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### WELCOME BACK

Last term ended on a high with some lovely events. The Easter Fair was a huge success, attended by lots of our families. It was a lovely happy atmosphere- thank you to everyone who contributed to its success, and most especially to Karen Mellor and her team of Friends of Westgate helpers.



We also had our Easter concert in the last week of term. To see so many children performing and making music is always one of the special parts of my job, and it was a great success. I was so proud of all the children. Huge thanks go to Mrs Durrant, our music subject leader, and all our instrumental teachers, for helping the children to prepare... and you, of course, for supporting with practice routines at home!

Today is National Offer Day for Reception places. Parents of children who have been offered a place at Westgate should receive a letter from school today, as well as notification by email from Leeds City Council. Due to a low birth rate locally, there are a small number of reception places still available for September; nevertheless, it is very important you accept or decline the offer as soon as possible. The letter from school also contains important information about induction and starting school.

There are lots of lovely things to look forward to in the summer term, as weather gets (hopefully) warmer. I look forward to seeing you at some of these events in the coming weeks.

Helen Carpenter  
Head Teacher

**ANYTHING BOXED IN RED IN THIS NEWSLETTER MAY REQUIRE ACTION ON YOUR PART. THANK YOU ☺**

### GROW A £



After the success of last year's fundraising event, we are hoping to beat our final total this year and inspire even more children to take part. Just a reminder that:

A £10 Amazon voucher will be awarded for:

- The most original fundraising idea
- The most money raised
- The best enterprise idea

We hope to raise enough money to help fund a new Summerhouse / Playhouse in our Nursery / Reception this year.

All monies raised to be returned to school by **Friday 29th April. Cash and Cheques accepted.**  
**Cheques made payable to Friends of Westgate**

NB If your child does not take part, you should return the £1, clearly labelled with your child's name, to the office.



### FRIENDS OF WESTGATE

Thank you to everyone who supported our Easter Fair & raffle: our grand total is a fantastic £2758.68 profit!

This term, we are working on the Y6 leavers' Year Book, as well as co-ordinating the Grow a £ initiative.

**Our next meeting will be Thursday**

**20/04/23- come along and join us and have your say about what we do next!**

### WESTGATE WINDFALL

February's winners are:

1<sup>st</sup>: £130 J Bastow

2<sup>nd</sup>: £32.50 J Holmes

3<sup>rd</sup>: £16.25 S Kelly

March's winners are:

1<sup>st</sup>: £130 D&G Shearer

2<sup>nd</sup>: £32.50 K. Swettenham

3<sup>rd</sup>: £16.25 L. Fortune

As of March we have 65 members. If you would like to join the monthly draw, please see Mrs Bleasdale in the office for application details. You can pay by standing order. All proceeds go to Westgate School Fund, which is used to purchase resources, to fund visitors to school and to subsidise trips for all pupils. Average monthly prizes last academic year were £132.50, £33.13 and £16.56! School Fund contributes to the cost of trips, visitors, special events and equipment, which would not be possible without the contribution that Westgate Windfall makes.



### SCHOOL INFORMATION

Just a reminder that there is a wealth of information about Westgate on our school website, [www.westgateprimary.co.uk](http://www.westgateprimary.co.uk), including policies, information about our curriculum and the ways in which we support children. If there is something you can't find, please ask at the school office and we will be happy to provide you with the information you require.

### DATES FOR THE DIARY



Please find below a reminder of all the dates we have planned so far for the rest of this academic year. They are also to be found on the school website's calendar. Please make sure you transfer all relevant events into your diary or calendar as soon as possible!

**20/04/23 FOW meeting**

24/04/23 Y4 trip to Jorvik

01/05/23 Bank Holiday

**04/05/23 Class photos**

**08/05/23 Bank Holiday**

08/05/23 w/b Y6 test week

**17/05/23 Y1 Football festival at PHGS**

18/05/23 SEN reviews

20-24/05/23 Walk to School Week

20/05/23 Otley Show

**25/05/23 Maypole 09:15**

26/05/23 Break up for half term

05/06/23 Back to school

**06/06/23 RagBag collection**

**14-16/06/23 Y6 Herd Farm residential trip**

14/06/23 Reception Induction 19:00

15/06/23 Clean Air Day

19/06/23 Nursery Stay & Play am

20/06/23 Reception Stay & Play am

20/06/23 Y2 Skipton Castle trip

22-23/06/23 Y5 Whitby residential trip

22/06/23 Nursery Stay & Play pm

17/06/23 Otley Carnival

19-25/06/23 Refugee Week

20/06/23 Nursery Induction 15:45

26/06/23 Meet the Teacher Y2/4/6

27/06/23 Meet the Teacher Y1/3/5

**28/06/23 Y6 Junior Band day at PHGS**

**04/07/23 Y6 Rounders/ Cricket festival at PHGS**

**12-14/07/23 Y6 induction days at PHGS**

**13/07/23 Whole school induction/ transition day**

**13/07/23 Reception induction morning**

17/07/23 Talent show 13:45

19/07/23 Leavers' Play 19:00

20/07/23 Leavers' Party 19:00

21/07/23 Leavers' Assembly 09:00

21/07/23 Break up

24/07/23 Training Day (disaggregated)

25/07/23 Training Day (disaggregated)

If your child does not normally attend Nursery when a blue event is taking place, you are welcome to bring them along. Further details will be available from Miss Robinson.



### FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE

This half term, we will be looking at our peripatetic music lessons for 2023-2024.

Instrumental lessons are available to Y3 upwards and provide a great learning opportunity for pupils. Fees are payable for the full year so please give careful consideration before signing up. Similarly, if your child wishes to stop their music lessons from next year, please let us know this week, as this will affect our music offer. Many thanks.