



We are an inspiring learning community with high expectations, where all feel safe and happy and everybody has the opportunity to unlock and realise their potential

What's happening this term?

23 rd May	Healthy Living Week
24 th May	Mr Blackman and a team of children from Year 2 to Beavers School for a football tournament
25 th May	Mr Blackman and a team of children from Year 6 to Chiswick School for Cricket
30 th May	Half term
6 th June	Return to school
8 th June	Class photographs
8 th June	Height and weight for Reception and Year 6
10 th June	Reception 2 Class Assembly
10 th June	PTA Mufti Day
13 th June	Year 6 PGL Liddington
15 th June	Summer Concert Kneller Hall Year 2
16 th June	Reception 1 Class Assembly
17 th June	Inset Day – NO SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN
20 th June	Hearing screening for Reception
22 nd June	Dr Bike in for Years 3 and 4
24 th June	Junior Citizen Scheme Year 6
24 th June	O’Keeffe Class Assembly
24 th June	Year 5 visiting Chiswick Community School
24 th June	PTA Mufti Day
1 st July	Matisse Class Assembly
1 st July	Nursery visit to Chiswick House
1 st July	PTA Mufti Day
9 th July	Summer Fair

Choir

Please note there will be no choir afterschool next Tuesday (24th May).

Pupils arriving early to school

Children must be accompanied by an adult if they come to school before 8.45. If you need your child to be in school earlier, please book them into breakfast club, which costs £3. We cannot take responsibility for any child on their own in the playground before 8.45, or supervise their safety or behaviour, so will take them to breakfast club if they are on site.

Lost Scooter

A purple Micro Scooter which has been marked with the name Julia, has gone missing from the bike shed. If your child has taken it in error please return it to the school office as the child concerned is very upset.

HEALTHY EATING WORKSHOP

MONDAY AT 2.45PM.

Please come along to meet Leanne Turk the Training and Development Chef from Chartwell (our school catering company) Leanne will be discussing healthy eating ideas based on the “Eatwell plate”

She will also have ideas about what should be included in children’s lunchboxes.



Healthy Living Week 2016: 23rd May to 27th May (Next Week)

Next week is our Healthy Living Week in school, and all the children are asked to come to school in their **PE/Sports kit everyday**.

The children will take part in a variety of activities.

Everyday - Morning Aerobics in the playground (Parents are more than welcome to stay and join in).

Monday

Circus skills - Reception & KS1

Handball - Year 3 & 4

Tuesday

Gaelic Football - Year 5&6

Wednesday

Hula Hooping Workshop - Nursery, Reception and KS1

Thursday

BIKE DAY - any child who cycles/scoots to school between 8am and 8.30am will get a free breakfast in the school Hall

Fencing - Year 5

Friday

BRING A BEAR DAY - children are encouraged to bring their favourite teddy bear to school

Fencing - Year 6

Netball - Year 3&4

Grandparents event - Children have been given letters for this. This is an opportunity for your children's grandparents to visit the school and see the school.



CALLING ALL KEEN GARDENERS!

We are starting a Gardening Club in school which will encourage our children to learn about growing plants – not only flowers but vegetables and fruit too.

BUT we need to have some adults who are willing to help run this Club or – if you are unable to come on a regular basis – spare a few hours of your precious time to help.

PLEASE contact me by leaving a note in the office – I am in school every Wednesday and Thursday – and I will contact you to arrange a meeting.

Thank you – your help will be much appreciated.

Deirdre McIlreavy

The Importance of Reading

Reading isn't just about literacy and passing the dreaded SATS tests, it's far more than that. Reading changes the way our brains work, how we relate to and communicate with other people, and how we understand the world.

Here are just a few ways that reading matters:

1. Reading improves your parent-child relationship. All academic studies encourage parents to start reading to their children in infancy not only to promote literacy, but also to improve their relationships with their children. Reading together helps you and your kids connect, which builds strong bonds between you. You're also nurturing their self esteem and having fun building memories that will last a lifetime for both of you.
2. Reading improves concentration. Children learn concentration and discipline while reading or being read to. A wriggling little toddler eventually gains the ability to focus on longer and more complex stories. So don't despair or give up too soon. Reading is a really enjoyable way to help your little ones sit still and listen, and it will be helping their ability to concentrate too.
3. Reading builds neural pathways in the brain. Reading is exercise for your brain. It's not just that your brain processes words and meaning while looking at the text, reading actually changes your brain's structure. If you need convincing, check out the six-part series, "[Why Reading Matters](#)," from the BBC. You'll never think about reading the same way again.
4. Reading teaches children about language. Reading teaches your child about the building blocks of language, including cadence, vocabulary, structure, and word definitions. Children's ability to communicate grows as their reading exposure increases.
5. Reading can make you smarter a study from 2013 suggests that reading to kids in an "interactive style" (asking open-ended questions and engaging your child in the story) can boost their IQ by up to six points as you engage their cognitive ability and help them process the language, vocabulary and text.
6. Reading can make your child more empathetic because navigating social relationships is nearly impossible without the ability to recognise and understand other people's emotions, and this is really important! So ask open ended questions like 'How do you think he's feeling?' 'How would you feel if that happened to you?'
7. Reading encourages creativity. Reading ignites the imagination, opening up your child's mind to new ideas and concepts and imaginary worlds. Reading fosters ingenuity and inventiveness.

So the next time you're tempted to skip reading to your children at bedtime as you're too tired, or they say 'again, again' because they want the same book AGAIN, pause to ponder just how important it is. You'll be glad you did!



LONDON WELSH RFC AND THE BRITISH & IRISH CUP VISIT THE WILLIAM HOGARTH SCHOOL.

On Wednesday, Will Luangrath from London Welsh RFC visited KS2 to talk to them about the core values of rugby and how they can use them in school. As part of the assembly the pupils were able to their photo with the British & Irish Cup, which London Welsh won in April.

London Welsh had been in working with pupils from Year 6 and Year 5 during the Spring Term and we hope to see them again soon.



Walk to School Week

Well done to all the children who took part in Walk to School Week - Living Streets. The response across the school has been fantastic!

If your child walked to school everyday this week they will receive a Living Streets magnet for all their walking.

A special assembly is planned for next week where Debra the Zebra will come to visit the children to talk about road safety and congratulate them for taking part in Walk to School Week.

Beat the Street

The William Hogarth School has been offered the fantastic opportunity to be involved in Beat the Street Hounslow.

Being part of Beat the Street will provide an opportunity for pupils, staff, parents, carers and the whole community to improve their health while supporting the school community.

We will be able to win prizes for the school and individuals involved.

For your chance to be part of Beat the Street and find out more about this fun event come along to a meeting during Healthy Living Week.

It will be held in the Breakfast Club room behind the Year 6 classrooms on Friday 27 May at 9.30am.

FOWHS

Bingo Night

The new date for the Bingo evening is Tuesday, June 21st, from 7.30pm at school. Round up your friends and family for this evening of friendly banter, a game or so of bingo and some delicious snacks cooked for you by Eileen Atkinson. Entry fee is £5 and tickets will be available from your class reps in the coming weeks. Drinks are available to purchase on the night but snacks and bingo cards are included in your entry fee.

Carnival in the Park

Preparations for the summer fair on the Green behind M&S are in full swing and the date is approaching rapidly. Every class has been allocated a stall and your class reps will be in touch with you about what help they will need from you, leading up to the day and on the day itself.

As previously mentioned, a fair on this scale involves a lot of work, by a lot of people. Please come and lend a helping hand. Without the parents in our school, events like these cannot take place, please keep that in mind. And you know your kids will be super proud when they see their mum or dad helping out for a good cause!

Estate Agent boards

Calling all home owners and family members and friends again for the bi-annual estate agent board hosting drive. You will all have seen the estate agents boards up around your streets, advertising everything from school fairs to charity bingo's etc. Our sponsor, Felicity J Lord is advertising our fair (and their own company) through those boards too. We need a minimum of 40 boards going up a few weeks before the fair.

If you can host a board or you know someone who can, please let us know @ fowhs2015@yahoo.com. All you need to do is send us an email with the address where the board can go up and the estate agent will put it up approx. 2 weeks before the fair and will take it down a week after the fair again. Easy peasy and no work to you, but valuable money going to our school.

Nearly New Toys and Children's Clothes:

I think spring is meant to be a good time to do clear outs. You now have a really good excuse because we are after your second hand **children's clothes** and **nearly new toys**. The clothes (kids only!) must be clean, stain and hole free and in a general good condition. The toys also need to be clean, in working order (if they require batteries, please make sure they have those so we can demonstrate that the toy actually works) and damage free. If you bring in soft toys, make sure they have been washed and are in excellent condition.

Please bring in your goods to the school office any day of the school week, between now and the fair.

As always we will have an **international food stall**. If you are a bit of a cook and fancy making something from your home country on the day of the fair, please let us know.

Mufti Days

We will have a few "Friends" **Mufti** days coming up to collect donations for our summer fair. Please don't forget to bring in your donations on those days your kids come to school in their own clothes. All donations will be used in the ever so popular Tombola at the fair. The second mufti day coming up is on the **10th of JUNE** and we will be collecting donations for the children's Tombola. Small games, books, toys etc always make excellent donation items.

Cake Sale

Last weeks cake sale by year 5 raised £90. Today Year 4 will be hosting the cake sale. Thanks to all who brought in the tasty treats and to those who helped setting up and selling the cakes.

Dates for the diary:

Friday May 27th: Year 3 cake sale

Friday June 10th: MUFTI day, please bring a donation for children's tombola

Tuesday June 14th: PTA Meeting

Tuesday June 21st: Bingo evening

Saturday July 9th: Summer Fair



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