

West Acton Primary School Newsletter



Friday 12th February 2021



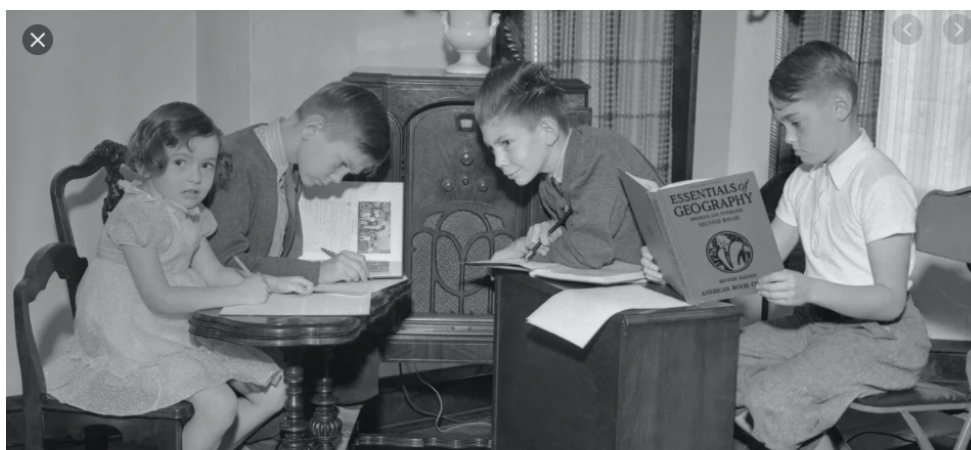
School Jotter

Our app—available on the app store

MESSAGE FROM MISS KONDO

Did you know that learning remotely is not a new thing! This is a photo of children learning remotely, listening to the radio, during the 1937 Polio epidemic. Thanks to vaccines and medical advances, polio is no longer a threat to our society. As a community we must do everything we can to fight COVID-19: please continue to follow the guidelines in this half term. A very well deserved half term for everyone! What a lot we have all learnt and achieved!

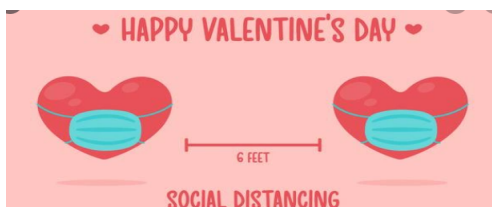
Stay safe, Miss Kondo



Wishing our families celebrating Chinese New Year
today a fantastic new year!



Be kind to yourselves and each other – especially on
Valentine's Day this Sunday!

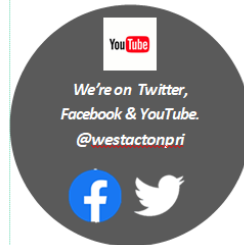


Online Safety Workshop – this took
place last night at 6.00pm and was
very informative. The resources can
be found here: bit.ly/wapssafe

Please do take the time to look.



Thank you to the parents who took
the time to come – it was great to
see over 60 people there!



HERE to HEAR and HELP!

Please do get in contact if you feel that your child or you need support during this time we are apart. Our school wellbeing team is continues to be very active and available for YOU.

TOP TIP of the week from School Counsellor – Louise

Building Stronger Sibling Bonds

If your children are having a hard time together, it's only natural that you try to help them resolve things peacefully. However often this can feel very exhausting for you... and perhaps at times you might worry they will never get along. Studies have shown that couples need five to seven positive interactions to counter-balance one negative interaction. Now this may feel like an impossible task when your children argue six times a day! So why not simply change your goal to helping your children have as many positive interactions as they can?

How can parents help?

Remember that a smile counts as a positive- so these don't all need to be major interactions for them to count as a positive! It is also helpful to notice and encourage the activities that get your children playing together and try to avoid interrupting happy play. You can start using "Special Time" between your children, during which they can spend 10mins doing something that makes them laugh, create or move around together. Finally, how about creating a *Family Kindness Journal* to record acts of kindness with each other and reflect on at the end of each week?

Sometimes we could all do with someone to talk to. If you would like to meet **Louise** for a confidential and non-judgemental chat about you, your child, or any other worries, she is available on Wednesdays 9-10am. You can call/text **Louise** on 07582310756 or email her at lalltimes.307@lgflmail.org

IMPORTANT COVID – 19

If your child or anyone in your household has a positive COVID -19 test result during half term

please email the school

admin@west-acton.ealing.sch.uk

It is very important that you keep your child at home if ANYONE in the house has symptoms or a positive test result, especially siblings.

It is also important to know the symptoms of COVID-19 (new or continuous cough, high temperature, loss of sense of smell or taste)

Please test anyone who has symptoms

Please note the first day of symptoms.

THANK YOU PTA!

The PTA had their AGM last Friday. They are fantastic group of parents who run events to raise money and bring our school community together.

There will be a zoom meeting for Parents and Carers of Reception children on Friday 26th February at 1.00pm.

A link will be sent on the day.

Parents' Evening will be Wc 22nd February on School Cloud – letter sent earlier this week. 71% are booked already! Please ensure you can log on and that we have correct details for you. You will need to log on ready for your meeting.

Welcome back to house points!

Keep up the fantastic behaviour!

House points
Totals for week ending 5 Feb 2021

Chiswick	1807
Osterley	1700
Pitzhanger	1768
Syon	1628

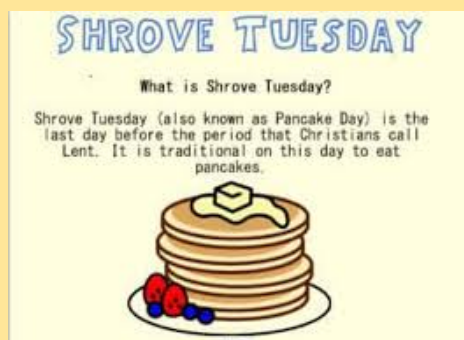
Shrove Tuesday – you may know it as

Pancake Day is on Tuesday 16th February.

Watch the video here to find out more

[https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p03g](https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p03g89vm)

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We had a lots of lessons and activities for
Safer Internet Day on Tuesday.



It was great to see the children coming up
with creative and sensible ways to keep
safe online.



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The song made me feel like...



Some of the Year 4 children at West Acton have been part of singing and drama workshops thanks to fantastic artists at the Old Vic theatre. This week, they recorded a song and drew pictures to show how it made them feel. It was lovely to hear the children at school and at home singing together – some great voices.

IF YOUR CHILD TESTS POSITIVE
FOR COVID-19 IN THIS HOLIDAY
PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL:
admin@west-acton.ealing.sch.uk

SPRING 2 starts on
Monday 22nd February –
see you back online or in
school then!

We would welcome your
feedback about Spring 1
and have sent you links
to surveys.

Tri Golf ARP/Year 6

Children in Birch Class and Year 6 took part in a Tri Golf inter-school competition this week run by Featherstone School Sports Partnership. As a school we were highly commended for having the most engaged children and enthusiastic teachers participating in the tournament of all the schools in the borough that they had visited!

Children participated in a variety of indoor golfing activities which included aiming the ball to hit a target and score points and working as a team to complete a relay race. The points have been collated by the sports partnership team and we will find out in due course where we placed compared to other schools in the borough.

Year 5 and Year 6 previously participated in the New Age Curling competition and we came 2nd across the whole borough!

