

WEST ACTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Friday 26th May 2023



I think every member of staff is in shock at how fast this school year is going. Well done to every stake holder for making it through the term and achieving so much. The staff and children are working so hard and enjoying every new experience – we have had several trips, events and visits happening.

Thank you for reading and reflecting on the attendance letters sent out this week – we appreciate the efforts made to keep good attendance for your child.

Well done to Ivy Class for their fabulous assembly – a Roman twist on the myth of Pandora's Box. Their singing, speaking and acting was superb. Thank you Ivy class.

Wishing everyone a wonderful half term holiday, let's hope the sunshine continues! Miss Kondo

Happy Half Term!

***Pupils return to school on
Tuesday 6th June!***

***School finishes for the summer on
Thursday 20th July at 1.30pm.***



West Acton Primary School



Second – Hand Uniform Shop Now OPEN!



Contact the **school office** to complete a **request form** for a second hand uniform for your child.

All items are subject to availability.

Sizes: range from age 3 to age 11

Price: All items £1



We are short on age 7-8 year old donations – do you have any old uniform?

MESSAGE from Mrs Ahmad, School Therapist

Nurturing family connections through mealtimes...

Often dinnertime can feel like hard work, a mission that you just want to get through. However studies show that having dinner together as a family is a top predictor for how well children will do in school and in adolescence. The ritual of sharing food with those we love offers children the security of belonging, being nurtured and a space to talk and share.

How can parents/carers help?

Try to have at least a few nights a week when you can all eat together. Keep that space sacred, safe and positive and, most importantly, switch off the TV and all devices-including your own phones! It is helpful to keep dinner fun and playful and to engage everyone in preparing the meal/and or setting the table. Think of rituals you can put in place and try to make the discussions interesting for everyone. And the first secret is to keep the food healthy but simple: look after yourself and save your energy for connecting with your family.

Art & Plant Market

Saturdays in 2023, from 1-4 pm

27 May 24 June, 29 July, 26 Aug, 30 Sept, 28 Oct

Stalls, Music, Eco-Art, Activities, Community.

W3 Garden, Pavilion, Eastfields Road, Acton, W3 0JF.
info@artification.org.uk / www.artification.org.uk



ART

Free Family Event

ART & PLANT MARKET

Saturday, 27th May - 1 to 4 pm

Stalls on the day!

Acton Ealing Youth Football Club (AEW FC)
 Acton Gardening Association Plant Shop
 Artification
 Arts & Craft for children
 Auntie Bonnies Jerk Pit
 Book Swap run by Action West London
 Kidstime2Play - Children books and activities
 Peter Filbey Artwork
 Talking and Exploring - Tours of non-touristy parts of W. London
 The Massage Company – come for a free massage
 Zumba by Ana
 And more!

Activities on the day, you can join in!

Choir & Dancing Folklore by the Local Japanese Hobby Group,
 Zumba by Ana, Free Massage by the Massage Company

Food and Drinks available from the Café in the Pavilion

Promoted by Artification – Charity No. 1152149

READING

Children should be reading 5 nights a week
 Children should be completing BUG CLUB 1
 night a week

Reading books and Reading record
 planners should be in children's book bags
 every day

Polite Reminder

We cannot complete forms for pupils
 or their families.

e.g. Passports, ID, Visa

Thank you for your understanding.

Health and Safety

Children should not be on the climbing
 frame after 3.15pm

Please supervise your children after school
 – too many children are left unattended or
 running in the car park.

Health and Safety Reminder

Children must be supervised after
 school at all times

Hold small children's hands

Do not let your child go on the
 climbing frame after school

Do not let your ride their scooter or
 bike in our car park

Let's Get Out and About!

May Half Term Holiday Activity Newsletter 2023

Welcome to the May Half Term 2023 edition of Let's Get Out and About! This edition gives you some ideas of places to explore along the Elizabeth Line. We also give you some information about venues where your daily admission can be converted to an annual pass at no additional cost. We hope there is something for everyone to enjoy!

SPOTLIGHT ON: The Elizabeth Line

Having recently celebrated its 1st Birthday, the **Elizabeth Line** provides travel to the West and East of London in style. The route passes through the borough stations of **Southall, Hanwell, West Ealing, Ealing Broadway and Acton Mainline** and stops at some amazing locations offering free and low-cost activities for your family to enjoy during May Half Term.

You can try **Free Mini Golf** [Minigolf by Craig & Karl - Canary Wharf](#), **Free Childrens' Art Trail** [Children's Art Trail - Canary Wharf](#) and a **Free Family Film Club** [Family Film Club - Canary Wharf](#) which can all be found a short walk from **Canary Wharf** station.



Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park has become a hub for sport, education, entertainment, and more. There's plenty to explore throughout the space, including live music, theatre, sport, and arts. Visitors can also try out sports activities throughout the park's facilities. So, whether you want to dive in the same pool Tom Daley has, or dance along to Mamma Mia with ABBA, this park has got it all. Which station? **Stratford** More info: <https://www.queenelizabetholympicpark.co.uk/>

Walpole Park – Free (Get off at Ealing Broadway station) For something a bit quieter and closer to home, **Walpole Park** is the perfect spot for a picnic, or walk, set among beautifully landscaped parkland. While you're there, you can also visit the **Pitzhanger Manor & Gallery**, featuring work by contemporary artists, designers and architects. Check website in advance for free resident sessions and range of workshops and activities for children, families and adults. Entrance is free to Ealing residents on Sunday mornings and all day Wednesday.



Also, closer to home, **Hanwell Zoo** is a popular attraction located in Brent Lodge Park in Hanwell, London W7. The park also includes a maze, a café, play area and free (limited) car parking. [Plan your day - Hanwell Zoo](#) Child prices £2.50 (under 3 years are free) Adults £4.50 [Booking Form - Hanwell Zoo](#) Which station? **Hanwell**

Continuing the train theme, the London Transport Museum's Depot in **Acton** offers discovery tours and events. <https://www.ltmuseum.co.uk/whats-on/depot-tours/depot-discovery> for events on **Saturday 27th May 2023**. Please check the website for prices. At the other end of the **central** line, you can find the **Epping Ongar Railway** <https://www.eorailway.co.uk/>. Step back in time and experience the joy of steam travel as you pass through countryside, beautiful forest and historic towns. Child fares are just £1 when booking your standard All Day Rover tickets online, in advance, throughout 2023!



Children under 11 years can travel for free on London Underground with a paying adult. For children over 11 years, apply for a Zip Oyster card to get free bus travel and discounted train travel* <https://tfl.gov.uk/fares/free-and-discounted-travel> for information about other discounts available. *(Off Peak Travel in Zones 1-4 is capped at £1.70 per day)

Places to convert entry to annual passes.

The cost-of-living crisis is a real challenge for families. Where free activities are limited, you might be looking at venues that offer you the best value for money. Here are some ideas of locations that allow you to convert your day ticket to an annual pass at no additional cost.

Venue	Price
The Postal Museum, Phoenix Place, London WC1X Farringdon, Russell Square, King's Cross St Pancras and Chancery Lane are all less than a mile away. https://www.postalmuseum.org/visit-us/tickets/	Adult (25 year +) £16 online Young Person (16-24 years) £11 online Child (3-15 years) £9 Under 3's Free
The London Museum of Water and Steam, Brentford. Tube: Gunnersbury (District Line then 237 or 267 bus) or Kew Gardens (District Line then 391 bus from Sandycroft Road 2 mins walk from the station towards Kew Gardens), South Ealing (Piccadilly Line then 65 bus to Kew Bridge) https://waterandsteam.org.uk/	Adult tickets are £19 – valid for a whole year. Children go free.
Windsor Castle, Windsor Elizabeth Line to Slough then change to National Rail services Windsor & Eton. National Rail Fares apply. https://www.rct.uk/visit/windsor-castle	Best prices when booking in advance. Adults £28 Child £15.50 Under 5's free. Family discount applied when booking 2 adults and 2 children. Ask to convert ticket at the end of your visit to an annual pass.
London Transport Museum, Covent Garden The closest Underground stations to the Museum are Covent Garden (2 mins), Leicester Square (4 mins), Holborn (5 mins), Charing Cross (7 mins) and Embankment (8 mins). https://www.ltmuseum.co.uk/	Unlimited Annual Pass - Unlimited daytime entry to the Museum in Covent Garden for an entire year. Adults £24 / Concessions £23 / Local Resident £18 / Universal Credit £1 Off Peak Annual Pass - Access to the Museum on weekdays after 2pm in term-time and summer holidays for £22 Annual Pass Plus - Unlimited access to the Museum and our Depot Open Days for you and up to two children for £70

FREE Activities at local libraries: [Events at Ealing libraries](#) | [Events at Ealing libraries](#) | [Ealing Council](#) **Northolt Leisure Library** have **Chess Club** on **Saturdays, 2-4.30pm** Ages: All ages. On **Saturday 27 May, 12.30pm** Alice's Hoop Games - See how many balls you can get through the Alice in Wonderland Playing Card. Ages: 5-10 **Southall Library** offer **Elmer Day** on **Saturday 27 May, 2pm**. Make your own little colourful elephants to take home! Ages: 4-11 years



At **Watermans Art Centre** in Brentford, you can try a paper modelling workshop on **Sunday 28th May** from **12-4pm** Price: **Free**
<https://www.watermans.org.uk/events/paper-modelling-workshop-at-little-village/>

FREE Nature Events at Boston Manor Park – including half term programme and Nature Festival – Try out **Tuesday 30 May, 2pm – 3pm, Foraging family walk with Tash**: discover the edible and useful plants on your doorstep! Herbal tea included (6yrs up) – [Click Here](#) for all the details.

REMINDER - Every **Saturday morning from 9.30am** in **Spikes Bridge Park (Southall), Southall Park and Osterley Park (Hounslow)** What to expect:

ParkPlay is a **FREE** two-hour long play session of fun and games for everyone starting at 9.30am every Saturday morning. You can read all about how we #MeetMovePlay and the types of activities we do [here](#). Head to [Greater London – ParkPlay \(park-play.com\)](#) to register online.



This newsletter was compiled by the School Partnerships and Enrichment Team, Ealing Council. All information was correct at the time of compilation but please use the weblinks provided to check dates and times before joining an activity. Please contact sthampton@ealing.gov.uk for any suggestions or feedback.



Today Year 2 were lucky to have a visit from The London Fire Brigade to talk about Fire safety in our homes. They learnt important information about what to do if there is a fire & were given a home a Fire Plan to discuss with their adults.
Have you checked your smoke alarms this month?

Mini Golf Competition

On Thursday 25th, six Year 4 pupils took part in a mini golf competition at Putt in the Park in Gunnersbury. They had to navigate the golf ball by using a club around a very challenging course which included bridges, ponds and many rocks blocking their path to eventually get the ball into the hole in the least amount of shots possible. They all did extremely well and Yousseif in Mulberry class even managed to get a hole in one! We look forward to hearing how they placed against other Ealing schools.



Pine Class Trip to Wembley Stadium



On Wednesday 24th May Pine Class in Year 4 visited Wembley Stadium. They took a tour of the famous building, saw where the Prince of Wales sits and had a look inside of the players' dressing rooms.

They also took part in a Maths workshop where they attempted to budget for a team of Premiership players with £50 million. Congratulations to Ali, Adam and Mouhamed who won the competition. It was a very successful trip and all of Pine class thoroughly enjoyed it.

Mulberry and Sycamore class also had a very exciting trip to the home of English football..... Wembley Stadium. They gained some new knowledge about the history of the stadium, played fantasy football in teams and finished off their trip with a full tour of the stadium where they got to sit in the home dressing room and even got to walk onto the pitch!



Last week year 6 spent the morning at a Gurdwara, Sikh place of worship, as part of our learning in RE. The children enjoyed learning about the religion and having a tour of the beautiful building.



Year 6 had a fantastic morning, spent with poets developing our performance and editing skills. After an individual class session with a poet, we then spent some time outside developing these skills in the beautiful sunshine.

West Acton Primary School 2023-2024

Term and Holiday Dates



Autumn Term 2023	
SCHOOL CLOSED for pupils	INSET DAY for staff training Monday 4 th September and Tuesday 5 th September 2023
Start of term for pupils	Wednesday 6 th September 2023 PUPILS RETURN TO SCHOOL
SCHOOL CLOSED for pupils	INSET DAY for staff training- Friday 20 th October 2023
SCHOOL CLOSED HALF TERM	Monday 23 October to Friday 27 October 2023
End of term	Thursday 21 December 2023 SCHOOL CLOSES at 1.30pm
SCHOOL CLOSED Winter Holiday	Friday 22 December 2023 to Friday 5 January 2024
Spring Term 2024	
Start of term for pupils	Monday 8 January 2024 PUPILS RETURN TO SCHOOL
SCHOOL CLOSED HALF TERM	Monday 12 February to Friday 16 February 2024
End of Term	Thursday 28 March 2024 SCHOOL CLOSES at 1.30pm
SCHOOL CLOSED Spring Holiday	Friday 29 March - Friday 12 April 2024
Summer Term 2024	
Start of Term for pupils	Monday 15 April 2024 PUPILS RETURN TO SCHOOL
SCHOOL CLOSED	Monday 6 May 2024 May Day Bank holiday
SCHOOL CLOSED HALF TERM	Monday 27 May to Friday 31 May 2024
SCHOOL CLOSED	INSET DAY for staff training – Monday 3 rd June 2024
End of Term	Tuesday 23 rd July SCHOOL CLOSES at 1.30pm
SCHOOL CLOSED	INSET DAY for staff training – Wednesday 24 th July 2024
SCHOOL CLOSED Summer Holiday	Occasional Days – Thursday 25 th , Friday 26 th and Monday 29 th July



West Acton Primary School

Wednesday Morning Yoga Club



kids
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8:00-8:45 £22.50 for last 5 sessions

Reception to Year 6

7th June - 5th July

Run by fully qualified primary school
teacher trained in children's yoga

Contact Emma Hoddy

kidsyogaflo@gmail for info

<https://www.kidsyogaflo.com>

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Cricket Report

On Monday the 15th May the girls' cricket team entered a cricket competition at Brentham Club in Ealing. The team came runners up in their league and were unlucky to lose a very close match against St Mark's B Team.

Nadia and Yasmin put in good batting performances and Simone and Lara were the pick of the bowlers. All the girls played in a great spirit and thoroughly enjoyed the tournament.



Simone bowling against St Marks as Yasmin looks on



Girls' Year 5 and 6 Cricket Team



Our choir and Mr Prothero showcased West Acton's talent and values at the Ealing School's Music Concert on Monday night – proud Headteacher moment. We have doubled in size since our first one this time last year and Mr Prothero was the MC and accompanied all schools on African drums.

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WEST ACTON

BASKETBALL & MULTISPORT

BOOK ONLINE: WWW.STAYSUPA.COM/BOOK-ONLINE

MULTISPORT 7:45-8:45AM

WEDNESDAY- YR 5/6

THURSDAY- YR 1/2

FRIDAY- YR 3/4

BASKETBALL 7:45-8:45AM

*****TUESDAY YR 3-6**

WEDNESDAY- YR 1/2

THURSDAY- YR 3/4

FRIDAY- YR 5/6

STARTS JUNE 2023



West Acton Primary School Weekly Values Rewards

w/c 15 th May 2023	Courage	Consideration	Collaboration
Acorn	Alan	Kloi	Miyu
Olive	Mizuki	Limikshyu	Mariam
Fir	Albert	Tsukiha	Summer
Banyan	Sulaiman	Tsukasa	Haytham
Ash	Hamza	Lolade	Ayman
Guava	Anu	Taima	Ladan
Katsura	Chitose	Adam	Aaliyah
Chestnut	Yasin	Karo	Mehreen
Damson	Ryosuke	Toshiki	Sanah
Juniper	Seiji	Yousif A	Mariam
Holly	Rose	Mohamad	Ali K
Ivy	Mya	Elsa	Hari
Rowan	Salome	Stavros	Hanano
Mulberry	Yui	Isabel	Rio
Pine	Ona	Rikuto	Madina
Sycamore	Hikaru	Aya	Maliha
Elder	Omar	Joshua	Ryuonusuke
Quince	Mahta	Moska	Emily
Willow	Yota	Iris	Ben
Lime	Rimas	Gabree	Abed
Tamarind	Naomasa	Balqes	Zahra
Zaytouna	Andrii	Marwa	Santino
Woodlands	tbc	tbc	tbc

Children's Multi-Activity

HALF TERM & SUMMER Holiday Camps

30 May - 2 June
24 July - 1 Sept
7.45am-6pm
9AM-5PM AVAILABLE AS SHORT DAY



ACTON • CHISWICK
EALING • UXBRIDGE
HAMMERSMITH • FULHAM



May Half Term and Summer dates
are now open on our website to book
www.aktivacamps.com



Aktiva Camps is an OFSTED outstanding registered children's day camp. Providing an extensive range of sports and activities for children to enjoy. Aktiva offers children between the ages of 4 and 12 a safe, fun and friendly holiday camp environment. We encourage children to try new things, building their confidence and broadening their experience™ each and every day. Our programmes are designed to be high energy, full of variety and most importantly fun! Your child(ren) will return home with memories, home-made souvenirs and having formed new friendships.

Building confidence
and broadening
experience™



**HALF TERM
& SUMMER
CAMPS AT...**

**MOUNT CARMEL
BELMONT PRIMARY
JOHN LOCKE ACADEMY
SOUTHFIELD PRIMARY
WEST ACTON PRIMARY
BRACKENBURY PRIMARY**



FULL WEEK SESSIONS
Full day: 7.45am to 6pm - £165
Short Day: 9am to 5pm - £155

DAY SESSIONS
Short day - £40 Long day - £48
Childcare vouchers accepted

OUR ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

Fabric Design Workshop,
Canvas Painting, Clay Fridge Magnets,
Disco and Party Games,
Science/Technology experiments,
Hockey, Football, Netball, Tennis,
Street Dance and Team Sports

Easy Online Booking:

www.aktivacamps.com

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