



THE WHITE HOUSE

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

WOODENTOPS KINDERGARTEN
& THE WOODENTOPS NURSERY

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HAPPY
BIRTHDAYS

NO BIRTHDAYS

GOOD
BEHAVIOUR

GOOD BEHAVIOUR
BADGES HAVE BEEN
AWARDED TO...

REC: GEORGIA LEATHERLAND
YEAR 1: EMILY GROTE
YEAR 2: LILY DUGARD
YEAR 3: JAMES THWAITES
YEAR 4: AYUB DIN
YEAR 5: ANAHI MORENO
YEAR 6: ZOE TRAYNOR

• WELL DONE •



Welcome to Week 5...

Welcome to this week's newsletter. This morning the children were treated to a wonderful assembly. Nia Coleman, with the help of Rafi Davis and Imogen Morrison demonstrated their singing repertoires. Nia Coleman is a very experienced singer and singing teacher who is available for lessons if you would like your child to take up singing.

The children also chose this year's School Charity this morning. After hearing about the two most popular charities, as chosen by the parents; the children chose 'Medecins sans Frontieres' 'Doctors without Borders' a very worthy cause. 'Friends of Agnes Riley' will become our second charity and will benefit from the money raised from mufti days through-out the year.

Week 4 saw excellent sporting fixtures, a visit to the Wimbledon Windmill Museum and of course our school photos. Thank you to all parents that took the time to

ensure their children were very presentable in the correct uniform. I hope this level of attire is maintained for the rest of the year and for this week's Harvest Assembly at St Thomas's Church on Thursday. Children should attend in full uniform including their Guernseys. Week 5 sees further football fixtures and a Saturday hockey tournament for the Under 10's. The week will finish with our first WAPs meeting that will take place in the staff room on Friday at 8am. May I ask parents who are bringing school age children to the meeting to sit them outside the staffroom with a reading book to occupy their time productively.

Best wishes,
Daniel Cummings,
Headmaster

Day Nursery

Foxes have enjoyed testing different kinds of fruit and vegetables. We have enjoyed investigating different seeds with magnifying glasses in the garden.

The children have also enjoyed painting and creating their own fruits and vegetables. We made apples, pumpkins, broccoli and corns.

On Friday we all dressed up as farmers and we went for a Harvest hunt in the garden.

Bunnies this week have been learning about the Harvest festival. They really enjoyed exploring different fruits and vegetables and the Harvest hunt in the garden, that we all had together, we have been exploring different tree leaves and other natural resources.

This week's Topic: Harvest
Show and Tell: Harvest-Nature.





“We must accept finite disappointment, but never lose infinite hope.”

Martin Luther King Jr.

HARVEST ASSEMBLY

Harvest Assembly will take place at **St Thomas' Church** at 9am on 6th October 2016.

Children to be dropped at the church for 8am

Children will be escorted back to school after the performance by their teachers.

Directions to the church:

<http://stwss.org.uk/directions-st-thomas>

HOUSE POINTS WEEK 4

1 st	Balmoral
1 st	Stirling
2 nd	Camelon
3 rd	Drummond

Scientist of the Week

The second week of the Science challenge was huge fun and lots of the children took part, bringing in some fantastic contributions.

The scientist of the week is Oliver Stephens who produced some magnificent work about leaves. Nabeel was also given a prize for his enthusiasm and extra work at home. He brought into school some Agapanthus – science club dissected the seeds, and will be planting them in due course.



Art Choice Outing

The Art choice visited Tate Modern on Thursday afternoon to see the Georgia O'Keeffe exhibition.

The school was complimented on a number of occasions on our pupils' exceptional behaviour and the manner in which the students interacted with her art. We were fortunate to have enough time before the exhibition to enjoy the views across London from the 10th floor of the new building. It was an enriching experience and we would recommend a visit before the exhibition closes on the 30th October.

Football Fixtures

On Friday the U11 football team travelled for their first away fixture of the season to Dolphin in preparation for the football tournament at the same venue in exactly a week's time.

Both of the White House team's gave their respective matches everything, with performances of merit from Alex Grievson who never stopped tackling from the first to the last minute and Sebastian Small in the second match, who's endeavours in goal kept the White House in the match all the way through to the end. I also wanted to mention a brief thank you from the boys to the support we had on the touch line, we hope to keep you cheering all season.



Musical Magic

Bookings are now being taken through the school office for October's Musical Magic. Please see attached form.

24th October to 28th October. Please book early as this is always a popular week. The children will be performing 'Singing in the Rain' this half term.



Musical Magic Dates

This year's dates:

October Half term 2016:
24th – 28th October

February Half term 2017:
20th – 24th February

Easter 2017: 3rd – 7th April

May half term 2017:
30th May – 2nd June

Summer 2017:
17th -21st July
31st July – 4th August

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taken through the
office



“The function of education is to teach one to think intensively and to think critically. Intelligence plus character - that is the goal of true education.”

Martin Luther King.Jr

LOST PROPERTY

PLEASE CHECK THE BOX BY THE MAIN ENTRANCE FOR LOST PROPERTY. .



INDEPENDENT
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Accredited Member

Dates & Fixtures

Mon 3 Oct

Assembly 9am - Nia Coleman singing

Tues 4 Oct

Harvest Festival rehearsal in school
U9 Boys Football Tournament organised by Dolphin School (away) 1.15 - 4pm

Wed 5 Oct

No Karate

Thurs 6 Oct

Harvest Festival 8.30am children drop off
9am start At St Thomas' Church
Year 5 Visit to Royal Albert Hall
U9 Boys Football vs Oliver House (home)
2.30 – 3.30pm

Fri 7 Oct

WAPS Meeting 8:00am
U11 Boys Football
Tournament organised by Dolphin School (away) 1.15 - 4pm

Sat 8 Oct

U10 Boys Hockey
Match at Royal Russell 9am

Netball Fixtures

On Wednesday 28th September The White House Netball squad played their second match of the season against Oliver House.

Both matches were short and sharp; the girls showing great confidence and unity. The A team's match was very tight with great defence on both teams, nonetheless the end result was 1-0 to White House. In the B team match, again playing against girls older than them, the girls illustrated their fantastic dodging and sprinting skills. However, they lost 3-1. Congratulations to both teams, who showed perseverance and fantastic manners when interacting with the opposing teams.



Reception Outing

On Tuesday Reception Class enjoyed a visit to Wimbledon Windmill Museum.

Reception had a fantastic visit as part of their 'The Little Red Hen' topic. As well as looking at all sorts of different model windmills, they were able to climb high up inside the windmill and have hands-on experience of grinding the corn and then sifting it, to make flour. They looked at different farming tools and were amazed by the size of the scythe!



Upcoming

Monday 10 Oct

World Space Week

Tues 11 Oct

Yrs 2 & 5 Fire Safety workshop in school

Wed 12 Oct

U11 Boys Football vs Oliver House 2.15 – 3.15pm (away)

Thurs 13 Oct

U9 Girls Netball vs. Dolphin 2pm (away)

Fri 14 Oct

Mufti Day in aid of Friends of Agnes Riley
Gathering of the Houses – children to wear house colours

Harvest Assembly

Harvest Festival will take place at **St Thomas' Church Hall at 9am on 6th October 2015**. Children should arrive for 8.30am and will be escorted back to school after the performance by their teachers.

The church is always very grateful for any donations, which are distributed to families in need within the parish. There will be a table at the back of the church where these may be left. Please do not bring any donations directly to The White House School. The following items have been requested for the collection: Breakfast cereals, packet food and tinned items only. **No fruit, veg or perishable goods.**

Please check that items are well in date.

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