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FAREWELL



It's the end of another extraordinary year. Looking back to the start of the year and all the restrictions that we still had in place, it's incredible to think that was only 10 months ago. Later this week, Y6 will be performing to a live audience for the first time since 2019- and we can't wait!

At the end of this week we are saying goodbye to Y6 as they move on to high school- Prince Henry's and Allerton High are lucky schools to be welcoming Westgate children in September! They leave us on a high, with very pleasing end of key stage results which reflect how hard they have worked to mitigate the impact of the pandemic on their learning.

As you know from previous newsletters, **Mrs Ireland** is leaving us at the end of this term, taking an early retirement and looking forward to a new career in horticulture. We are also very sad to say that **Mr Eley** is leaving us this term. Mr Eley has worked at Westgate ever since he began as a volunteer football club coach the best part of 20 years ago, and will be sorely missed by children and staff alike. I am sure you will all join me in thanking him for his significant contribution to Westgate and wish him well for the future.

This does of course leave us with a big gap. I am delighted therefore to tell you that Mrs Pollhammer will be taking on his PE & Sport teaching on Wednesdays from September. Finally, I'd like to thank all our families for your support for the children's learning this year. I hope you all have a restful summer, and look forward to welcoming most of you back to Westgate in September: for those of you who are moving on, I wish you all the best for the next step of your child's educational journey.

Helen Carpenter
Head Teacher

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.

05/09/22 Training Day all staff
06/09/22 Back to School
25/09/22 FOW BBQ/ children's activity afternoon TBC
26/09/22 w/b Y6 Bikeability training
26/09/22 Bike to School Week
05/10/22 Rec Curriculum evening 19:00
06/10/22 Harvest Festival
18/10/22 Consultation evening 17:00

20/10/22 Consultation evening 15:45
21/10/22 Break up for half term
31/10/22 Back to school
01/11/22 Individual photos
07/11/22 Booking for SEN reviews opens
14-18/11/22 Anti-Bullying Week
14-18/11/22 Otley Science Week
14/11/22 UK Parliament Week
15/11/22 Y1 Science trip
15/11/22 Nursery Stay & Play am
15/11/22 Nursery Induction 15:45
16/11/22 Reception Stay & Play am
17/11/22 Y5 Science trip
17/11/22 Nursery Stay & Play pm
18/11/22 Children in Need day
28/11/22 Choir Otley Xmas Lights pm
30/11/22 SEN reviews

06-12/12/22 Hour of Code (Computer Science Education) Week
 07/12/22 FS Xmas performance 14:15- 14:45
 08/12/22 KS2 Xmas performance 19:00
 09/12/22 FS Xmas performance 11:00
 09/12/22 KS2 Xmas performance 13:45
 09/12/22 Choir Xmas Tree Festival pm
 12/12/22 KS1 Xmas performance 14:00
 13/12/22 KS1 Xmas performance 10:00
 14/12/22 School Xmas Dinner
 16/12/22 Xmas Parties
 16/12/22 Break up for Christmas
 02/01/23 Bank Holiday
 03/01/23 Training Day- school closed to pupils
 04/01/23 Back to School
 04/01/23 booking for SEN reviews opens
 10/01/23 Y6 Herd Farm/ SATs mtg 18:30
 17/01/23 Y5 Whitby mtg 18:30
 25/01/23 SEN reviews
 06/02/23 Booking opens for consultation evenings
 09/02/23 Break up for half term
 10/02/23 Training Day
 14/02/23 Safer Internet Day
 20/02/23 Back to school
 20/02- 05/03/23 Fair Trade Fortnight
 21/02/23 Nursery Induction 15:45
 22/02/23 Nursery Stay & Play pm
 23/03/23 Nursery Stay & Play am
 27/02/23 Reception Stay & Play am
 02/03/23 Governors Day in School
 02/03/23 World Book Day
 06-10/03/23 Scoot to School Week
 07/03/23 Consultation evening 15:45
 09/03/23 Consultation evening 17:00
 20/03-31/03/23 Big Walk & Wheel
 21/03/22 FOS Poetry Slam event
 25/03/23 FOW Easter Fair
 29/03/23 Easter Concert 14:00
 31/03/23 Break up for Easter
 17/04/23 Back to School
 24/04/23 Booking for SEN reviews opens
 01/05/23 Bank Holiday
 04/05/23 Class photos
 08/05/23 w/b Y6 test week
 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
 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
 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)

WESTGATE WINDFALL

June's winners were:

1st: KR Swettenham (£130)

2nd: H Light (£32.50)

3rd: E Savin (£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



A huge thank you to everyone who volunteered this year, or who came along and enjoyed one of our many events. It's been a really successful year and we've really enjoyed re-introducing face to face events over the course of the last 6 months. Next year we are looking forward to continuing this, hopefully welcoming back events like family bingo and children's discos.

Look out for information about our AGM in September, and hopefully on 25/09/22 an afternoon of inflatables and go karts for the children, alongside a BBQ and bar- subject to confirmation from the activity provider!



FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE:

Please ensure that you have completed any online permission forms before the end of term, and that you have settled any outstanding balances if your child is leaving Westgate at the end of this term.

Thank you ☺