

West Tytherley CE Primary School

Friday 27th May 2022

Dear Parents,

I wrote yesterday to tell you about the class organisation for September and I am pleased to invite you to meet with your child's new class teacher on Tuesday 5th July 2022 at 3.30pm.

This is for the following year groups:

Jess Finlay for current Year 1 parents.

Jess Lee for current Year 3 , 4 and 5 parents.

I hope that you will take advantage of this opportunity to meet and talk to each of the teachers and find out a little more about their plans for the new academic year.

Sport Day-

We are planning to hold the sports day this year at Broughton Football field, which will give us plenty of space,

Please can we ask that your child has a plain t-shirt in their house colour - if this presents a problem please do not hesitate to contact us.

PTA Money for Oak Class

We were delighted to be given some money from the PTA and we used it to buy some plants which we have put into pots to decorate the front of the school . The children were taught how to do this properly by our gardening expert Mrs Rose., I was listening, and taking notes!

Jubilee Events

Mrs Finlay will be in charge of the catering team of children at the cream tea on Friday 3rd June. I look forward to seeing everyone at the picnic on Sunday, for the maypole dance.

Have a lovely half term and enjoy the time with your family,

Kind regards

Lucy Macey

INSET Days for the next academic year

21st October 2022

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31st January 2023

20th February 2023

Termly Awards

Improvement in Handwriting Award
Edward
Alex
Serian
Solomia

The Continuing Achievement Award
Sienna
Milan
Barnaby
Olivia

A message from Derek Smith - Chair of Governors

It has been an action-packed half term, as these weekly newsletters show. As a governing body, we have also been busy. Over the past few weeks, we have carried out monitoring visits at both schools – looking at how we drive progression in the teaching of English and Maths, checking aspects of safeguarding practice, looking at internal processes around procurement, and reviewing our school’s extra-curricular provision. We have also agreed the future budget and considered the plans for class structuring which you will have seen this week. Governors also oversaw SATS week, acting as invigilators, and supported Mrs. Macey in making the new appointment of Hannah Lowey, our Teaching and Learning Strategic Lead, who will start in September. These are just some of the things we have been doing – and I haven’t mentioned attending and enjoying the wonderful Broughton School Fete, so brilliantly organized by FOBS.

The parent survey results, which are available on the schools’ websites, showed the strength of many areas of what our schools provide. One bit of feedback we want to address is to give you a clearer picture of what we do to set high expectations for your children – in their learning, behaviour and personal development. I will say more about that in the next newsletter, so we can kick off the second half of term with enthusiasm and aspiration. In the meantime, have a relaxing half term break - and enjoy those Jubilee celebrations.

Derek Smith

Chair of Governors

Chess Club

After school, on Wednesdays, the children take part in chess club. This club has been growing in popularity over the last few terms and there is now a large group of children who participate. It is wonderful to see them develop from week to week, thinking about the best strategies to win their opponents pieces. What has also been wonderful to see is how the younger children in the school are being supported by the older children in the club and they are now growing in confidence to play matches against each other. We look forward to seeing this club continue to grow and who knows, we may even have a future chess master in our midst.



Thought for the Week

This week I have been following the theme of 'Dreams'. There are quite a few stories including dreams in the Bible. Can you think of any? This week is also the start of a special time of prayer in church (starting Thursday 26th May – Ascension Day – and ending on the Jubilee Weekend). In each of our churches are some books which might be of some help in praying. Do include a trip to a church in your Half Term Holiday. Whichever one you choose there is always something exciting to see – inside or outside. And why not say a prayer: Heavenly Father, thank you for the churches where we worship you. Help us to remember that they are special places to remind us of you. Amen

Vicar James

Let's Get Together for the Jubilee! The West Tytherley Jubilee Tea

- ❖ **Friday 3rd June**
- ❖ **3pm-5pm at The Village Hall**
- ❖ **£5 cash each adult, £3 each child**
- ❖ **Pay at the door**
- ❖ **1950s Theme**
- ❖ **Cakes, Scones, Tea and Coffee**
- ❖ **Children's Drawing Competition**



Let's Get Together for the Jubilee! Part 2: Picnic on the Rec BBQ at the Pub

- ❖ **Sunday 5th June**
 - ❖ **Picnic on the WT rec from 2pm-5pm**
 - ❖ **Bring your own picnic**
 - ❖ **Visit the famous WT plant stall and cake stall**
 - ❖ **Raffle**
 - ❖ **Take part in the traditional WT egg throwing competition!**
- Followed by a BBQ at The Black Horse, from 5pm**



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News from around school

Beech

Beech Class have written letters to Mr Tiger to invite him to school for tea this week which we will be having on Friday morning with scones with cream and jam.

Meanwhile, our reception children have been busy planning a welcome party for our new reception children who will be starting next academic year. It has been so lovely to see how they have matured and are thinking about how their new classmates might feel starting at school for the first time.

In Maths, both year groups have been working on multiplication and division, halving, grouping and doubling numbers up to 25. The children have continued this into their play, doubling the cost of items in the class shop and doubling their scores with the water shooter.

We have finished our enquiry 'What was it like to come to our school in the past?' with a pretend Victorian lesson. The children sat in lines with blackboards and chalk, practicing sums. It was unanimous that the children prefer school now to how it was in the past.

I hope that you all have a restful break and I look forward to seeing you all for the final half term of the year.



Chestnut

Last Friday, the children designed their pizzas in Design and Technology. They had to make a final decision on which base they were going to use and then think about the toppings they would like, considering what would make a balanced meal. A shopping list was devised from this and they have been making their pizzas this morning. I hope you all enjoy a wonderful meal that has been prepared by the children.

In History on Monday, the children explored the differences between the classes on board the Titanic, considering the differences in the bedrooms. The children were then asked which class they would rather travel in, ignoring the fact the ship sank! It was interesting to hear some of their reasons; some children wanted a luxurious room whilst others were happy with second-class because there was enough room in those cabins and one child wanted to be in third-class because even though they have enough money for first-class, they would like others to experience the luxury.

During English lessons this week, the children have been identifying the features of a non-chronological report and writing their own, based on the character Woolf. The involved thinking about what it looks like, where it lives, what it eats and any interesting facts about it. On Thursday, the children designed their own animal and will be generating their own non-chronological report about it after half term.



Willow

This week in Willow we have been working incredibly hard. We are working towards a deadline for our poetry competition which is due on Friday. We have been producing some amazing double page spreads on the techniques, types and themes in poetry and even exploring sound by creating some music. The children have been working so hard and some of the most amazing work has been produced.

In Maths, we have been focusing on statistics and have been solving problems with tally charts, pictograms and graphs. Again, the children have been working incredibly hard to produce beautiful pieces of work, which I am very proud of.

In other subjects, we have been evaluating our science investigation and deciding if it has been a fair test and what we would do next time if we were to do it again. We looked at another investigation online and considered how they evaluated it, and then compared it to ours. This was interesting because we also got to find out if plants need soil to grow (spoiler: they do!).

Finally, we also had a whole afternoon of French, where we started learning the names of animals - which was really interesting and funny. We have tried to implement some of these names into our everyday school life, for example, we changed the menu from 'chicken nuggets' to 'nuggets de poulet.'



Oak

Oak Class have been learning their spellings using a kinaesthetic approach this week and have been committing their spellings to memory by carving them in dough. They have thoroughly enjoyed this approach, as you can tell from the pictures.

Our Science learning this week has focussed on looking at how fossils are created and the children have made their own 'mold' fossils using plaster of Paris and a range of shells.

In Maths, there has been further work securing addition and subtraction methods, and work dividing and multiplying fractions.

In the final week of our poetry unit, the children are creating their own acrostic poems, using the techniques and forms in the poems that they have studied.

We are looking forward to next term, when there are lots of opportunities to take our learning out and about, and we will start to think about the end of year play!



May Half Term

MON 30TH MAY – 1ST JUNE



We have a fantastic week planned for May half term at Norman Court, West Tytherley.

Please book early to avoid disappointment.

We accept all CHILDCARE VOUCHERS

Please bring a lunch box and snacks

Morning session	8am-1pm	£25
Afternoon session	1pm-6pm	£25
All day	8am-6pm	£40

Please visit our website to book online via ClassForKids or contact us on: enquire@ecomontessori.co.uk

Payment is required in advance of sessions.

Message from Miss Debbie



"Hello, my name is Miss Debbie. I am the Manager of Eco Montessori at Norman Court. I have worked in Early years for over 13 years and am a qualified Forest School Practitioner. My favourite environment is one without walls. One where children can lead and extend their own learning and play with only natural resources around them."

Typical Structure of the Day

(For children aged 4-11)

8.00-9.30am	Arrival, Breakfast and free play
9.30-10.30am	Activity One
10.30-11.00am	Snack Time
11.00-12.30pm	Activity Two
12.30-2.00pm	Lunch time and Adventure play
2.00-4.00pm	Activity Three
4.00-5.00pm	Free Play and snack
5.00-6.00pm	Free play and Home time

For a full programme of activities, please see overleaf



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PROGRAMME OF ACTIVITIES



Forest School MONDAY 30TH MAY

- Activity 1 Nature Walk / Scavenger Hunt
- Activity 2 Hapa Zone (Hammers / Rocks)
- Activity 3 Team games in the woodland - Stick towers

Tool Work TUESDAY 31ST MAY

- Activity 1 Making log or rock pets
- Activity 2 Clay faces
- Activity 3 Tree climbing

Save The Bees! WEDNESDAY 1ST JUNE

- Activity 1 Nature walk and solitary Bee home hunt
- Activity 2 Make our own Bee homes
- Activity 3 Planting a bee friendly garden

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee 2022

HOLIDAY CLUB WILL NOT BE RUNNING ON THURSDAY 2ND JUNE AND FRIDAY 3RD JUNE



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