



# West Park Academy

**Date: March 2019**

**Spring Term 2**

**World Book Day:** This year we are celebrating "Bring Back the Bedtime Story." We are asking children to come to school in their pyjamas. Children are welcome to bring slippers to wear in the classroom however please could children bring their school shoes for playtime and lunchtime.



**Book Fair:** Book Fair will be in school starting Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2019 until Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2019 it will open at 8.30am until 8.45am and then 3.30pm until 4pm, however, on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2019 it will be **morning only**.

**Book Vouchers:** Book vouchers were given out to children on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2019, these can be used to deduct £1 off the purchase price of a book.

**School Council:** We are the school council and our role is to help improve and make decisions about our school. So far this year, we have helped improve how children come in from break time and settle down. We have also taken suggestions from our classmates about what they would like for their lunch.

**Red Nose Day:** Red Nose Day is on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2019 and we have decided to raise money by inviting all children to wear something red e.g: a headband, a red nose, a bow, red shoes, glasses, t-shirt, earrings, wristbands, watch or a hair bobble. Please don't feel you have to buy something for your child to wear as it only has to be small. If you don't have anything red for your child to wear, your child will have the opportunity to make something in class. All we ask is that, in return for wearing something red, you bring in a small donation.

Due to safeguarding, children from Reception to Year 4 who attend Breakfast Club in the school hall must be signed in by parents at the school office each morning. Please do not drop off at school gates. Children in Year 5 and Year 6 are able to sign in themselves.

<b>Forthcoming Events:</b>		
Mon 4th Mar - Fri 8th Mar	8:30 AM - 8:45 AM	Book Fair - School Hall
Mon 4th Mar Thurs 7th Mar	3:30 PM - 4:00 PM	Book Fair - School Hall
Wed 6th Mar	3:00PM	Year 2 SATs Meeting
Wed 6th Mar	5:00PM	Year 2 SATs Meeting
Thurs 7th Mar	All Day	World Book Day - Bring Back the Bedtime Story
Fri 8th Mar	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM	Yr 6 Educational Visit - Safer Futures
Fri 15th Mar	All Day	Comic Relief - Wear Something Red
Mon 25th Mar	All Day	Yr 4 Educational Visit to Segedunum, Newcastle
Mon 25th Mar - Fri 29th Mar	All Week	Parents Consultation Week
Tues 26th Mar	All Day	Tempest Class Photographs
Thurs 4th April	3:30PM	Easter Fair - More details to follow
Fri 5th April	3:30PM	School Closes for Easter Holidays
Tues 23rd April	8:45AM	School Re-Opens

**Thank you:** Thank you to McNulty & Sons for supplying time and materials in our Nursery outdoor area. It looks wonderful!



**Espresso Home Access:** Espresso Primary is an award-winning, digital resource service that is used in thousands of schools across the UK. The service includes videos, multi-media activities, a weekly news service, printable resources, interactive games and much more. We have had this resource in school for a number of years and it is available for all children to access at home.  
<http://www.espresso.co.uk/online/>  
 Username: student9351 Password: wpaespresso

**Swimming Gala:** On Monday, children from West Park Academy attended the heats for the Swimming Gala. Although they did not qualify for the finals, the children from West Park should be incredibly proud of themselves. We have received feedback from a parent from school and also a parent from another school who both took the time to contact us to say how our children encouraged and supported others. Please see our website or our Facebook page to view the positive feedback.

**Mayors Charity Song Contest:** On Friday 1st March 2019, West Park Academy attended the Mayors Charity Song Contest at the Dolphin Centre. They were fantastic and really made us proud. Well done to all who took part!

**Nursery Admissions:** If your child was born between 1st September 2015 - 31st August 2016 and you would like your child to attend West Park Academy Nursery in September 2019, then please contact the school office on 01325 380792. We offer a choice of flexible hours ie: five mornings or five afternoons or two and a half days at the start or end of the week.

**Information:** Please note the school day is 8:45am - 3:30pm. If you require your child to leave at any point during the school day evidence must be provided with a reason.  
Also if a message is required to be passed onto your child please contact the school office by **3:00pm** at the latest.

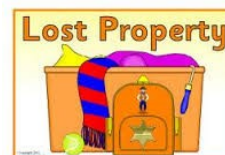
**Family Learning:** Family Learning are running a 5 week 'Positive Parenting' course at West Park Academy, each Wednesday morning 9:00am - 11:00am. The course started on 6th March 2019 but there are still places available. They are also running a 5 week 'Cooking on a Budget' course starting Wednesday 24th April 9:00am - 11:00am. If you are interested in either courses, please contact Mrs Graham on 01325 380792.

**Reminder:** Registers close at **9:00am**. Arrivals after this time will without reason affect attendance.

**School Meals:** If you would like to make a change to your child's current meal pattern: ie changing from Packed Lunch to School Meal or vice versa then please inform the school office, giving two weeks notice.

**Nut Allergy:** Just to make you aware that we do have children with nut allergies in school. Please be mindful when sending food into school, this includes products such as Chocolate nut spread etc..

**Lost Property:** Please check the lost property boxes (large red boxes) which are situated at the front of the school, near the main entrance. We make every attempt to reunite clothes with their owner. This is made much easier if clothing is named. All unclaimed items will be disposed of **at the end of the day on last day of term.**



**Contact Details:** If you have moved address, had a change of telephone number or need to update emergency contact details we ask that you inform the school office immediately. This is to enable the school to contact you in an emergency should one occur.



**Marvellous Me:** Marvellous Me is an exciting light touch app that our teachers will use to share wonderful news about your child's learning and development skills. Each child will receive a letter with details of how to sign up complete with a special code. Visit the parents section of our website with information on how to download the app.

MARVELLOUS ME



You can also look on the school website: [www.westparkacademy.org.uk](http://www.westparkacademy.org.uk) and click on 'School Life' for events throughout the school year as well as individual class newsletters, and after school club calendar. Our website is regularly updated, why not have a look. We are also on 'Facebook and Twitter.'

