

Whitehall Park School

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Friday 1st July 2022

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Message from the Senior Leadership Team

Dear Parents and Carers,

With the end of the school year rapidly approaching there is still a fantastic buzz of children engaged in their learning. Next week we will be sharing with parents which class your child will be in next year. The transition morning for children to meet their new class teacher will be on Friday.

This week we were lucky to be visited by 2 very inspirational men: Saidu and Jamar. Both worked as TAs at WPS but moved on to pursue their passions Saidu is the winner of Season 3 of BBC The Rap Game. Jamar is an aspiring actor who recently won a scholarship at a prestigious drama school in London. Both spoke about their journey to where they are currently and the importance of change and making the right choices for the sake of your future. They inspired the children particularly the Year 6s who are about to transition to secondary school. They also had a great time playing with the children at lunch time!

We took part in Health and Fitness Week this week. Children were tasked with completing daily challenges testing their agility, coordination and balance.

If you are keen to actively support the school, we are still looking for new parents who would like to be members on the LAB (Local Adviser Board). We meet once a term at 2pm, where we discuss the teaching and learning of the school. Subject leaders present to the panel, and we also discuss areas for development. We are keen to have a board of parents with a variety of skill sets, alongside community board members. If you know of someone who is not a parent but interested in the role of community LAB member, please ask them to contact the school office. For anyone interested in either roles on the LAB please email admin@whitehallparkschool.org.uk.

Have a lovely weekend!

Ms Hatch
Headteacher



Summer Fair

We need your Summer Fair donations! The PTCA are in urgent need of donations and volunteers for our Summer Fair next Saturday 9th July. Without your help these events wouldn't be possible, so please do consider sparing some time to volunteer and help make the fair a resounding success for everyone. If you can spare just one hour to help out on a stall it will make all the difference! We're also still looking for donations, particularly:

- Savoury cooked foods like mini quiches, pizza, sausage or veggie rolls and items like cheese straws
- Cakes and sweet baked goods
- Tombola prizes
- Second hand books

Food can be dropped off at the school office either the day before the fair or on the morning of the fair itself. Any books or tombola prizes can be left at the school office any time. We're really looking forward to a fantastic Summer Fair with all your help. Thank you so much in advance!

The Writing Box

Calling all Year 3 and 4's - we have a few spaces left in our Year 3 & 4 Summer workshop!

Monday 25th, Tuesday 26th and Wednesday 27th July / 9.00 - 13.00 / £180.00

Why not use this Summer Holiday to inspire and energise your child, alongside other Little Stars who are building confidence and creativity in the realm of English with our workshops at Whitehall Park - see information below or visit our website/instagram to learn more.

Miss Pickford and TWB team

Summer Literacy Workshops

Whitehall Park School, Islington

- ★ Short burst writing
- ★ Text immersion
- ★ Writing Stamina
- ★ Grammar and spelling
- ★ Reading skills
- ★ 11+ Exam preparation

Limited spaces available!

Book early to avoid disappointment



School Photographs - Pret-a-Portrait



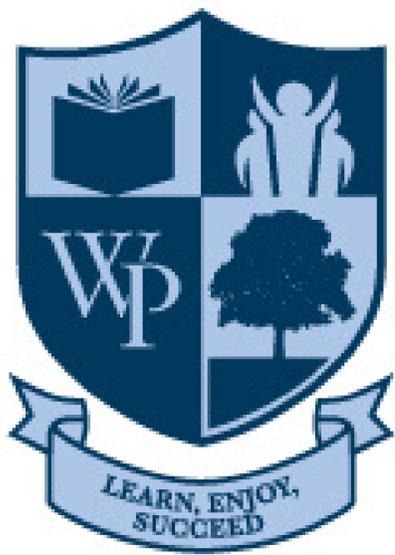
Following Pret-a-Portrait's recent visit to take school photographs, a viewing card explaining how you can view and order pictures, will be sent home with pupils today.

Please ask your children to give it to you as soon as possible so you have a chance to order any pictures you would like at a discounted price before the Early Bird Deadline 20/07/2022

If for any reason your viewing doesn't make it to you in the next few days, please contact Pret-a-Portrait directly on 0800 021 7626 or customerservice@pret-a-portrait.net

Coming Up...

- Monday 4th July - Reception Vision and Hearing Screening
- Monday 4th July - Scopay Webinar for parents @4pm
- Tuesday 5th July - Flouride varnishing for Reception, Year 1 and 2
- Tuesday 5th July - Year 3 Trip to Waterlow Park
- Wednesday 6th July - Year 4 Myrtle Together in Music Workshop
- Wednesday 6th July - Scopay Webinar for parents @11am
- Thursday 7th July - Year 5 trip to Bounds Green
- Friday 8th July - Whole School Transition Morning
- Friday 8th July - Year 6 Swimming Lessons
- Friday 8th July - No after school clubs. All children must be picked up at 3:30pm



Community Notice Board

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Understanding your child

For parents-to-be, parents and carers of children aged 0-19

Course is professionally translated to Somali, Urdu, Modern standard Arabic and Polish. Also available in 108 languages via Google Translate (NB: Internet Explorer does not support the Google Translate widget).

Sign up now and access seven additional FREE courses, to help build your confidence as your child grows up from toddler to teenager.

For more information, including your access code visit www.islington.gov.uk/parentingprogrammes



'Kyiv in my Heart'

Parents from Whitehall park musicians Geeta (Belle Scar) and Marc (Marc O) are raising funds for Save the Children to help the victims of the war in Ukraine with a song Geeta wrote called 'Kyiv in My Heart'. They recorded 15 singers to sing choir parts at their recording studio Plastic Sound Studios with Marc producing and mixing the song. The mastering was done at the legendary Abbey Road Studios. The video features the work of 17 Ukrainian artists.

Link to listen and donate <https://youtu.be/vcIsTvDer0E>



London's biggest community arts festival

Fri/Sat/Sun July 8/9/10

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Hornsey Lane Estate Community Association

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Hornsey Lane Estate Community Centre

Hazellville Road London N19 3YJ

Summer -Holiday Play Scheme

Monday 25th July to Friday 26th August 2021

Open 8.30am to 5.30pm

Ages 3 to 11 years

Cost £20.00 for Islington Residents £25.00 Non-Islington Residents

free lunch provided for all children

Activities include arts/crafts, games, trips, gardening, cooking, outdoor activities and much more

Please book early to save disappointment

Contact Irene on 07377000510 or email Irene@hleca.org.uk

This year we have loads of events all across N8 and most events are FREE!

Music of all kinds, drama, dance, art, poetry, comedy, live street art, sport, kids entertainers, clowns, talks, stalls, food, drink, open air cinema, cookery, school shows, a psychedelic light show and more...

Weston Park Street Market

Over 25 food and craft stalls and jazz stage
Plus comedy in the Clock Tower

Hornsey Library

3 days of Cultural Events: art, drama, comedy, music, poetry, spoken word, talks, and live street art!

Stationers Park & Hornsey Vale Community Centre
One day Family Festival
FREE open-air film



St Mary's Tower

Hornsey Village
2 day Music Festival
Tower open day
Live music
Psychedelic light show
Community picnic
JimmyC's Blues Jam

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Check out Facebook: Crouch End Festival, Crouch End Creatives, Hornsey Village Life and all major local groups



We have had super busy in Reception this week! We have been showing how responsible and caring we are when we had some children (who will be starting at Whitehall Park in September) and their parents visit us in the woodland area. We showed them how to stay safe in the woodland area, created natural instruments and invited them into our play.



During our learning in free-flow, a big groups of us have been busy creating a Lego city with Miss Shiels! We had to work together to design, build and adjust different sections of our city. This activity used a lot of creative thinking, problem solving and maths. We then created signs using our phonic knowledge so that others could see what we had made.



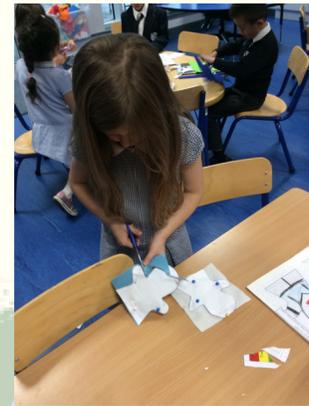
Year 1

This week in Year 1 we have started a new book, The Proudest Blue by Ibtihaj Muhammad. The children began looking at this book by exploring what one of our school values 'aspiration' means and why they thought the author was aspirational.



In Computing we practised inputting algorithms to program a beebot. We used an alphabet mat and took turns directing the beebot from letter to letter.

This week we began cutting the felt for our puppets which we are making. We cut out paper templates and pinned these carefully to our fabric then we cut around the template. Next week we will begin sewing!



Last week, children worked so hard learning all about The Windrush generation. Children showed such maturity discussing the important part in history and we were super impressed. We used Floella Benjamin's story to guide our week and children created some great map work and poetry. Children used Google Maps to explore the Windrush route and we virtually travelled across the Atlantic ocean! We listened to interviews and discussed the different feelings the Windrush generation have experienced.



Year 2

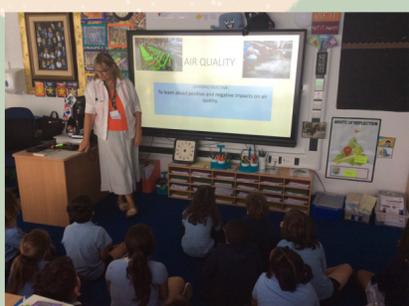
Children recreated multimedia Caribbean flags during Art and really enjoyed looking at atlases. We had a geography themed Fantastic Friday as we invited you into our classrooms. We hope you enjoyed looking at atlases, peg board flags, creating maps and finding countries in our wordsearches!



In Maths children began looking at capacity and had fun exploring this with different containers (thank you for bringing them in!) Children were able to practically understand how much a litre is and how it can look different depending on the different dimensions of a container.

Year 3

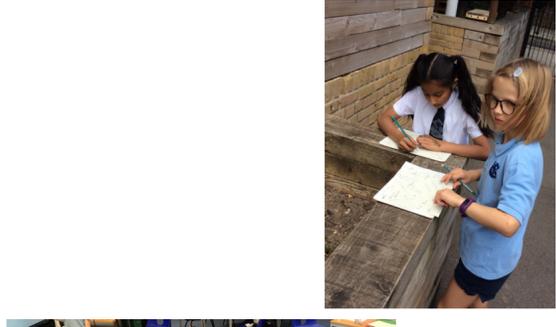
We enjoyed a workshop which focused on looking what has a negative and positive impact on the air quality around school. We also mapped a 'Air Quality Naturehood trail' using google maps.



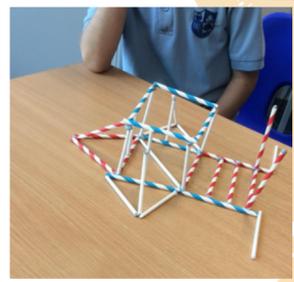
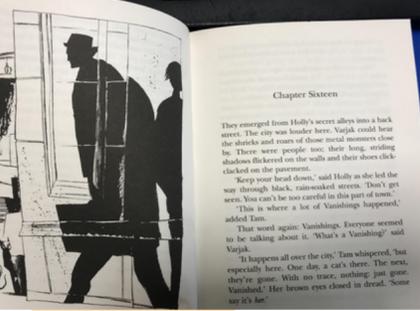
Key Stage 2 have been working hard on a tiled mural inspired by Shane D'Allessandro, 'Contributions – An Ode to Windrush'. This will eventually be installed in school a permanent piece of art.

To find out more about our inspiration, visit this website - <https://www.liverpoolmuseums.org.uk/stories/contributions-ode-windrush>

Year 4



Interviewing each other about 'The Vanishings' in Varjak Paw!



Creating different shape frame structures in DT for our project on Pavilions!



Year 5

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Year 5 had a jam-packed Friday. We spent the day at Chessington and came back to school for a sleepover complete with toasting marshmallows on the fire, singing campfire songs and having a water fight!



Year 6

Since Monday, the children have been consumed by setting up their own mini-businesses. We have gone from the initial stages of gathering and developing ideas, to conducting market research to see if the market would be receptive to them. The children conducted surveys going around each class, and investigating how information technology (google forms) could help us gather a richer data set.



Next has come the 'big pitch'. Working as teams, the children have created presentations to help them bid for funding for their projects. They have collaborated using google classroom to model their budgets and costs in spreadsheets and then use this to create persuasive infographics. Our tycoons of industry will come to a 'Dragons' Den' style presentation, where they will either get the funding approval or have to go back to the drawing board.

Over the last couple of weeks, year six has been learning about the circulatory system and how diet and exercise affect health. We wrote a non-chronological report about the different parts of the circulatory system including the heart and blood vessels. We planned an experiment to see which exercises raised our heart rate the highest. Most pupils predicted that burpees, being an exercise that uses more muscle groups, would raise the heart rate highest as more muscles would be using up oxygen and nutrients faster.

