals gently and with care. This hands-on experience not only built their confidence but also fostered a sense of empathy and respect for living creatures.

Overall, it was heartwarming to see the children's faces light up with curiosity and joy as they learned and interacted with the animals. This experience has not only enriched their knowledge but also instilled a deeper appreciation for nature and animal welfare. We are grateful for your support in making this trip possible and look forward to more such enriching experiences in the future.



Year 5 visit to Peak District

Year 5 recently embarked on an exhilarating trip to the Peak District, where they put their newly acquired map navigation skills to the test using 8 compass points. Navigating their way towards Thorpe Cloud across diverse landscapes, the children demonstrated remarkable resilience and willpower as they tackled the various ascents and descents. Despite the challenging nature of the experience, their determination and teamwork shone through.

The highlight of their adventure was a delightful picnic by the serene River Dove, followed by being captivated by the breathtaking panoramic views. Well done to all the children for their hard work and perseverance, making this adventure a memorable and rewarding experience!



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Educational Visits

Year 4 visit to Roman Baths

Year 4 recently enjoyed an educational trip to the Roman Baths, filled with hands-on activities and exciting discoveries. They participated in workshops where they learned how to wear togas and tunics, crafted intricate Roman mosaics, and explored various ancient artefacts. The budding archaeologists even took part in an archaeological dig, uncovering hidden treasures. Using iPads, the children engaged with 3D scanners to delve deeper into their findings. The highlight was a guided tour of the magnificent Roman Baths, where history came alive before their eyes. This immersive experience enriched their knowledge and left them with cherished memories of a remarkable day.



Year 6 visit to Drayton Manor

Year 6 visited Drayton Manor last week and had a wonderful time! The children had the chance to experience a host of thrilling and exhilarating rides whilst the less adventurous amongst them (mainly the Year 6 teachers!) got to experience the more gentler (and less scary) rides!!

Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the day and came back exhausted but happy!



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Sports Clubs

A Year of sports fun and fitness: Our Sports Clubs Review

As the year comes to a close, we are thrilled to reflect on the incredible achievements of our children who have attended our various sports clubs. From rugby to basketball, tennis to cricket, football to multi-sport, gymnastics to dance, we have been fortunate to have had an impressive 222 different children participate in our clubs this year.

Our children have shown exceptional skill, dedication, and teamwork throughout the year, and we are proud of every single one of them. Whether they were new to a sport or already had experience, they have all demonstrated a love for physical activity and a willingness to learn and improve.

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to all the children who have attended our sports clubs this year. Your commitment, enthusiasm, and hard work have been truly inspiring, and we are grateful for the opportunity to be a part of your sporting journey.

To the parents who have supported your children throughout the year, we extend our gratitude as well, by showing your commitment and dedication to allowing your children to attend and collect them at 4:30pm. This has been invaluable in helping your children develop their skills and confidence through the love of sport. Thank you!

As we look ahead to next year, we will continue to provide a fun, supportive, and safe environment for all our children to develop their love of sport and physical activity. So, please keep an eye out for our sports clubs in September.

Once again, thank you to everyone involved in our sports clubs this year. We are proud of each and every one of you!



Sports competitions

A year of unforgettable competitions: Our sport review

We have attended an enormous amount of competitions this year from basketball and tennis to cricket, football, multi-sport, boccia, badminton, netball, archery and dodgeball. As well as attending some incredible events such as the world badminton championships at the Utilita Arena and the Sports Elite festival based at the Alexander Stadium. These experiences are ones which children will cherish for the rest of their lives.

We have been fortunate to have had an astonishing 261 different children participate in competitions this year. Our children have shown exceptional skill, determination and teamwork throughout the year and we are proud of every single one of them. Whether they were competing in tournaments or attending festivals, they have all demonstrated a love for sport and a willingness to push themselves to achieve their best and represented Westminster Primary School with the highest of standards.

We would like to extend a huge thank you to all the children who have attended competitions this year. Your dedication, enthusiasm and hard work has been incredible and we are proud of you all. Well done!

To the parents who have supported your children throughout the year, we extend our gratitude as well. Ensuring your children have the correct kit, rearranging plans to make sure they can attend and collecting them at the end, thank you it is truly appreciated and something which the children wouldn't be able to do without you.

Once again, thank you to everyone involved in our competitions this year.

We are proud of each and every one of you and we look forward to further success next year.