



18th June 2021

Welcome back to our last half term before the summer holidays. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome two new Governors to our Governing Body. Mrs Louise Wood (mum to Evelyn) and Mrs Kim Waters (mum to Jack and Ella), we are looking forward to working with you. For more information about all of our Governors [Please Click Here](#)

Covid Guidance...

I am sure you are all aware that The Government have announced a 4 week pause at Step 3. The data is being continually reviewed and the move to Step 4 will be confirmed one week in advance. Our Covid Risk Assessment and Guidance continues to be regularly reviewed and updated. It is our priority that we can safely deliver face to face education to all our children at West Kirby Primary School. We have been made aware that infection rates have been rising within Wirral and there have been a few bubble closures in local schools. Please can we ask that you continue to support us to keep the school community as safe as possible by always wearing masks on the playground, keeping to one person collecting the children, meeting with staff via Teams where possible, social distancing on school premises and if you are collecting more than one child, please aim to collect them all at the time of the last bubble closure. We are waiting further guidance on Transitional visits to other schools, educational visits and other summer events that we would usually have.

Share a Story Day...

Last Friday was our Share a Story Day, many of the children came to school dressed as a book character looking fantastic. Thank you for your support to enable the children to come dressed up as book characters and for your generous donations. We raised £179.00, which we are going to use to replenish some of our home school books. During the day the children enjoyed different reading activities and spent some time reading. Reading for pleasure is such an important skill for children. A child who reads for pleasure does better in all subjects at school, they have better communication skills, increased wellbeing and more confidence. Reading to your child, regardless of their age can have a huge impact. For further information about Reading for Pleasure [Click Here](#)

Amazon Wish List...

Last week we launched our Amazon Wish List. We are really grateful for your generosity and support with this. It has felt like Christmas with many book deliveries and it has been lovely to read your messages and see who has purchased the books. Thank you to everyone who has supported this. Our Amazon Wish List is still active and can be accessed using the following links.

[EYFS Amazon Wish List](#)

[Key Stage One Wish List](#)

[Lower Key Stage Two Wish List](#)

[Upper Key Stage Two Wish List](#)

[Curriculum Wish List](#)

Our Curriculum & Home Learning...

Just a reminder that our Summer Two Topic Web documents can be accessed on our website (under the Curriculum tab). The Topic Webs outline what the children will be learning in each subject. This half term we have got a common theme running through our curriculum– Seaside (EYFS), Welcome to Wirral (Key Stage One), Wonderful West Kirby (Lower Key Stage Two) and Why Choose Wirral? (UKS2). This all links to a collaboration project between local schools, which is called Coast to Country -this year the theme of this is the Appreciation of Wirral.

Mathletics: Please can we remind you that the children in Year 1 through to Year 6 have weekly Mathletic tasks that need to be completed each week. These tasks aim to complement what has been taught in Maths that week or to consolidate previous learning. Some of the children have a high number of outstanding tasks that have not been completed. Please can we ask for your support to encourage your child to complete these each week. They are listed on the Home Learning document; however, when your child logs on to Mathletics it will show them which tasks need to be completed.

Swimming...

Class 6 enjoyed swimming last week and this week Class 5/6 have also enjoyed their daily swimming sessions. After such a long period time where the children have not been able to go swimming it has been great that we can attend The Concourse for swimming. Mrs Sadler, Mrs McCann and Miss Bird have been really impressed with the progress that all the children have made over the course of the week – Well Done Year 5 and 6! As we approach the summer holidays, it is really important to develop our swimming skills when we live so close to the sea/beach.

Clean Air Day...

Clean Air Day was on Thursday, and across the school, the children have been learning about air pollution and what we can do to help reduce it. A variety of learning activities have taken place this week including assemblies, traffic monitoring, data collection and analysis, poster making, and clean air superhero creations and it has been great to see the interest and enthusiasm these activities have generated. To encourage further awareness of this issue we have recently signed up to a new local initiative for KS2 children called the Clean Air Crew and we will be sending information to KS2 parents shortly explaining how the website and resources can be accessed with children at home. You may also have noticed new planters along the railings at the front of the school. These have been planted to reduce the pollution from traffic on Anglesey Road and we are pleased to see that they are growing well.

Thank You PTA...

Our WKPS PTA have done a great job this year to keep going despite the challenges that Covid has presented us with. I would like to thank all of the PTA members that have been involved this week in making the Father's Day Table a success. If you missed it yesterday, there will be an opportunity to visit it again today at the end of the day on the playground.

Twitter...

Our school Twitter account is up and running. If you are not following us yet, please search for West Kirby Primary School and look at the exciting events taking place in school.

Dogs...

Please can I remind you that only Guide Dogs are permitted onto our school premises – thank you for your cooperation.

Dates for your diary...

Thursday 24th June: Welcome to EYFS at 6:00pm (Meeting for parents with children going into F1 or F2 in September)

Tuesday 29th June: Individual Photographs

Friday 9th July: Reports to Parents, these will be emailed

Friday 16th July: School Closes for the Summer Holidays

Thursday 2nd September: School Reopens for the New Academic Year

Contact Us...

As always please ensure that you contact us if you have any concerns or questions so that we can aim to address any issues straight away. You can call the school office (0151 625 5561), email the school office schooloffice@westkirby-primary.wirral.sch.uk or use the Key Stage email addresses. We will always do our best to get back to you as soon as possible.

Have a great weekend – thank you for your continued support.

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