



# Wyton Primary Diary



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## Message from the Head:

We can't believe we've only been back in school a week and a half, as we've done so much already! Classes have begun working on The Daily Mile and our children are already able to run further and longer without breaking into a walk. Children have selected and many have already started their clubs for this term. And yesterday, we held our first special event of the year in school, run by INSPIRE and attended by Key Stage 2. Children's books are already filling up with work of a high standard and our staff have been impressed with the way our children have come back to school with a positive attitude to learning and a strong work ethic. We are very much looking forward to the rest of the term and I would like to thank parents and carers for their support in enabling such a smooth start to the term.

## Please don't Forget...

- As advertised in previous newsletters, we have begun The Daily Mile, which an overwhelming majority of pupils voted for last year. In pilot schools across the country, the most effective Daily Miles have been run without the children changing for PE. We would therefore ask that parents send their children to school in footwear which is safe to run in – as they will now not only be running about at play and lunchtimes, but during the Daily Mile as well.
- We also ask that children bring a bottle of water into school each day as well as coats and sunhats.
- As we have pupils with a severe nut allergy, we ask that parents are diligent in ensuring that their children's lunches are nut free. Parents will recall that we sent a letter home last year explaining that this could save a child's life.
- Please remember to avoid holidays in school term times. See the letters and forms section of our school website for more information on this topic:  
<http://wytonprimaryschool.org.uk/Newsletters.htm>

## A Huge Thank You!

- When we returned to school last week, our children were delighted at the transformation in the playground! Many thanks to Mr Alexander and Mr Cox, who worked tirelessly over the summer to remove some very stubborn tyres, to prepare the ground and put in our small world and quiet play area. This week, pupils will be asked what type of resources they would like to have in the area to share and play with. We are very lucky to have such caring, supportive (and strong!) parents!

## Coming Very Soon...!

- There will be an opportunity for parents and carers to meet their child's new teachers in their classrooms tomorrow evening after the Head teacher's Update Meeting, which starts at 6pm. The purpose of the Head teacher's update meetings for parents is to provide them with current information and consultation on educational and school issues. The focus of September's meeting will be: **Home Learning Policy 2016-17 – information & consultation**
- Years 3 and 5 will be undertaking the swimming element of their PE curriculum from 26<sup>th</sup> September to the end of half term. Pupils in these classes will receive a separate letter outlining the arrangements for this.
- New for this year – we will be inviting parents into school to sample or share school dinners with their children on a Thursday, (see the diary dates opposite) Meals **MUST** be pre-ordered using your child's menu card. Please write clearly "+1 adult" and the meal you would like, from your child's menu for that week. Adult meals cost £2.82 and must be paid for before or on the day the meal is taken.

## Let's Celebrate!

Over the summer, the school received three new awards in recognition of the work children have been doing towards promoting healthy and responsible citizenship. The school has been awarded:

- Unicef's Recognition of Commitment (ROC), for work undertaken as a Rights Respecting School
- Sustrans' Bronze Bikermark, for work undertaken to support and promote sustainable travel
- The government's Silver Sportmark, in recognition of children's commitment and achievements in PE and Sport.

For a full list of this and previous weeks' achievements, please visit our school website <http://wytonprimaryschool.org.uk/HeadteacherAwards.htm>

## Attendance

Congratulations to **da Vinci Class** for having the best attendance so far this term. You are really helping us towards our annual target of 96.4%.

	So far this term
Johnson (Reception)	86.7%
Nightingale (Year 1)	98.2%
Hillary (Year 2)	97.9%
Keller (Year 3)	98.8%
Seacole (Year 4)	99%
Da Vinci (Year 5)	99.6%
Luther- King (Year 6)	99.3%
Overall	98%

## Diary Dates

- Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> September – 6pm in the hall:** Head teacher's Update Meeting: Home Learning
- 26<sup>th</sup> September to the end of half term – Yrs 3 and 5** Swimming (see separate letter)
- Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October –** Individual School Photos
- Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November (3.15 – 7pm and 3.15 – 5.30pm respectively) –** our next formal Parent Consultations. Appointments can be made via the School Office. Please remember that staff are always happy to meet with parents to discuss concerns or queries – please contact the School Office for an appointment.
- Week beginning 14<sup>th</sup> November –** Anti-bullying week and Children in Need Day

### Invitations to join us for a school dinner for this term:

Year 1 – Thursday September 29<sup>th</sup>  
 Year 2 – Thursday October 6<sup>th</sup>  
 Year 3 – Thursday October 13<sup>th</sup>  
 Year 4 – Thursday October 20<sup>th</sup>  
 Year 5 – Thursday November 3<sup>rd</sup>  
 Year 6 – Thursday November 10<sup>th</sup>  
 Reception – Thursday November 17<sup>th</sup>  
*If you are having lunch with your child, please arrive at the school office at 11.55am (KS1) and 12.40pm (KS2)*

### Next Full Governing Body

#### Meeting:

- 28<sup>th</sup> September 6pm
- We currently have vacancies for School Governors. Please contact Miss McFarlane in the School Office for details.

Just a reminder that the Mobile Library Service stops outside the playground every 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 3.15pm. If we don't make use of this valuable service, we could lose it altogether!