

### BUSY, BUSY, BUSY!



This half term has been filled with great activities, thanks in no small part to Mrs Hooper & Mrs Hattersley, who organised Health & Wellbeing fortnight and Anyone Can Day, respectively. All the feedback I've had from children and families tells me a great time has been had by all. We're now focusing on the remaining activities before the end of term: Transition day on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July, leavers play, party & assembly for Y6, and getting ready to say farewells to Mrs Ireland and to all the children leaving us for a new school in September. It's also the time of year when we are finalising school reports and these will be with you in a couple of weeks' time. The children and staff have worked so hard this year to address the gaps in learning caused by the pandemic and I'm so proud of the progress everyone has made. Well done, everyone, and thank you for all your support to help make this possible.

**Helen Carpenter**  
Head Teacher

### ANYONE CAN DAY

Last Monday, we held our very first 'Anyone Can Day' and it was a huge success. Anyone Can Day was a fun, exciting, hands on and informative day which raised children's aspirations, challenged gender stereotypes and made links between the subjects they are studying, to possible future careers. There were 19 volunteers in total which helped to make this day an incredible experience for the children.



The day was an exciting, interactive experience for the children, allowing them to find out more about the world of opportunities that awaits them and tackle gender stereotypes.

You can read and see more from the day in the News section of the school website.

The volunteers were sourced from the local community and from a website called 'Inspiring the future'. All the volunteers were so complimentary about the whole experience: Nasira (Surgeon) said:

"I had the privilege of being invited to Westgate Primary School for their very first 'Anyone Can Day' It was a fantastic morning and I thoroughly enjoyed speaking to the students about 'being a surgeon'. I was particularly impressed with the discussion involving the students, raising awareness, and quashing any anxieties about gender stereotypes. It was incredibly refreshing to see, and a pleasure to be a part of. It was a very well planned day for the children and I just want to thank Mrs Hattersley and the team for a fantastic morning!

#### Quotes from the children:

Carys Y4 - "It was fun learning about peoples' jobs and learning about the skills needed to do their jobs."

Beth Y4 - "I liked learning about gender stereotypes and how men and women can do the same job."

Vincent Y6 - "It was very inclusive, and it was nice to see that some jobs are not dedicated for one gender."

Elliott Y6 "I didn't realise that some of these jobs actually existed. I enjoyed the activities and hearing from different people."

*Huge thanks to our equalities working group for organising the whole day.*

## HEALTH & WELLBEING FORTNIGHT, INCLUDING SPORTS DAY

In the last fortnight we have been delighted to provide a wide range of activities for all our children as part of Health & Wellbeing Fortnight:

- Scooter training Rec-Y6
- Thai boxing & elite athlete Rachael Mackenzie Y3- Y6
- Karate Y3/4
- Footloose Dance Y1/2/4
- Balance bike & cycling training Rec- Y2
- Tennis workshop & Ilkley tennis trophy match Y4/5
- Circus Skills Rec, Y2-Y5
- Cheerleading with Inspirations Dance Y4/5
- Cycle training Y3- Y6
- Bowling- Y6
- Anthony Cotterill, tennis Paralympian Y3- Y6
- Evening trip to watch the Lionesses play at Elland Road



You should receive information today about the many visitors and grassroots organisations that came into school and made this fortnight possible, in case your child has been inspired to do more with them out of school. All in all, the children took part in lots of experiences intended to inspire them and ensure that they enjoy being active.

It was lovely to have Sports Day back in full effect last week: thank you to everyone who came along to support the children and enjoy the day- and maybe even do a bit of running! You can read more about all of this on the school website. Well done to all the children for their great sportsmanship on the day, which led to the following result:



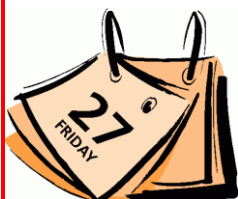
**1<sup>st</sup> Granville**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Richmond**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Westbourne**  
**4<sup>th</sup> Whiteley**



*Thank you to Mrs Hooper for organising such a fantastic fortnight!*

**Anything in a red box in this newsletter may require action on your part. Thank you ☺**

### DATES FOR THE DIARY



Please find below a summary of dates for the new academic year.

30/06/22 Nursery Stay & Play pm  
 30/06/22- 01/07/22 Y5 Whitby residential  
 13-15/07/22 Y6-Y7 Induction Days PHGS  
 14/07/22 Whole School Transition Day  
 14/07/22 Rec Induction Morning  
 17/07/22 FOW Jubilee Street Party  
 18/07/22 Talent show 13:45  
 20/ 07/22 Y6 Leavers Play 19:00- 20:00  
 21/ 07/22 Y6 Leavers Party 19:00- 20:30  
 22/07/22 Leavers' Assembly 09:00  
 22/07/22 Break up  
 25/07/22 Training Day (disaggregated)  
 26/07/22 Training Day (disaggregated)  
 Looking ahead to next year, term dates are as follows:

05/09/22 Training Day- school closed to pupils  
 06/09/22 Back to School  
 21/10/22 Break up for half term  
 31/10/22 Back to school  
 16/12/22 Break up for Christmas  
 03/01/23 Training Day- school closed to pupils  
 04/01/23 Back to School  
 09/02/23 Break up for half term  
 10/02/23 Training Day- school closed to pupils  
 20/02/23 Back to School  
 31/03/23 Break up for Easter  
 17/04/23 Back to School  
 26/05/23 Break up for half term  
 05/06/23 Back to School  
 21/07/23 Break up for summer  
 24/07/23 Training Day (disaggregated)  
 25/07/23 Training Day (disaggregated)  
**A full list of school dates for 2022-23 will be published in the final newsletter of the year.**

### WESTGATE WINDFALL

May's winners were:

1<sup>st</sup>: R Sells (£130)

2<sup>nd</sup>: H Light (32.50)

3<sup>rd</sup>: M Simpson (£16.25)

Junes' winners are:

1<sup>st</sup>: K Swettenham (£130)

2<sup>nd</sup>: H Light (£32.50)

3<sup>rd</sup>: K Waddington (£16.25)

As of June we have 65 members. If you would like to join the monthly draw, please contact [Mrs Bleasdale](#) in the office for application details. You can pay by standing order or cash/ cheque in advance. **We would really like to increase our membership this term, and the more members we have the larger the prize fund to be won! All proceeds go to Westgate School Fund. Average monthly prizes last academic year were £142.17, £35.54 and £17.77!**



### FRIENDS OF WESTGATE



Thank you so much to everyone who volunteered to prepare costumes and who turned out on the day for the first carnival since 2019! Special thanks to Sarah Dobson and her team of Carnival helpers. It was such a special community day and the whole town turned out for the occasion. Our two final projects this year are preparing the **Leavers' Yearbook** for our Y6s, and the delayed **Jubilee Street Party on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July**. We hope that many of you will be able to come along for a beer and barbecue, a sociable end to a year that has been much closer to normal than recent times, and to celebrate the jubilee!

### FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE:



Please look out for the online form for permissions coming out in the next week or so- it includes photography and film permissions, as well as end of the day arrangements for Y3 to Y6 from September. A separate form is coming out for current Y2 to ask about plans for school meals in September. Finally, please ensure you have settled any outstanding balances if your child is leaving Westgate at the end of this term.

*Thank you ☺*

### PARENT CARER ANNUAL SURVEY

At the end of this newsletter is a summary of responses to our annual parent summary. Thank you to everyone who took the time to respond. We have already begun to plan how we can improve communication about what children are learning and how they are doing, and I will detail this in the next newsletter. For now, however, you can see the summary data and how it compares to the most recent national parent survey data from OFSTED. The winning draw number is:



# 202

Please contact the office to claim your Love to Shop vouchers if this is you!

## ANNUAL PARENT SURVEY SUMMER TERM 2022

You can view a more visual representation of the responses [here](#).

*\*Shaded rows are the latest national survey responses (from OFSTED), for comparison purposes.*

<b>Number of responses:</b>		119 (representing 163 pupils)				
		<b>Strongly agree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Don't know</b>
1. My child is happy at Westgate.		62%	37%	1%	1%	0%
		60%	30%	5%	4%	1%
2. My child feels safe at Westgate.		75%	23%	1%	0%	1%
		63%	29%	5%	3%	1%
3. Westgate makes sure its pupils are well behaved.		48%	45%	3%	1%	3%
		48%	38%	8%	4%	2%
						<b>My child has not been bullied</b>
4. My child has been bullied and Westgate dealt with the bullying quickly and effectively.		6%	9%	1%	1%	9%
		8%	9%	5%	5%	7%
5. Westgate makes me aware of what my child will learn during the year.		19%	56%	17%	3%	5%
		43%	36%	13%	5%	2%
						<b>I have not raised a concern</b>
6. When I have raised concerns with Westgate they have been dealt with properly		30%	32%	2%	0%	3%
		36%	21%	9%	7%	2%
		<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>			
7a. Does your child have special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND)?		15%	85%			
		19%	81%			
		<b>Strongly agree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Don't know</b>
7b. My child has SEND, and Westgate gives them the support they need to succeed.		69%	25%	0%	0%	6%
		43%	25%	14%	14%	4%
8. Westgate has high expectations for my child.		39%	56%	2%	0%	3%
		46%	36%	7%	3%	7%
9. My child does well at Westgate.		48%	48%	1%	0%	3%
		52%	35%	6%	3%	3%
10. Westgate lets me know how my child is doing.		28%	59%	13%	0%	0%
		44%	39%	11%	4%	2%
11. There is a good range of subjects available to my child at Westgate.		38%	53%	2%	0%	7%
		51%	39%	4%	2%	4%
12. My child can take part in clubs and activities at Westgate.		48%	43%	3%	0%	6%
		51%	36%	6%	3%	5%
13. Westgate supports my child's wider personal development.		34%	55%	3%	0%	9%
		44%	34%	9%	5%	8%
		<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>			
14. I would recommend Westgate to another parent.		100%	0%			
		85%	15%			