

Parent/Carer Newsletter

Key Dates for Parents/Carers

Monday 3rd May - Early May Bank Holiday (school closed) Friday 28th May - Last Day of Term

Important Information

Dear Parents, Guardians & Carers,

Last week was a very enjoyable week back. Last term we dedicated a lot of time to producing a new reading strategy for the school. We wanted an approach that developed phonics, vocabulary (including spelling) and comprehension throughout the school.

Teachers have been learning about prosody (see below) and the value of using vocabulary words correctly. Teachers use 'my turn your turn' to model accurate pronunciation of vocabulary. They look through the class reader to identify words they must understand to be able to comprehend the story.

Prosody is very important and is the way teachers read out aloud to pupils. Through their voice, tone etc. they model the importance of punctuation i.e. a pause, how one can play with grammar to create atmosphere and how the way the character speaks can give clues as to what they are like and how they may respond.

During our reading and Talk for Writing sessions we are making an emphasis on reading with prosody. Prosody means to gain and maintain the listeners' interest. Reading with prosody enables children to infer meaning, understand characters emotions, read grammar and punctuation to construct meaning.

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The link between fluent reading and reading comprehension

improved prosody supports better comprehension





The Senior Team and I spent the week observing the new guided reading strategy in action and it was lovely. I hope to get some videos up by the end of the week so that you can see the diligent approach the teachers are taking.

Parking - we are having a few issues with parking. Parents, please DO NOT park on corners even if you are in the vehicle. In addition, the grass verges should not be parked upon. It is very hard for us to patrol the whole area, please be mindful of others including the children who walk home alone. The gate is open for 15 minutes, I recommend arriving towards the end of the 15 minutes as there is no queue.

The sunflowers are looking very promising, and we will hopefully start seeing a growth in our vegetables too.

We hope you have a great week ahead!

Miss Mehat





Awards & Honours STARS OF THE WEEK						
Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
England	Australia	Canada	Ecuador	Mozambique	Hungary	Nepal
Yashveer	Yousef	Zoya	Hafsa	Nawfal	Inayah H	Ayaan
Wales	Tonga	Jamaica	Peru	Tanzania	France	🖈 China
Maryum	Myah	Amandeep	Hashir	Fahad	Jasdeep	Lewis
Scotland	Fiji	Mexico	🗙 Chile	Morocco	Italy	Thailand
Aqsa	Aliza	Ibrahim	Subhan	Caleb	Ekampreet	Yahya

MATH	LETICS	E
1st PLACE	Mexico	
	Tonga	2 nd PLACE
3rd PLACE	Tanzania	
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Key Messages & Reminders

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Just so you don't forget...

Head Teacher of the year Award

We are delighted to announce Miss Mehat has been shortlisted for the Head Teacher of the year award and we would like to ask parents to write testimonies on how Miss Mehat has supported you, your children or your family. To support our submission please send any submission by Thursday 29th April (sorry for the short turnaround) to pa@wexhamprimary.com

Many thanks in advance.

Car Parking during pick up & drop off

We have received a few complaints from residents about parents parking their cars recklessly in front of driveways, on grass verges and pavements. This is causing a nuisance for the residents as they are unable to get in and out of their homes as well as well as for pedestrians who are not able to walk along the pavements properly (especially those who have pushchairs).

Please be mindful of where you are parking your cars and please be safe when driving! Now that the weather is getting better, why not walk to and from School if you live close by – not only will this save you from sitting in traffic, but you will get your daily steps in!

Slough Music Service

Would you like to learn an instrument? Lessons with Slough music service are available in school or online. Discounted fees are available. For more information go to <u>www.sloughmusicservice.co.uk</u>. We have a variety of instruments in school that can be loaned to students including flutes, saxophone, recorders and clarinets and Slough music service can loan a wide variety of other instruments including violins, cellos and guitars.







Sunflower Growing Competition

Now that the weather is getting better, we have started to grow some plants! Each class has planted Sunflowers and we are holding a competition to see who's Sunflower will grow the tallest!

This week we have seen a significant change in the competition! Unfortunately, Thailand class are now out of the competition as their sunflower has sadly died 😟 better luck next time Thailand class.

On the other hand, China class have surpassed everyone and their sunflower is standing at a whopping 43cm tall. Not far behind is Ecuador class with their sunflower standing at 35cm tall. An excellent effort Thailand and Ecuador class - Well done 🐵

Class	12/03/21	19/03/21	01/04/21	23/04/21
Nursery AM	Dom	12cm		23cm
Nursery PM	Dom	12cm		18cm
Reception - England	Dom	1cm		
Reception - Scotland	Dom	2cm		
Reception - Wales	Dom	2.cm		
Year 1 - Fiji				
Year 1- Australia	Dcm	Dcm		
Year 1 - Tonga				
Year 2 - Jamaica	Dom	Dcm		
Year 2 - Canada	Dcm	Dcm		
Year 2 - Mexico	Dom	Dom		
Year 3 - Ecuador	Dcm	2.cm		35cm
Year 3 - Peru	Dom	Dcm		
Year 3 - Chile	Dcm	Dcm		
Year 4 - Mozambique	Dcm	Dom	3cm	5cm
Year 4 - Morocco	Dcm	5cm	6cm	
Year 4 - Tanzania	Dom	7cm	9cm	
Year 5 - Italy	Dom	Dom		
Year 5 - France	Dcm	2.cm	16cm	
Year 5 - Hungary	Dcm	Dcm		
Year 6 - Thailand	Dcm	Dcm	2.2cm	OCM RIP 😳
Year 6 - China	Dcm	5cm	19cm	43cm 😜
Year 6 - Nepal	Dom	Dcm	7cm	16cm





From all the staff here at Wexham Court Primary School, we wish you a great week ahead!