

West Oxford Community Primary School

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WEST OXFORD COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Inspiring curious minds and responsible citizens.

We have high expectations

We aim for every child to enjoy school and to achieve or exceed expected progress.

We are an inclusive community

We value kindness and we celebrate and respect diversity.

We encourage a growth mind-set

We believe that curiosity, effort and resilience are the keys to achievement.

We consider the future

We encourage healthy choices for ourselves, our community and our planet.

Dear Parents and Carers,

We had a very successful Anti-Bullying Week last week. With the help of the Anti-Bullying Ambassadors, we were able to lead three school assemblies. We had a fantastic show of support on the Monday, in preventing bullying, by participation in Odd Socks Day. We were able to raise £83.60 from generous donations, for the Anti-Bullying Alliance who help to provide resources for schools across the country as well as training for staff, for Anti-Bullying Week each year.

Our slogan and poster contest winners from Key Stage 2 were: Owen and Isaac from Year 6, and our Key Stage 1 winner Lana from Year 2. A big thank you to our School Council Members for their help in choosing the winning entries and to the Anti-Bullying Ambassadors for creating a group of finalists for them to choose from. There were over 45 children who helped to create an entry into the contest.

Tuesday, all classes nursery through to Year 6, made a large circle on the playground, and held hands as we made a pledge to choose Respect, which was Anti-Bullying Week's theme this year, as well as then repeat the winning slogan from our Anti-Bullying Week Slogan and Poster contest winners: "Let's Bulldoze Bullying: We Are Different, That is What Unites Us." Then before going to playtime, we all did "The Wave" in order to demonstrate what we can do when we all work together.

On the Thursday, which was the first national official "Anti-Cyber Bullying Day," Years 3-6 attended an assembly which Ms Hart and the Anti-Bullying Ambassadors led to teach what cyber-bullying is and what to do if they or someone they know is being bullied online.

All classes also had a lesson about choosing respect and how to show respect in different situations.

Our Anti-Bullying Ambassadors will be carrying on more activities throughout the school year in an effort to help make West Oxford a bully free school.

Thank you to everyone for your support and participation and helping to make this year's Anti-Bullying Week a huge success.

Ms Jamie Hart

Best wishes
Clare Bladen
Headteacher



Upcoming Events

Tuesday 27th November

Year 1 and 2 to Winchester Science Centre

Thursday 29th November

Year 5 to Waddesdon Manor

Friday 30th November

Parent Forum 9:00am

Thursday 6th December

Early Years Open Morning 10:00am
Full Governing Body Meeting 6:00pm

Saturday 8th December

WINTER WONDERLAND FUNDRAISER

Tuesday 11th December

Year 1 & 2 Nativity 2:00pm & 6:00pm

Friday 14th December

Christmas Jumper Day
in aid of Save the Children

Tuesday 18th December

Early Years Nativity Play

Thursday 20th December

KS2 Christmas Concert
at St Frideswide's Church 6:00pm

Friday 21st December

Term Ends at 1:15pm

7th & 8th January 2019

Staff INSET – school closed to children

Wednesday 9th January

Children return to school 8:50am

See www.westoxfordschool.co.uk for further dates

More Important Information

TRIPS AND VISITS

Oxford Christmas Lights Festival Lantern Parade

Year 6, accompanied by Ms Newman and Mrs Bethel, took part in the Oxford Christmas Light Festival Lantern Parade on Friday 16th November. Their lanterns were made on the theme 'Undiscovered Oxford' and showed Oxford Castle.

Mrs Bethel



Year 5/6 Rugby Festival Tuesday 6th November

10 children from Year 5 attended a Tag Rugby Festival, held at Grove Rugby Club and attended by all the schools all over Oxfordshire. Many of the children had only ever played tag rugby at school so this was new experience for them and one they all enjoyed. They played 3 games, winning one and losing two, very closely fought matches. The children were able to learn more about the game by watching other schools play and showed great determination and sportsmanship.

Mrs Bethel

Year 3 to Corinium Museum, Cirencester

Year 3 went to the Corinium Museum last week and had a wonderful day experiencing life in Roman Britain: dressing as Romans, sketching mosaics, playing Roman games and learning about Roman artefacts.

Ms Morley.

Safeguarding children

If you have any concerns about the welfare of any child at West Oxford School, please report your concerns to Ms Clare Bladen, Designated Safeguarding Lead or Mrs Tessa Palfreyman, Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead or Miss Laura Cheeseman Designated Early Years Safeguarding lead at West Oxford Community Primary School.



FRIENDS NEWS

The cheque is in, drum roll...

West Oxford Primary have received **£2250** from our fundraising efforts at Binsey Fete. Thank you to all those who volunteered – a wonderfully enjoyable and successful coming together.

Only 15 more sleeps!

We are thrilled to confirm that **West Oxford Winter Wonderland** can go ahead, thanks to those of you who have taken a lead on the range of activities on offer. Come and join us in the festive fun: buy your Christmas tree, make a natural wreath, have a selfie with Santa, keep the children entertained with games and Christmas crafts, listen to the school choir, enjoy a warming mulled wine with a platter of cheese whilst the kids can have their dinner in the café and much, much more.

We still need volunteers to help out on the day including setting up from 12pm and running stalls and activities throughout the day. Contact your year group rep, Sophie or Vic. Year group responsibilities are:

Nursery: Toys, books and sweet stalls

Reception: Café

Year 1: Parent prezzies

Year 3: Café

Year 4: the bar

Year 5: Wreath making

Year 6: Games

We look forward to seeing you all there: bring a friend, get into the festive spirit, all whilst raising more funds for the school.