



West Thurrock Academy

Newsletter No 34 - 28th June 2024

The next school holiday is -

Summer Holiday

Friday 19th July 24 - Monday 9th September 24

Future Holiday dates -

Last Day of Summer Term - Friday 19th July 2024 - 2pm Finish

2024 - 2025 Holidays

Monday 28th October 2024 - Friday 1st November 2024

Wednesday 18th December 2024 - Wednesday 7th January 2025

Future term dates -

First Day of the 2024 - 2025 Academic Year

Tuesday 10th September 2024

Dates for your Diary -

Monday 1st July 2024 - Friday 5th July 2024 - Transition Week

Monday 1st July 2024 - Infant Music Festival

Tuesday 2nd July 2024 - Royal Opera House Trip (Year 5)

Tuesday 2nd July 2024 - Fire Station Visit (Year 4 Group A)

Tuesday 4th July 2024 - American Day (Nursery Passport Activity)

Tuesday 4th July 2024 - Fire Station Visit (Year 4 Group B)

Monday 8th July 2024 - Pro Strike (Whole School Charity Event)

Week beginning Monday 8th July 2024 - Bikeability (Year 6)

Tuesday 9th July 2024 - Junior Music Festival

Tuesday 9th July 2024 - Cooking for Parents @5pm (Year 4)

Wednesday 10th July 2024 - Cooking for Parents @5pm (Year 4)

Wednesday 10th July 2024 - Grays Beach Trip (Year 2)

Thursday 11th July 2024 - Southend Trip and Sleepover (Year 6)

Friday 12th July 2024 - Year 6 Charity Day

This week's attendance levels -

Lynx - 96.3%

Leopard - 93.3%

Panther - 88.4%

Lion - 87.9%

Bobcat - 92.5%

Marozi - 100% Key Stage 1 Winner

Bengal - 98.9% Key Stage 2 Winner

Cougar - 97.9%

Liger - 96.1%

Ocelot - 91.7%

Jaguar - 90.1%

Puma - 92.6%

Tigon - 95.8%

LUNCH MENU – WEEK BEGINNING 1ST JULY 2024

Monday	Pork Sausage with Mash Potato, Mixed Vegetables and Gravy	Quorn Sausage with Mash Potato, Mixed Vegetables and Gravy	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Filling	Fruit Smoothie
Tuesday	BBQ Chicken with Rice, Peas and Broccoli	Meat Free Enchilada with Rice, Peas and Broccoli	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Filling	Jam Sponge
Wednesday	Beef Bolognese with Pasta and Carrots	Bolognese with Pasta and Carrots	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Filling	Fruit Jelly
Thursday	Ham and Pineapple Pizza with Potato Cubes and Sweetcorn	Cheese & Tomato Pizza with Potato Cubes and Sweetcorn	Ham Baguette, Tuna Baguette or Cheese Baguette with Potato Cubes	Fruity Iced Sponge
Friday	Fish Fingers with Chips and Peas	Vegetable Fingers with Chips and Peas	Ham Baguette, Tuna Baguette or Cheese Baguette with Chips	Fruit Yoghurt

Boosters and Clubs

Next week will be the final week for clubs and boosters. New boosters and clubs will begin during the Autumn Term.

Borough Olympics

A large group of children from Year 3 - 6 took part in the Borough Olympics today. The children represented the school fantastically well. After adding up all of our points, the school finished 4th in the field events and 2nd in the track events. The school finished 3rd overall - bringing home our first trophy of the year at the very final event! This just shows all of our children that perseverance, determination and hard work will eventually lead to success! We have some changes planned for our approach to competitions next year and look forward to hopefully more success in the sporting events. I would like to thank all of the children and staff who have trained so hard for this event. Well done!

Pro Strike Event

On Monday 8th July the children will be taking part in a sponsored 'Speed Challenge' which is run by a company called Pro Strike. There is no fee for participation and every child in the school will take part. The Speed Challenge involves a giant inflatable football goal with integrated speed camera system. When a pupil (or teacher) takes a shot at goal the speed is displayed on a digital screen for all to see. Every child in the school will receive a personalised certificate showing their top speed on the day of the event.

Like many fundraising events, funds are raised via pupil sponsorship; children will ask friends and family members to sponsor them to take part in the speed challenge. The school are not the only ones who benefit from this event - the pupils have the opportunity to win prizes for their fundraising efforts. The more each child can raise, the more prizes they will win. The prizes include: drinks bottles, gym bags, stationary, medals, trophies and footballs! The school will receive 50% of all the money raised and all costs associated with running the event are deducted from the remaining 50%.

Year 6 Local Charity Day

Each year, the children in Year 6 are challenged to organise and run a charity day in aid of local charities. The children are in the process of choosing the charities they will be raising money for. Last year, with the amazing support of our families, Year 6 were able to raise just over £3,000 in total for three fantastic local charities. This year, the Year 6 children are going to organise a 'Break the Rules Day' where the children will be invited to pay to break traditional school rules. Further information about the chosen charities and the day will be sent out to families very soon. This event will take place on Friday 12th July 2024.

Path to Paris

To celebrate the Paris 2024 Olympic and Paralympic games, West Thurrock Academy has joined Get Set in challenging children to virtually travel to Paris by getting active.

The children are doing amazingly well. Year 5 have collectively already reached Paris and heading back around the world again! We continue to encourage all children, teachers and parents to log their physical activity on the Get Set website. All active minutes will translate into virtual kilometres, powering their team around the world.

To log activity:

Link: [Get Set | Path to Paris - Log Activity](#)

Team Pin: 3146

Team name: Year (your child's year group)

Postcode: RM20 3HR

There are many resources available online to help support our race to Paris.

[Get Set | Get Set Path To Paris](#)