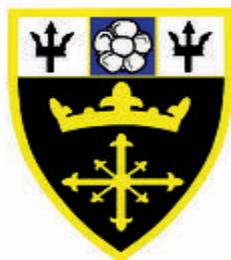


# WESTGARTH WEEKLY



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**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2021**

Dear Families,

## **Packed Lunches**

Our school is a "nut free" environment due to having children/adults with nut allergies in school. Please do not send any nut products in packed lunches, or any kind of sweet/chocolate bar. A reminder that grapes need to be cut in half lengthways to prevent them being a choking hazard.



## **Missing Clothing**

Please ensure that school uniform, PE items and outdoor clothing (coats, scarves, hats) are labelled so that we can quickly locate the owner of any missing items.

## **School Council**

Westgarth's School Council will be up and running again this year, supported by Mrs Beacham. Children from Years 2-6 will have the opportunity to apply to take on the role and present to their year group next week. Foundation Stage and Year 1 will be involved through the other year groups feeding back ideas to them after each meeting. Elections will be held next Friday 15th October. The roles and responsibilities of the Council have been explained to the children and application forms given out to those interested. Please support your child in filling these out or creating a short (2 minute) presentation to share. We have heard lots of interesting ideas already and we can't wait to get started!



## **Structured Conversations**

Thank you for confirming your preferred method of attending upcoming structured conversations. This week (hopefully at 6.00pm on Wednesday) you will receive an email informing you that a booking form is open for you to select a suitable 10 minute appointment slot. Please note that teachers will have to maintain strict time management to avoid unnecessary delays for busy families, and to comply with our COVID risk assessment for allowing time limited face to face appointments. Please do not, therefore, be offended if your child's class teacher has to end the appointment after 10 minutes.

For telephone appointments, the number used to contact you will either be the school number or a withheld number.

For Zoom appointments, you will receive a Zoom invitation.

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For face to face appointments, please go to your child's external classroom door at your allotted time and the class teacher will let you in from there. Face coverings for both staff and parents/carers are optional.

Children in years 1 to 6 will receive a short follow up report reflecting the discussions in the structured conversation, some time after the half term break.



## Film Night

The PFA, supported by school staff, has kindly offered to organise a Film (and Pizza) Night after school on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October. Due to our COVID risk assessment, we will need to reduce the numbers of children gathered together for this lengthier period of time, so we will be running Film Night in both halls - Y2 and Y3 in KS1 Hall; and Y4, Y5 and Y6 in KS2 Hall. We do not feel that this event would be suitable for Reception or Y1 children, considering their age and inexperience of larger scale gatherings - we feel that assemblies and the lunch hall are quite enough for now! More details to follow.

## KS1 Outdoor Area

We are delighted with the KS1 outdoor area, which will give so many exciting opportunities for the children to take their learning outdoors across the curriculum. There are still some extras to add in to the design in coming weeks. Thank you for your co-operation in bringing children in to school through the KS1 back entrance. We will let you know if and when we plan to revert to KS1 children entering school by the classroom doors again.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs J Woodhead  
Headteacher