

West Acton Primary School Newsletter



Friday 9th July 2021



School Jotter

Our app—available on the app store

You may have heard a few people saying 'Football's coming home!', but not many people can say that they have stood beside the Trophy that everyone wants to come home! However, Lily in Year 5 can! Lily attended a match at Wembley, representing West Acton alongside other London school children. Lily was selected as she puts our school values of Courage, Consideration and Collaboration into action every day, and is remembered for this by lots of staff across the school. The winning team that Lily saw was Italy – who will now face England in the final on Sunday! Find out more about Lily's day in our school newspaper at the end of term.

So much is happening across the school as you can see and also lots of offers for summer activities too. We are hoping for great weather for sports days next week and are sure the children will have a great time even though they may be a little different from normal. Thank you for donating old uniform to the PTA this week.

Have a safe weekend, Miss Kondo





UNIFORM EXCHANGE

**Please bring uniform to donate on
Thursday 8th (before and after school)
and Friday 9th July (before school only)**

**Uniform items accepted – Shirts, ties,
trousers, skirts, PE kit, jumpers, cardigans,
bookbags.**

No non-uniform items though please!

UNIFORM SALE

(voluntary donation only, pay what you can)

Tuesday 13th July - Nursery, Reception, Year 1

Wednesday 14th July - Year 2 and 3

Thursday 15th July - Year 4, 5 and 6



We're on Twitter,
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.

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.

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.

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.

WEST ACTON - STOP EYES on ME!

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

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

This week's house points
Week ending 2.7.21

Chiswick	623
Osterley	630
Pitzhanger	515
Syon	544

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.

IMPORTANT DATES

End of year reports and new teacher
information will be given on Monday
12th July

End of term Wednesday 21st
July at 1.30pm

Start back Friday 3rd
September

See here for full details:

<https://www.westactonprimaryschool.org/newsanddates/termdates>

BOTTLE TOP MASTERPIECE!

We are starting an exciting Design Project –
please save us your bottle tops, wash them
and send them in.



These can be found on drink and milk bottles.

This week's Top Tip from School Counsellor Louise

What are your biggest strengths as a parent?

If someone observed you as a parent, what would they admire if they could watch your best moments with your child(ren)? Make a list of all the things you are most proud of- even if they seem small and simple. Also include those not-so-great moments that you have been able to notice and turn around.

Now let's build on those strengths...

Read through your list and give yourself credit and appreciation for all your hard work. Now think of what it is that helps you be your personal best as a parent: what support could help you be that parent more often and how can you give this support to yourself every day? Next, notice when you act in a way with your child that makes you feel good about yourself and do a little celebratory dance, or give yourself a high five! Appreciating yourself will help you be your best self more often and will also help you enjoy parenting even more.

In June, West Acton celebrated Refugee Week.

Refugee Week is a UK-wide festival celebrating the contributions, creativity and resilience of refugees and people seeking sanctuary. Founded in 1998 and held every year around World Refugee Day on the 20 June, Refugee Week is also a growing global movement. This event supports our **British and school values, Equality Act 2010 as well as moral, social culture learning.**

This year's theme, 'We Cannot Walk Alone' helped us to all stand together with refugees and make new connections in our communities. All around the UK people took part in, 'The Great Walk' for refugee week. <https://refugeeweek.org.uk/>

Following this lovely theme, each year group took part in a special activity which incorporated an imaginary short journey away from home. We walked together! The children had to leave home suddenly! They had to pack 5 items only which was important to them. Along this journey they are faced with different obstacles and scenarios, which meant making decisions about which item they would give up or keep. They were left with one item. The children discussed how they felt about having to leave things behind and how difficult it was to choose. Along the journey, we explored and researched some facts and stories in activity stations centred around various refugee themes.

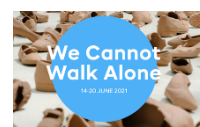
Staff and children enjoyed dressing up in international and traditional clothes of their family origin or of their choosing. There were some interesting outfits and the children explained the origin of their costumes. We wanted to contribute in charitable ways towards refugee organisations so we made a small donation of £1 of 50p or £1.00 for UNICEF and/or dry food for Ealing foodbank.



In Miss Kondo's assembly we learnt out about what it means to be a refugee, why people become refugees and we heard about famous refugees. In class we researched some facts on refugees and were introduced to stories about refugees. We shared refugee themed: poems, stories, videos, art, music, songs from around the world and learnt how to appreciate the contribution refugees make to our society.

We were able to reflect with a better understanding of a refugees' plight, as well as what part we play as a community and society in supporting refugees and asylum seekers. During discussions about refugees, we were able to show sensitivity about the issues affecting different people around the world.

<https://www.refugee-action.org.uk/>



Our Welcome messages to refugees



'You are welcome to stay. We want you here.'



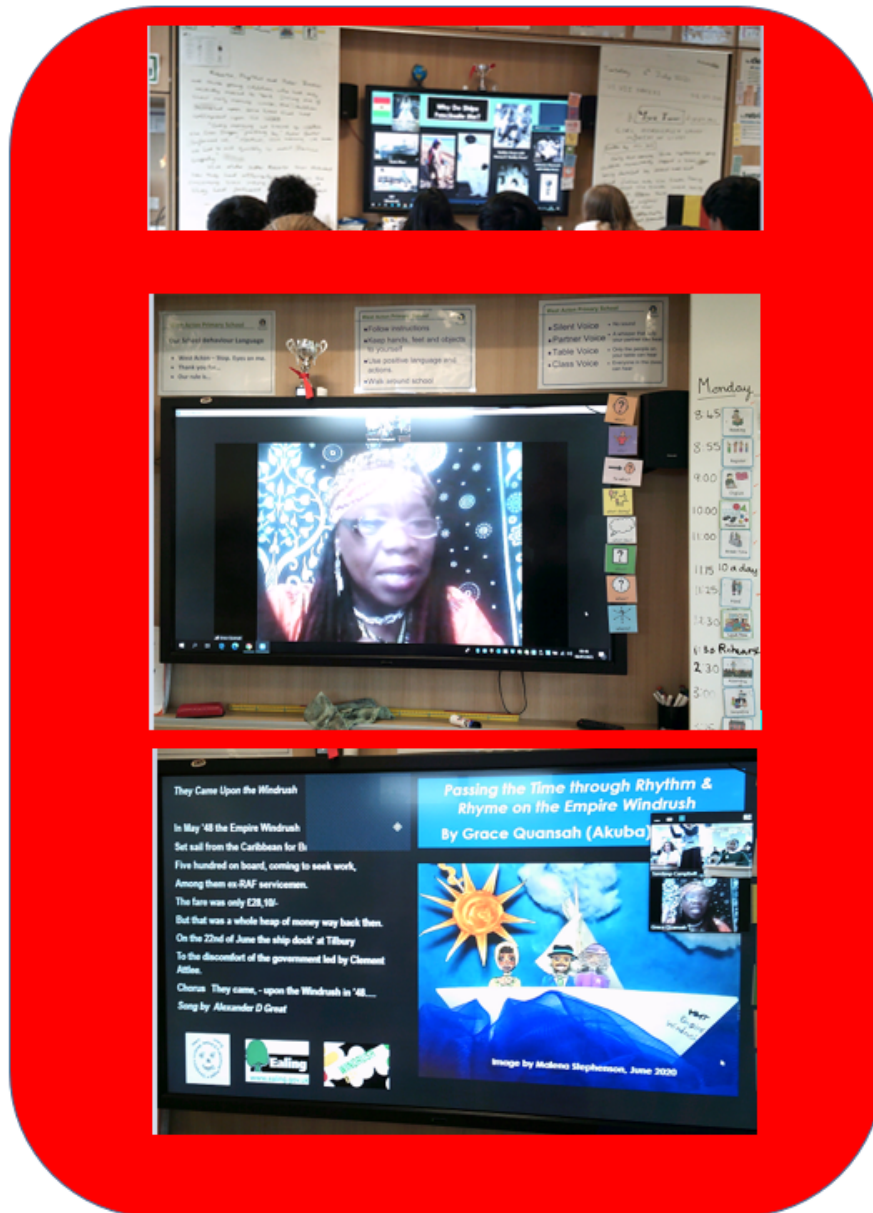
Our suitcase filled with our one important item.

'My family.'

'My teddy.'

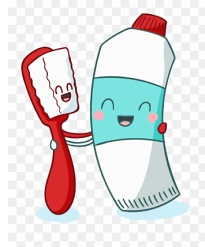
'My pet.'

Year 6 had their Windrush poetry sessions with Grace Quansah – we wanted them to have this exciting opportunity before they left us! The whole school will have workshops in the Autumn.



Thank you Grace for sharing your insight and experience.

Tooth Brushing Club



02:00

Come join our Tooth-brushing Club
And brush your teeth for 2 minutes



It is important to brush your teeth twice a day for 2 minutes

Spit out the tooth paste

Do not use water and wash the tooth paste away

Adele Francois is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting

Topic: Tooth brushing club

Time: Meeting ID: 894 9347 9541

Passcode: zkw5gA

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Time: Jul 27, 2021 10:00 AM London

Every week on **Tue**, until Sep 7, 2021, 7 occurrence(s)

Jul 27, 2021 10:00 AM

Aug 3, 2021 10:00 AM

Aug 10, 2021 10:00 AM

Aug 17, 2021 10:00 AM

Aug 24, 2021 10:00 AM

Aug 31, 2021 10:00 AM

Sep 7, 2021 10:00 AM

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89493479541?pwd=bjlxczhnemwzNU5JR0dPMWlxYUIZdz09>



In Elm Class, we have been learning all about minibeasts. The children helped to build a Bug Hotel and then wrote letters to the minibeasts asking them to come and live there. They have become bug experts!

