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Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2026  
**Excellence with Compassion**

Dear parents and carers,

## World Book Day

We had some fabulous work shared in Family Assembly. Classes shared the work they had been doing during World Book Day including some photos of Year 6's acting of the Big Bad Wolf being put on trial for eating the Little Pigs, fascinating (if slightly disgusting facts) from Year 4 about toilets, their book character AI toilet designs and model clay toilets. We also saw some lovely sheep collages from Year 1, and Year 3 shared some lovely work based on the hungry caterpillar.



## Thames Explorer workshops

On Thursday, Years 4, 5 and 6 were visited by the Thames Explorer Trust who led a workshop all about rivers and the River Thames. They recapped our knowledge of imports and exports around the world, and then zoomed in to learn about the features and uses of the River Thames. They also went back in time to learn about the history of the river.

## Science Day

Our Science Day this year was all about curiosity and asking questions about the world around us. The day began with an exciting whole-school assembly led by Professor Kevin Walsh, who amazed us with a range of fascinating experiments that sparked everyone's interest and encouraged us to think like scientists. After the assembly, the school was split into groups to investigate the question: How do birds build their nests? We explored how birds carefully choose materials and locations to protect their eggs from harsh weather and hungry predators. Using our creativity and problem-solving skills, we then designed and built our own nests using clay, pipe cleaners and feathers. Each group thought carefully about how to make their nest strong, sheltered from the weather and safe from potential prey.



Artsmark  
Silver Award  
Awarded by Arts  
Council England

At the end of the day, the best nest from each group was proudly displayed in a whole-school assembly. Three judges carefully examined each design before announcing the winning team. Congratulations to Maya, Poppy E, Preston and Mason whose fantastic nest design impressed the judges. Well done to everyone for showing such brilliant curiosity and teamwork!



### E-Safety

Don't forget, we have our E-safety session for parents tomorrow morning, run by the school nursing team. This will be in the computer room, please do come along.

### Use of WhatsApp Groups

This year we gave a 'health warning' on the use of messaging platforms (such as WhatsApp groups) amongst our community, as historically issues/disagreements that have occurred out of school, can then flow into school, and some communications can sometimes lead to misinformation. Whilst instant messaging can undeniably have many advantages, we would encourage our community to be mindful of what is shared and be compassionate in their communications. In the context of home and school we would, as ever, encourage parents to talk to us if they have a concern about their individual child, or if they have missed out on a communication from school. We make every effort to ensure we are available to address any issues constructively.

### Attendance:

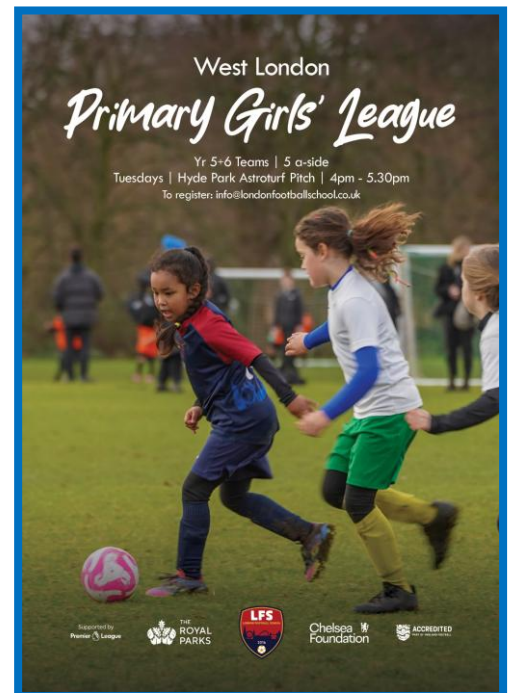
Please do take a note of our holiday dates. These are available on our website, in a handy credit card size, and are regularly in our newsletters. Holidays in term time are not permitted and may result in a penalty notice. We ask that parents provide evidence that medical advice has been sought if a child is ill and there have been more than 2 days off. We ask for 2 days, because if your child is not well enough to come to school after 2 days, then it is advisable to seek medical advice – this could be a phone call or advice from a pharmacist.

Congratulations to Class R with 99% attendance, making them the best class for attendance over the previous week.

### Dates coming up:

#### March 2026

- Tues 17<sup>th</sup>: E-safety and AI for parents
- Wed 18<sup>th</sup> Class 3 to library
- Fri 20<sup>th</sup>: School closed: training day for school staff
- Tues 24<sup>th</sup> Yr 3 Bikeability
- Wed 25<sup>th</sup> Yr 6 to the library
- Wed 25<sup>th</sup> Yr 4 taking part in PMF concert at Pimlico Academy 6.15-7.15pm
- Thurs 26<sup>th</sup>: yr 6 to Kensington Library for Black and Blue Project
- Thurs 26<sup>th</sup>: Green school workshop Class 5, School Disco, Full Governing Body Meeting.
- Fri 27<sup>th</sup>: last day of term – school finishes at 2.30pm



### Awards

**Star of the Week:** Poppy S

<b>Courtesy</b>	Peter and Aidan	Darcy and Archie	Ciaran and Mutaz	Carter and Tatiana	Ortek and Salman	Casey and Sham	Jude and Ayan
<b>Mentions</b>	Ryan and Yaqub	Mya and Azjad	River and Annalisa	Tatiana and Amayah	Rishan and Safina	Aron and Lev	Sana and Farmaan

Have a lovely week!

Rebecca Anson

Headteacher