

THE WHITE HOUSE

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

WOODENTOPS KINDERGARTEN & THE WOODENTOPS NURSERY

10th October 2016, Week 6, Autumn Term 2016 | 0208 674 9514 | office@whitehouseschool.com | www.whitehouseschool.com

BIRTHDAYS

KAI JOHNSON Happy 4th Birthday **OSCAR KEYWORTH**

Congratulations on turning 9 **OSCAR MORRISON**

Happy 6th Birthday **CHLOE READ-BECHE**

Congratulations on turning 7 **LILY DUGARD**

> Happy 7th Birthday **SOFIA MORENO**

Congratulations on turning 9 JUDE KEYWORTH

Happy 11th Birthday **REBECCA YARKER**

Congratulations on turning 9 **MATTHEW ZWI**

> Happy 9th Birthday **UMAR SYED**

Congratulations on turning 11

> GOOD **BEHAVIOUR**

GOOD BEHAVIOUR **BADGES HAVE BEEN AWARDED TO...**

REC: PEARL DUGARD YEAR 1: RUPERT GODWIN-

BONFIELD YEAR 2: KIT NELSON

YEAR 3: ELLA MCINTYRE **YEAR 4: DANIIL BALAKHNIN**

YEAR 5: RHYS READ-BECHE

YEAR 6: AMELIE ZWI

• WELL DONE •



Welcome to Week 6...

Week 6 has started with House assemblies and will finish with the multicoloured spectacle that is the 'Gathering of the Houses'. The children will have fun coming together on Friday afternoon dressed in House coloured mufti, to meet with their houses and bond as a team through lots of activities, including designing this year's house shields.

Week 5 saw a beautiful Harvest Assembly with excellent singing and fantastic readings from Year 3 children. Well done to Sophie Zarod-Hall and Sarah Nesling for preparing such a lovely performance.

Last week also saw a large number of sporting fixtures; the reports follow later in the newsletter. I would like to take this opportunity to praise Sophie, Owyn and Barnaby for the hard work they have put in to ensure an excellent sporting start to the term. Week 5 also saw Year 5 visit the Royal Albert Hall supporting their learning on the

Amazingly week 6 is upon us, our last week

before half term!

Tomorrow Year 2 and Year 5 will enjoy our annual visit from the London Fire Brigade Education officer who will be sharing very important fire safety advice.

Sporting fixtures in netball and football continue this week and we finish our week with the 'Gathering of the Houses' mufti day children are to be dressed in the colour of their houses. £2 should be contributed to our second good cause this year 'Friends of Agnes Riley'.

I will be meeting with Perry uniform this week for our annual feedback meeting and would appreciate any comments, positive or developmental that I can share with their representative on Thursday.

I hope you have a restful and enjoyable two week half term and I look forward to seeing you on Monday 31st October when we return.

Best wishes, **Daniel Cummings,** Headmaster





Day Nursery

Bunnies this week have been exploring the Harvest festival through a range of sensory activities.

We really enjoyed designing the Farm animals in oats and crushed weetabix. We have also been hiding and finding fruits and vegetables in hay, role-playing buying and selling fruits and vegetables.

Bunnies also enjoyed painting their Harvest

Fox room focused on developing Maths skills, using fruits and vegetables, exploring the concept of heavy and light in weights. Counting and sorting vegetables and fruits by colour and size. And in the garden we enjoyed the vegetable and spoon race.

The new topic for Bunnies and Foxes will be "Space".



"Keep your eyes on the stars, and your feet on the ground."

Theodore Roosevelt

Scientist of the Week

In the spirit of last week's National Space week. The Scientist of the week was Zoe Traynor who produced a magnificent piece of research on the Rosetta space probe. Do encourage your children to collect the next challenge from Helen.

HOUSE POINTS WEEK 5



Football Fixtures

The boys' football squads have had an extremely busy week which began on Tuesday 4th October, when nine of the White House boys travelled to Dolphin School to participate in the Under 9's Consortium Shield Tournament.

The boys were tremendous throughout, winning five of their eight matches, a moment of notice should be given to the beating of Eveline Day comprehensively 5-1 and a superb victory over Alleyn's Junior School. It would be unfair to singular out one particular performance, as each boy played contributed superbly, whilst working fantastically as a team. I was very proud of all of the boys and I hope to continue this throughout the season, with the aim to producing a tremendous Under 9 football squad.

The enthusiasm and effort continued on the next Under 9 fixture, this time at home against Oliver House. The boys again performed excellently, a highlight being the winning margin of one of the five matches played, a staggering 9-1 win. It was a real joy to see the teamwork and endeavour being displayed in both teams throughout the fixtures.

The week was completed by the Under 11 in their football tournament again hosted by Dolphin School. The boys tried to get to grips with the league tournament structure and improved during every match, unfortunately it came slightly too late to climb the table. However, during the last match, the boys played really well as a team, exemplified by a superb double save,

Year 5 Outing

Year 5 visited the Royal Albert Hall on Thursday and took part in a fascinating 'Discover the Victorians' workshop.

They were taken back in time to the Royal Albert Hall in the late 1800s, bringing the Victorian era to life through interaction with characters representing different sections of society and learning about the achievements of notable individuals. In addition to this wonderful experience, we had an opportunity to walk around the Albert Memorial and have our lunch in front of the gates at Kensington Palace.



first from a penalty and then rebound save from Umar Syed which kept the boys in the match all the way to the end.

Overall the week was a success and all the boys who represented the White House with effort and endeavour on the pitch and respectful behaviour off. Thank you to all the parents that came to support.







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: 30^{th} May – 2^{nd} June

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

Bookings now being taken through the office



"In order to succeed, we must first believe that we can."

Nikos Kazantzakis

LOST PROPERTY

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



Accredited Member

Dates & Fixtures

Mon 10 Oct

House assemblies

Tues 11 Oct

Fire Safety Workshops in school

Yr 2: 9 - 10am

Yr 5: 10.15 - 11.15am

Wed 12 Oct

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

Thurs 13 Oct

U9 Girls Netball vs Dolphin 2 - 3 pm

Fri 14 Oct

Mufti day £2 for Friends of Agnes Riley Gathering of the Houses - children to wear house colours

Hockey Fixture

On Saturday the Under 10 boys hockey team played a 3 game fixture against Royal Russell.

Royal Russell is traditionally a hockey school so the fixture was never going to be an easy one. The White House boys were up to the challenge working well together in all three matches and showing a brilliant competitive attitude. Despite having the younger team with Year 4 and Year 5 children playing against the Royal Russell team that were entirely Year 5 the White House boys were able to match Royal Russell throughout the morning losing 1-0 in the first two matches even though they had dominated the possession with attacking play for long periods. In the final match with a different formation the team were able to exploit their territorial dominance and Lucas was able to smash the ball home for a deciding goal that saw the team take a deserving 1-0 victory in the last match. Well done to all the boys with notable performances from Camilo in goal, Rhys's for attacking flair and Flynn for his excellent hard working display. Thank you to our parents for getting up early on a Saturday morning and supporting the boys in all the matches.



Harvest Assembly

Thank you to the parents that attended the excellent Harvest Festival on Thursday at St Thomas' Church.

I would like to thank Sarah Nesling for her hard work in organising and preparing the children for the wonderful music which was of a very high standard. Well done to Year 3 who presented their poems with poise, clarity and confidence and thank you to Sophie Zarod-Hall who choose and prepared the poems for the Year 3 children. Our orchestra and Choir also deserve a special mention for their lovely pieces. Finally thank you to all the parents and families that donated food. This has been passed to the church to support our local foodbanks.



Upcoming

Wed 2nd Nov

Yrs 1 & 2 outing to LSO Discovery Concert at the Barbican

Tues 8th Nov

Yrs 3 - 6 outing to Synagogue

Mon 14th Nov

Year 3 outing to Balham Library

Tues 15th Nov

House Football Tournament at Agnes Riley Yrs 1 – 3 1.30 – 2.30pm Yrs 4 – 6 2.30 – 3.30-pm

WAPs Info

The WAPs would like to thank all the parents for their hard work in raising an amazing figure GOSH last year. This week a cheque has been raised for £10,260 which will go a long way to renovating new rooms for families.

Thinking of doing a clear our this half-term? We will be organising a Bag2School collection for after half term (date tbc). Bag2School work in partnership with schools to collect unwanted but re-usable clothes, shoes, soft toys, towels and linen. In return, they will pay us by weight and the money will go towards our school charity. For more

information: http://uk.bag2school.com/what-we-

collect