

Western Primary School Newsletter – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September



## Western Houses

Following consultations with children across the school, Western has introduced a 'House' system for all pupils. Children can earn 'Western Points' for their House as rewards for outstanding work, behaviour and manners. Each week the Western Points will be totalled with the winning House being announced during Assemblies on a Thursday. At the end of each term, the House with the most points will be presented with the Western Trophy which will then carry the relevant House colours. House Captains and Vice-Captains, drawn from the Year 6 children, have been elected by the children in their House teams.

To mark the 100th anniversary of the start of The First World War, Houses have been named after former pupils of the school who lost their lives and are commemorated in school on the board located between the Year 1 classrooms.

The names of Houses with their Captains and Vice-Captains are as follows:

**Lupton House** (Blue)

Captains:	Archie Stackhouse	Freya Levine
Vice-Captains:	Eddie Leedham	Sassy Palfreman

**Croft House** (Yellow)

Captains:	Max Templeman-McGarty	Abi Sorrell
Vice-Captains:	Archie Woods	Kate MacCartney

**Wallbank House** (Green)

Captains:	Tom Owen	Phoebe Hall-Jones
Vice-Captains:	Charlie Rayfield	Mimi Papon

**Askew House** (Red)

Captains:	Patrick Moss	Lucy Rees
Vice-Captains:	Henry Moss	Evie Malik

Keep your eye on the newsletter for weekly House winners!

**Big Apple Art Challenge**



Well done to the Year 3/4 children. Our decorated apple won first prize in the Big Apple Art Challenge. Each child decorated and thought of a descriptive word for an apple. These were then put together on a large apple. All the apples from different schools were displayed at the Autumn Flower Show and we were judged to be one of three winners.

## Year 3/4 Tudor Workshops



On Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September, the year 3/4 classes took part in Tudor workshops run by visitors from Murton Park. They brought with them many replica artifacts and costumes.

'Last week some visitors came in from Murton Park which is in York. They were called Master David and Goody Tabatha. They told us lots of interesting facts about Tudors and showed us lots of real Tudor objects.

Ella Rowell dressed up as a poor Tudor woman and Rufus Palfreman as a rich Tudor man. We loved it!

By Theo Levine and Sophie Ward Y3/4HC.



### **We are Finalists!**

We are pleased to announce we are Finalists in the 2014 Mumbler Awards for the categories of Favourite Pre-School for the nursery and Favourite Children's Class or Activity for the Parents and Toddlers group. We would appreciate if all parents old and new to the school could vote for us as [www.mumblerawards.com](http://www.mumblerawards.com) Thank you!  
Mrs Magill and the FS Team

### **Equipment wanted!**

Foundation Stage would like donations of dressing up clothes, dolls and dolls clothes. If you can help, please pass on any toys to the early years team in reception or nursery. Thanks!

The Toddler Group would like donations of small toys such as HappyLand or Little People. Thank you!

### **Jeans for Genes Day**

Last week's Jeans for Genes day raised an amazing £341.47. Well done to everyone who took part.



## Brilliant Board Games Club



Do you want to challenge your friends whilst learning new skills?

Why not come along to our new club where you will have the opportunity to play traditional strategic board games (Draughts/Scrabble/Monopoly) and try your hand at chess. We will also be using iPad apps to stretch all you chess champions.

You never know, you might even beat your grandparents this Christmas!

The club runs on a Tuesday from 3.15 to 4.15 in Mr Broad's Classroom and is suitable for children from Year 2 to Year 6. If your child wishes to attend, please complete and return the attached form.

Claire Edwards and Mrs Wilkinson



### School Dinners

The cost of school dinners for all Key Stage 2 school children is £2.10 per day, payable every half term. **Please note that all school dinners must be paid for in advance.** The cost of school dinners for this half term (until 24<sup>th</sup> October) is **£81.90**. Could you please pay online at [www.parentpay.com](http://www.parentpay.com).

Please remember that if your child wishes to change to or from School Dinners, then this can only be done at the end of the half term, unless arrangements are made through the school office.

### Morrisons 'Let's Grow' Vouchers

We are once again collecting Morrisons 'Let's Grow' vouchers. In the past, these vouchers have bought pots, seeds, compost and gardening tools for Gardening Club and also purchased cooking equipment for the whole school. If you are shopping at Morrisons please bring any vouchers collected into school and place them in the box by the Year 1 lockers. The vouchers will be handed out when you shop at Morrisons until October 26<sup>th</sup> 2014. Thank you.



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## Swimming

### Year 2 Swimming Dates:

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October – Miss Taylor's class  
Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> October – Miss Jones' class  
Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October – Miss Taylor's class  
Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October – Miss Jones' class  
Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November – Miss Taylor's class  
Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> November – Miss Jones' class  
Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> November – Miss Taylor's class  
Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November – Miss Jones' class  
Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December – Miss Taylor's class  
Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December – Miss Jones' class  
Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December – Miss Taylor's class

### Year 3/4 Swimming:

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> September – Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December – Mrs Coatesworth's class  
Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December – Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April – Mr Fraser Smith's class  
Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April – Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July – Mrs Collett's and Ms Smith's classes

# Awards:

**House Point Winners:**

**Lupton House**

## **Key Stage 1 Awards**

Amy He Miao Qi  
Sean Stainsby  
Ed Sherliker  
Charlie Harrison-Pugh  
Jess Barker  
Isaiah Pietrowski  
Elise McPherson  
Kitty Williams  
Tilly Haslewood  
Jack Boid  
Edith Jewitt

## **Key Stage 2 Awards**

Sophie Atkinson  
Roan Clawson  
Miko Booth  
Patrick Moss  
Elizabeth Atkins  
Sasha Paskowska  
Becky Owen  
Charlie Straker  
Henry Moss  
Lily Stockburn  
Max Templeman-McGarty



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## Dates for your Diary:

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> September – FS1 Autumn Walk in Valley Gardens  
9.45-11am

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> September – Y5/6 Welcome Meeting for parents  
5pm

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October – Parent/teacher  
consultations FS2, KS1 & KS2

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October – FS Harvest Assembly 9.15

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October – KS1 Celebration Event 1.30 and  
2.30pm

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> November – Y3/4 Terrific Tudors Event 1.45 and  
2.30pm - PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE**



## School Holidays

### Autumn Half-Term Holiday:

School Closes: Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October at 3.15pm

Return to School: Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November at 8.55am

### Christmas Holiday:

School Closes: Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December at **2.30pm**

Return to School: Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January at 8.55am

### Spring Half-Term Holiday:

School Closes: Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February at 3.15pm

Return to School: Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February at 8.55am

### Easter Holiday:

School Closes: Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March at **2.30pm**

Return to School: Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April at 8.55am

### Summer Half-Term Holiday:

School Closes: Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May at 3.15pm

Return to School: Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June at 8.55am

### Summer Holiday:

School Closes: Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July at **2.30pm**







### **Ashville College Open Day**

Ashville College are holding an Open Day on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> October between 1.30 and 4.30pm. Fliers are available from the office.

## **PTA News!**

### **AUTUMN FAIR**

Our school Autumn Fair was held last Friday evening, and was a great success. Thank you to everyone that came along to support us. We hope you had great fun, and thank you for helping us raise valuable funds for the PTA in order that we can continue to support our school.

We must give our thanks to the many people and business that gave their time or donations to support our fair. We couldn't have done it without them. So, thanks to: Asda, Fat Badger, Black Sheep Brewery, Boxclever Consulting, Prologue, Horticap, Lengs, Homebase, Enjoy-a-ball, Marek Jagucki, the School of Rock and Pop and our very own Rock Star Rookies.

Many thanks must also go to everyone who donated so generously to the tombola and cake bake, plus all the parents, teachers and pupils who organised and manned the stalls.

#### Winners:

*Name the Pony:* The pony's name was Mistral. Winner - Isabella Leedham.

*Fantasy Island treasure hunt:* The treasure was at the Lookout Post. Winner - Lewis Walsh.

*Guess the number of sweets in the jar:* There were 391 sweets in the jar. Joint Winners - Robin Osburn and Hannah Jagucki, who both guessed 350.

*Guess the weight of the cake:* The cake weighed 2.441kg. Winner - Jen Bursell who had the closest guess at 2.45kg.

### **COMING UP!**

#### **Quiz Night & Christmas Fair.**

Dates will be announced shortly.

### **SECOND HAND UNIFORM SALE**

We will be holding a second hand uniform sale after school on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October. Any donations will be gratefully received during the week of the sale.

### **Information on Matched Funding**

Many employers offer to make a monetary donation when their employee is involved in fundraising for a charity. This may be matching the amount of money raised by their employee at an event, or by pledging a specified amount. If you are able to help at one of our PTA events, please ask your employer if they offer matched funding as it could significantly increase the amount of money that we are able to raise for the school.

### **Western Family & Friends Annual General Meeting**

The AGM for the PTA will be at 9am on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October in the canteen. Please put the date in your diary. All welcome.

### **Bags 2 School Dates**

20<sup>th</sup> October 2014

25<sup>th</sup> February 2015

10<sup>th</sup> June 2015

### **Bags To School**

The next Bags to School collection takes place on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October and your child will soon be bringing home a bag.

Please fill with old clothes, bags, shoes etc - the heavier the better!

The PTA receive money based on the weight of the bags collected, so if you are having a sort out, please put clothes aside. Last year we raised around £1000 in this way.

### **Advertise in the next School Calendar**

If you have a business or service – and want to help Western – then why not advertise in the next school calendar by sponsoring a month's page? For just £30 your company details will be seen by all the school's parents, every day for a whole month ... which is a lot of people!

If you want to sponsor a month, then please contact me by e-mail ([zoehebblethwaite@gmail.com](mailto:zoehebblethwaite@gmail.com)) or leave your details at the office by Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October. But be quick – advertising is very popular!

### **Cake Bake Dates:**

**When it is your children's class cake bake, please leave cakes under the pergola on Friday morning, ready for the cake bake after school. Thank You!**



Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September  
Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> October  
Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October  
Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October  
Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October

Year 2 - Mrs Taylor  
Year 3/4 - Mrs Collett  
Year 5/6 - Mrs Frost / Miss Thompson  
Reception - Mrs Magill  
Nursery - Mrs Thomas

## Class Reps 2014/15

We are still looking for a class rep for Miss Riddle's class. If you are interested, please contact Linnea Stokes ([linnea.stokes@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:linnea.stokes@yahoo.co.uk)). Thanks.

	<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Class rep</u>
<b>Nursery</b>	Mrs Gemma Thomas	Helen Taylor
<b>Reception</b>	Mrs Claire Magill	Linnéa Stokes
	Miss Laura Hindle	Kirsten Stewart
<b>Year 1</b>	Miss Helen Sinclair	Sally Haslewood
	Miss Laura Boulderstone	Jenny O'Neil
<b>Year 2</b>	Miss Sarah Jones	Lara Sansing
	Mrs Holly Taylor	Katie Wright
<b>Year 3/4</b>	Mrs Collett	Caroline Marlow
	Ms Lorraine Smith	Katie Garmston
	Mrs Angelique Coatesworth	Sam Haslam
	Mr Fraser-Smith	Jennifer Pietrowski
<b>Year 5/6</b>	Mr Tim Broad/Mrs Katherine Wood	Helen McCartney
	Miss Dawn Thompson/Mr Peter Frost	Kirsty Leedham
	Mrs Suzanne Brooke	Sue Owen
	Miss Sara Riddle	