



# THE WHITE HOUSE

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

WOODENTOPS KINDERGARTEN  
& THE WOODENTOPS NURSERY

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HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

**EDWARD WATSON**

Happy 9<sup>th</sup> Birthday

**JAMES PRIDEAUX**

Congratulations on turning 1

GOOD BEHAVIOUR

GOOD BEHAVIOUR BADGES HAVE BEEN AWARDED TO...

REC: EMILY GROTE  
YEAR 1: AUGUSTIN GANCZ  
YEAR 2: JAMES THWAITES  
YEAR 3: CAMILO DAVENPORT  
YEAR 4: ASHER STARK  
YEAR 5: AMELIE ZWI  
YEAR 6: TABITHA GRIEVSON

• WELL DONE •



## Welcome to Week 6...

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**Thank you to all the children and families that attended the Open Morning on Saturday. The teachers and children made a super effort preparing the school and all the rooms looked outstanding.**

Week 5 was a busy week for Year 5 with cycle training and academic competitions at two of our destination senior schools. The children represented themselves admirably and demonstrated their excellent maths and spelling skills. On Tuesday we saw our younger musicians perform at the Musical afternoon. The children demonstrated the new skills they have been learning in their individual music lessons and the parents thoroughly enjoyed hearing them. On Friday the children visited the 'Book Fair' and they loved choosing and purchasing books that they could read at home. Friday evening finished the working week with a brilliant disco at St Thomas' church organised by the WAPS. Thank you to all the helpers and DJ

Justin for the excellent music.

Week 6 continues the busy Summer term with a focus on Sport. Our Under 11's girls play a rounders fixture, Under 8 boys' have a cricket fixture and we finish on Friday afternoon with 'Sports Day' at Tooting Bec Athletics Track.

Please check the arrangements later in the newsletter for Reception to Year 6 children. Parents often ask me about how to keep children safe online in an ever changing digital age. Please find a link below to Thinkuknow and internet matters.org websites dedicated to keeping children safe in a digital world.

[www.internetmatters.org/social-media](http://www.internetmatters.org/social-media)

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>

Have a great week.

**Daniel Cummings,**

**Headmaster**

## Day Nursery

**Foxes and Bunnies enjoyed another spring week with outdoor activities. We enjoyed playing with our new water tray in the garden.**

Foxes matched emotional faces and made different faces. They have been investigating finger prints while they have been exploring clay.

A great big thank you to the children and the parents for entering enthusiastically and fully into our new project "Show and Tell".

Thank you very much for coming to the Open Day.





“Life isn't about finding yourself. Life is about creating yourself.”

George Bernard Shaw

### Nut Free School

Please remember that The White House is a nut free environment and under no circumstances should nuts be brought into the building. Nut allergies can cause very dangerous reactions and we strive to keep all pupils safe.

### HOUSE POINT RESULTS WEEK 6

1<sup>st</sup> Drummond  
2<sup>nd</sup> Edinburgh  
3<sup>rd</sup> Stirling  
4<sup>th</sup> Balmoral

## Summer Availability

My name is Frances McMichael, recently moved to South London from New Zealand and newly graduated in industrial design and trying to start in the industry.

If you have any job opportunities, freelance work, connections or any suggestions I will be happy and grateful to hear from you.

[F.m.mcmichael@gmail.com](mailto:F.m.mcmichael@gmail.com)

07947 539187

## Yr 5 Maths/Spelling Events

**Year 5 children have had a busy week attending no less than three academic competitions.**

The children enjoyed pitting their wits against other schools in maths challenges at The Laurels and Royal Russel as well as a Spelling Bee earlier in the week. Our team of mathematicians that represented the school at Royal Russel finished a notable 5<sup>th</sup> out of 23 schools. At The Laurels on Friday Year 5 performed very well and finished 2<sup>nd</sup>.



## Free Cycling Training

This half term, Lambeth Council are offering free cycle training courses not only for children aged 9 and over but also for complete beginners and less confident children from 5 years upwards.

### Free Cycle Training for children from age 5 years upwards over May half term.

Lambeth Council are offering the following free cycle training courses this May half term in Brockwell Park, Myatt's Fields Park and Clapham Common:

Complete Beginner Training (age 5+) over 2 mornings (31/5/16 and 1/6/16)

Level 1 Bikeability (age 5+) over 2 mornings (2/6/16 and 3/6/16)

Level 1&2 Bikeability (age 9+ - including on road training) over 4 afternoons (31/5/16 - 3/6/16)

Training is in small groups and on a first-come-first-served basis so book places on these courses now at

<http://www.cycleconfident.com/sponsors/lambeth/>

## LAMDA

THE LONDON  
ACADEMY OF  
MUSIC AND  
DRAMATIC ART

**For all this year's entrants, of the London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art, your examination poems and prose have been given out.** Parents please ensure that children learn their respective poems 'off by heart' and practise their recital frequently prior to the exam on **19<sup>th</sup> May** Claire will be rehearsing with children at school, so children will need to bring their items to talk about. Year 4-6 will require a neatly typed copy of their pieces to hand to the examiner. Children should have a clean uniform and shiny shoes please.

## U11 Rounders Fixture

### On Thursday the U11 girls played Old palace at rounders.

It was a challenging match as the girls faced a whole team of year 6 girls and The White House played a mixed team of year 4, 5 and 6.

The girls played outstandingly well and it finished with a close score of 8 rounders to The White House and 9 rounders to Old Palace!

A superb effort from all the girls involved especially the fielding skills demonstrated. Thank you to all the parents that came to support.

## Final Calling Active Kids

We are still collecting 'Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers'.

Please send them in with your children as they are a fantastic way of supporting sport resources and play equipment.

There is a box by the main school door and a tray downstairs in Kindergarten and Day Nursery.



**LOST PROPERTY**

All found items are kept in the tub near the entrance. Please check for missing items.



“Success is not final, failure is not fatal: it is the courage to continue that counts.”

**Winston Churchill**

**GATHERING OF THE GOBLINS YEAR 5/6**

Will take place on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> July at Goodwood Race Track. This is a great event that the children really enjoy. If you and your children can commit to attending this event and the car club that will take place after half term please inform Mr Cummings. This is for Yrs 5 & 6 only.



**INDEPENDENT  
SCHOOLS  
ASSOCIATION**

Accredited Member

**Dates & Fixtures****Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May**

House Assembly

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> May**

Sports Day Practice for Rec - Yr 6 at TBAT collect at 4pm from track

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May**

Karate

U11 Girls Rounders vs Eaton House (away) 2.30pm

4pm collection from school

Athletics club collection from Agnes Riley 4.30pm

**Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> May**

LAMDA exams

U8 Boys Cricket vs Rosemead (away)

3.15pm

**Fri 20<sup>th</sup> May**

Sports Day for Rec – Yr 6

At TBAT 1 – 4pm Children to be collected from the track.

No Drama club

**Cycle Confidence**

**Well done to the 8 Year 5 students that completed their ‘Bikeability’ training this week.**

The children represented themselves and the school very well, listening attentively and with the instructor’s guidance completed the safe cycle routes on the road expertly. All the children achieved Level 1 and Level 2 of the ‘Bikeability’ training. Well done!

**Events**

**A reminder to Woodentops Day Nursery and The White House School to save the date for this year’s WAPS Summer Ball that will again be taking place at Dulwich Golf Club on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June in support of our school charity GOSH.**

Last year was a most enjoyable evening. The White House Golf Afternoon open to all players (mums and dads) who hold a current handicap will take place before the WAPS summer ball. If you are interested please email the office.

**Clubs after Half Term**

Please note that the last Athletics club will be on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May and will take place at Agnes Riley with a 4.30pm pick up from there.

After half term Rounders club will take the place of athletics club and will take place on Tooting Common (Cozy Corner) 4pm -4.45pm, Children will be collected from the Common.

The Year5/6 car club will take place on Wednesday’s 4pm-5pm. The children selected for this club must be able to make the Goblins Event at Goodwood on 10<sup>th</sup> July.

**Please notify the office if you would like to sign up to either club.**

**Sports Day Rec –Yr 6****Tuesday 17th May (Rec - Yr 6)**

**Children to attend school in their house sports kit.**

Reception - Year 6 children will be taking part in a final practice at Tooting Bec Athletics Track. All children are to be collected from the track at 4pm unless attending homework club. Gymnastics, Puzzle and Cricket clubs will not be running.

**Wednesday 18th May (Yrs 1 - 6)**

Sports lessons will be taking place at Agnes Riley as will Athletics club.

All children can be collected from school at the normal time of 4pm and Athletics club children are to be collected from Agnes Riley at 4.30pm.

**Friday 20th May – SPORTS DAY for Reception - Year 6**

**Children to attend school in their house sports kit.**

Parents to arrive at Tooting Bec Athletics Track in good time for a prompt start at 1pm. Children will be taken to the track by staff. Sports Day is due to finish at 4pm and all children are expected to depart with parents from the track.

Drama club will not be running.

Please ensure all children have the correct kit, sunhat, suncream and two water bottles and a school rain jacket.

**GOSH Sponsorship**

Well done to Sam and Lucy Yr 6, Leonie Yr 6, Rafi Yr 5 and Isabella Yr2 and Agatha Rec for taking part in the ‘Gosh 5K Race for Life’ on Sunday.

The children raised a super £2088

<http://events.gosh.org/goto/whitehousepreparatoryschool>.

