



## WINNS WEEKLY 3.2.2023

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## DATES FOR DIARIES W.B. 6.2.2023

Wednesday 8th February Reception Parent Workshop (14:45)
Thursday 9th February 3ED Class Assembly
Friday 10th February Year 5 & 6 No Space for Hate Assembly

#### SITTING VOLLEYBALL FESTIVAL

Some of our Year 5 children visited Leyton Sixth Form College on Tuesday as we entered two teams into the WF School Games festival. Team Red showed some excellent teamwork and won lots of games across the day. Team Blue made it all the way to the final, losing out to Handsworth. This was a fantastic result for the group, especially as it was their first experience of playing sitting volleyball. Well done to everyone!





#### **YEAR 1 ZOO TRIP**

All of our Year 1 classes went on trips to the London Zoo this week. The children were taking their learning about habitats and animals even further and were able to see lots of different animals up close and personal. Thank you to all the staff who accompanied the children and also the parents helpers, without which, the trips would not have been possible.







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#### A MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear parents and carers,

Life at The Winns has been very busy indeed over the past few weeks. How lovely it is to see the weather getting a little warmer and the days a little longer.

Most of you will know that Ofsted visited us last week and inspectors spent two days in school talking to staff and children and observing what we do. A huge thank you to everyone who was so supportive during the visit. The kind words on the gate and engagement on Ofsted Parent View were hugely appreciated. The report will be published in a few weeks - we will of course let you know when it becomes available. Thank you also for being so understanding about the school closing on Wednesday. Again, we had lots of support and I know some of you joined the huge demonstration in Central London.

This half-term has flown by. Lots of children have been out and about on trips and we have had lots of visitors, including a very large T Rex, in school! We are continuing our journey to becoming a Rights Respecting School and have been talking to our children about our vision and values:

Belonging Exploring Growing Achieving
Be kind Be Respectful Be Brave Be Curious Be You

This work will continue next half term as we continue to embed our school vision into the life of the school.

One of my favourite things this half term has been meeting with a group of children from Y2-Y6 on a Friday for Hot Chocolate. Children are selected because they have been observed demonstrating our values in school. They have really impressed me with their ideas for school improvement and their ability to voice their opinions. They have given me lots of great suggestions about improving lunch play and next week we will be sharing some new play equipment with the children, based on their suggestions.

Have a great weekend,

Fiona

#### BADMINTON 'RACKET PACK' EVENT

This morning, we took a group of year 4 children to Peter May Sports Centre to take part in the 'Racket Pack' badminton event. All the children learnt new skills which they will be able to bring back to school to share with their classmates, represented the school fabulously and had lots of fun in the process. Well done all!













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#### SUSTAINABILITY AND **FASHION ASSEMBLY**

Children in Year 5 & 6 took part in an assembly on Thursday looking at fast fashion and how companies are working hard to ensure their products are more sustainable and kinder to the environment. We were fortunate to have fashion expert, Francesca Mangano, one of our Year 6 parents, deliver an engaging assembly that got our children thinking about what they can do to cut down on the enormous mountains of waste clothing going into landfill sites around the world each year.

#### **NSPCC NUMBER DAY**

We supported the NSPCC's Number Day in school today by taking part in 'Dress up for Digits'. All the children had the opportunity to work on some exciting maths puzzles and challenges in class as well as some year groups competing in the TT Rockstars 'NSPCC Rocks' day. As a community, we have raised around £400 for the NSPCC - a fantastic amount! Thank you to all our families for your generous support.















# STORY WINDOW That

WOULD YOUR HOME LIKE TO
JOIN THE
E17 AND E10
STORY WINDOW TRAIL?



The idea behind the trail is to promote reading by getting people to decorate their front window of their home in the lead up to World Book Day, Thursday 2nd March 2023.

Decorations can fall along any book theme – a book you love in your home, a favourite character from a book and it's a great opportunity for kids and their parents and carers to get creative.

Signs mark the Story windows trail. Central Estate Agents kindly sponsor the event and will pay the school £15 for each sign put up outside a home advertising the trail, so that the Winns can buy books for the school library.

You can have a sign outside your home without decorating your front window.

The signs would remain up until the 31st of March.

If you are decorating your front window people can post images/videos of their window display, if they wish to, to social media with the hashtag #E17storywindows2023

A map to the window trail is then created for kids and adults to enjoy between the 1st-31st of March.

All we need to know is, would you like to join in? And if so, email your full name, postal address and postcode to fotwtreasurer@gmail.com. We then create a secure form of the list of participating households so Central knows how many signs to order and where to place them. Central Estates do not use this information in any way.

Deadline to email through that you'd like to get involved is 3pm this Monday 6th



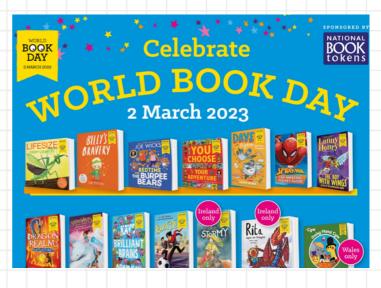
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#### **WORLD BOOK DAY & BOOK FAIR**

We're so excited to share the news that, once more, we will be celebrating World Book Day this year. Because of possible industrial action, we have shifted our celebrations to Friday 3rd March with a big fun day of dressing up as our favourite book characters. To make the whole event go with a bang, we have organised for a Travelling Book Fair visit that will run from Friday 3rd March to Wednesday 8th March. Children will have the opportunity to browse and buy the very latest in quality children's books from a wide range of publishers, and help raise much-needed funds to re-stock our fantastic library. We want everyone to join in the fun; we will even be running a competition to win some fantastic prizes as well.



### **4EB CLASS ASSEMBLY**

4EB were the latest class to dazzle us with a production of near West End proportion when they performed their class assembly to parents and families this morning. We found out all about the Romans and the Anglo-Saxons, and how they continue to influence our lives today. The children had learnt their lines well and performed them brilliantly. The audience was especially impressed with their rendition of Katy Perry's 'Roar' to exemplify our work on Article 12 of the UNCRC. Well done to 4EB and to Miss Bairstow, Miss Rumi, Miss Kayda and Miss Laura for preparing the children so well.





#### REMINDERS

Packed lunches should be healthy, balanced and only include one small treat. Please do not send your child to school with a lunch high in sugar and fat. We encourage all children to bring water in a reusable plastic bottle. Children are not allowed sweets in packed lunch boxes.

#### **School Holidays**

Requests to take your child out of school during term time for holidays will not be granted. Special leave will only be granted in exceptional circumstances. Any unauthorised absences from school may result in you being issued with a penalty notice and a fine.









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