

# West Acton Primary School Newsletter



Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021



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## MESSAGE FROM MISS KONDO

As we come to the end of the Spring term I am filled with hope and excitement for the future. Our whole West Acton community has worked so hard every day of this extraordinary year and it affirms our choice of the school values: courage, consideration and collaboration, as perfect. I could not be prouder of all pupils, staff and families. I am grateful every day and thank you all. Here's to a great Summer term!

I have enjoyed seeing the children's drawings of themselves for the PTA tea towels – look out for the opportunity to pay on school money soon. We have some exciting Eco and Art & Design projects coming up next term – **please start saving milk bottle tops for us**, for one of them.

Please follow the guidelines and stay safe this holidays: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/covid-19-coronavirus-restrictions-what-you-can-and-cannot-do#march-whats-changed>

Miss Kondo

Dear Parents/Carers,

At the end of these first three weeks back in school since last year I would like to thank you all for your support both during remote learning and over the last few weeks.

It has been fantastic to have your children back in school and we know that it would not have been possible without your help and the hard work of all of the school team so thank you.

The children have really enjoyed being back with their friends and having the opportunity of face to face learning which is so important.

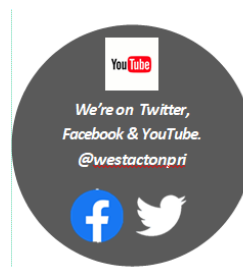
I hope you all have a good holiday and take the time to celebrate.

We all look forward to welcoming you back in April for what will be a full and exciting summer term.

Please stay safe.

William Rollason

Chair of Governors



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Facebook & YouTube.  
@westactonpri



### Mobile Phone use by Parents/Carers on site

Please refrain from using your mobile phone whilst dropping off and collecting your child.

### ROAD SAFETY

We expect all of our community to feel safe around our school in the morning and at afternoon collection time. Sadly, some of our parents have been driving disrespectfully or illegally. This was reported in the Autumn, by local residents and other parents since January.

**This is unacceptable – please do not put people at risk.**

### Breakfast Club – spaces still available

Book here:

<https://www.westactonprimaryschool.org/parents/breakfastclub>

Please do consider using and booking breakfast club so that we can continue to be able to offer this service at the competitive rate into the future.

### WEST ACTON - STOP EYES on ME!

**Listen to our new school chant of  
Our values and rules.**

<https://www.westactonprimaryschool.org/keyinformation/behaviour-1>

### 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@westacton.ealing.sch.uk](mailto:admin@westacton.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.

### EYE TESTS

**Please do consider getting your child's eyes tested. We cannot get opticians onsite but I have called Specsavers, Vision Express and Eyes on the Common –they have appointments available.**

### School Lunch problems

A few parents have reported issues with their child's lunch this week. We apologise for any concerns caused which we are looking into with Harrisons and our lunchtime staff.

### House points

Chiswick - 1559

Osterley - 1614

Pitzhanger - 1827

Syon – 1747

**Keep up the fantastic behaviour!**

Best Wishes to our families and friends celebrating this week ...



And during the holidays...



#### Returning Laptops and Devices

We hope that it was useful borrowing the devices during the partial closure.

We now need to start collecting them in. each device will be checked for damage and have online safety checks. Please ensure that you hand the laptop to the office or a member of staff and that your child's name is in with the device too.

Thank you.

Congratulations to Pitzhanger  
house for having the most  
housepoints this Spring Term.



### Top tip from the School Counsellor – Louise

#### Holiday Survival Guide

Breaks from school can actually feel quite stressful for children, especially with all the disruption to the start of the year and their regular schedules and routines are again disrupted. As we head into a longer holiday, here are some tips on how to minimise the tears and maximise the joy at home.

#### How can parents help?

As always with parenting, it is most important to look after yourself first. Make sure your own cup isn't full so you can stay calm. You can also let them know in advance what they will be doing over the holiday and remind them again every morning the plans for that day. Many children will also do better if you keep to some routine and schedule every day, to offer them some predictability. If you can, always include some outdoor or physical activity every day as it helps them to stay regulated. Finally, remember to do less and connect more!

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](mailto:lalltimes.307@lgflmail.org)



## Boccia – ARP Birch Class

23.03.21

The children in Birch Class took part in our latest competition run by Featherstone School Sports Partnership. They all participated in the game of boccia – a game similar to bowls.

The children all participate enthusiastically, learning both the rules of the competition and working on contributing towards a team sport together. Great work – well done!



Following up on our Science week assembly Dame Elizabeth Anionwu some pupils held an interview with online. Dame Elizabeth was so impressed with their questions! You will be able to read the interview in the Spring edition of West Acton Whispers, our school newspaper.



### CPG Study Packs

As an investment in the pupils' home learning (homework) 3 years ago we started to send out CPG books twice a year for them to complete at home. We do not charge for these books.

In the Autumn, we purchased a bumper pack and put this in a folder for the children – we gave out two books in the Autumn and some during the lockdown.

This week all children have brought the pack home to start working their way through.

**Please support your child to complete this over the next term. We will collect them in, in July.**



# Children's Multi-Activity **EASTER** Holiday Camps

**CHISWICK • EALING  
UXBRIDGE**

**5th - 16th April\***  
HARVINGTON  
29th March - 16th April\*  
\*Excluding Good Friday and Easter Monday  
**7.45am-6pm**  
Full week and day sessions available.  
Day session bookings will be closed  
1 week before start of camp.



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**Building confidence and  
broadening experience™**



**EASTER HOLIDAY CAMPS AT:  
HARVINGTON PREP • BELMONT  
MOUNT CARMEL • SOUTHFIELD  
JOHN LOCKE ACADEMY**

**DISCOUNTED FULL WEEK SESSIONS**  
Standard day from 9am - 5pm  
£135 per week (£27 per day)  
Extended day 7.45am - 6pm  
£159 per week (£31.80 per day)

**DAY SESSIONS**  
Standard day - £35 Extended day - £45  
Childcare vouchers accepted

## OUR ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

- Science Workshops • Daily Arts and Crafts Workshops • Gymnastics
- Specialised Sports, Football, Netball, Tennis, Athletics • Rhythm Workshop
- Musical Theatre and Dance
- Chess • Nature Club

Children will be assigned a bubble with a dedicated team leader which they will remain in for their time with us. Each participating family will have a mandatory health form to complete the week prior to attending. When you book your place with us, more information will be sent on Arrivals/Departures, Snacks/Lunch and how we will schedule our day. Please specify when booking if your child has friends that they would like to be placed with in our bubbles. We will endeavour to meet all requests.

**Cancellation** If a child is unable to attend due to Covid-19 related sickness, Aktiva will credit your account with makeup days which can be used for up to 12 months. Please email any questions to [bookings@aktivacamps.com](mailto:bookings@aktivacamps.com)

**Contacting the team** Our phone lines are really busy, if you need to speak to us it may be quicker to do so by emailing us at [bookings@aktivacamps.com](mailto:bookings@aktivacamps.com) with your query and number and we will get back to you.

**Easy Online Booking:**

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