

WEST ACTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Friday 23rd January 2026



Well done to **Juniper** and **Sycamore** classes for their lovely assemblies this week. They truly showcased their creativity, digital skills, and singing, while also demonstrating our school values of **courage, consideration, and collaboration**. We are very proud of them.

We have now sent out the **trip payment plans for the year**, and thank you to the many parents and carers who have already begun making payments. Your support is very much appreciated. We are aware that, each year, a number of trips remain unpaid for, and it is really important that all families try to contribute as much as possible over the next six months so that our exciting programme of trips and experiences can go ahead for the children.

I would also like to draw your attention to our **Parent Coffee Morning**, taking place **next Thursday** (please see details below). We hope many of you will be able to join us. In addition, we are very much looking forward to our annual **Number Day**, where parents and carers are invited into school to take part in maths lessons alongside the children – always a highlight of the year.

Finally, I would like to remind families of the importance of pupils being **in school, settled, and ready for learning at 8:45 a.m.**, when lessons begin immediately. Please refer to our detailed letter regarding punctuality. If punctuality is a challenge for your family and you would like support, please do get in touch – we are always happy to help.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. Have a wonderful weekend. Miss Kondo

1月 29 日木曜日午前 9 時から
の保護者向けコーヒー モーニングにご招待いたします。

Parent/carer Coffee Morning

لأولياء صباحي لقاء لحضور دعمكم
29 الخميس يوم الجمعة الأمور/مقدسي
صباحاً 9:00 الساعة ينابير.

Waxaa lagugu martiqaadaya
subaxa kafeega
waalidka/daryeelaha maalinta
Khamiista 29ka Janaayo 9.00
subaxnimo.

Supporting our Wellbeing and the
Wellbeing of our children

You are invited to come and meet
with Emma

9.00am - 10.00am

Thursday 29th January 2026

Come to the School gates for 9.00am and walk to the building on the left and up the stairs
to the conference room.

Estás invitado a la mañana
de café para padres y tutores
el jueves 29 de enero a las
9:00 a. m.

Serdecznie zapraszamy na
poranną kawę dla
rodziców/opiekunów, która
odbędzie się w czwartek 29
stycznia o godzinie 9.00.

Discuss healthy
eating and the types
of food children
should be eating to
enable a balanced
diet.

Discussion around
establishing routines.

Discussion around
the importance of
communication and
speech and where
your child should be
at developmentally.

Overall School Readiness
Session at West Acton
Primary School on
Thursday 29th
January 2025 at
11:15am and 2:45pm

Discussion around
children being
independent and
being able to clean
and wipe themselves
and wash their
hands.

Discussion around
behaviour
management and
tackling unacceptable
behaviour.

Discuss fussy
eating and
what we can
do to support.

Discussion around
toilet training and
how to get children
toilet trained.

NHS
Central London
Community Healthcare
NHS Trust



Your healthcare closer to home

Spring 2026

Parent Course	Who?	Date and time
SAL Colourful semantics and vocabulary	Kelly Ellis	29 January 2:30 p.m.
Supporting behaviour at home	J Lucas	5 th February 2:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m.
SEND and Mental Health	J Lucas	12 th February 2:30 p.m.
Parent drop-ins ARP and mainstream	Kelly Ellis Sarah Holdship SAL	24 th and 26 th February 3:15 -6 p.m.
Sensory needs	Sam Wade OT Therapist	10 th March 2:30 p.m.



Flu community catch up clinics

If your child has missed their flu vaccination at school, you can book an appointment for their vaccine at one of our local community clinics.

Winter season is upon us, and with colder weather keeping us indoors and in close contact, it's easier than ever for the flu to spread.

Protect yourself, your loved ones, and your community by getting your flu jab today. The flu vaccine is your best defense against severe illness, hospitalisation, and missed work or school. Let's work together to keep everyone healthy this winter.

Stay Well:

Avoid the misery of flu this winter.

Protect Others:

Especially children, the elderly, and those more vulnerable.

Stop the Spread:

Help prevent flu outbreaks in your community.



For our clinic locations and contact details for the Vaccination UK teams please scan the QR code or follow the links below:

<https://www.schoolvaccination.uk/contact>

<https://www.schoolvaccination.uk/catch-up-clinics>



Vaccination UK
Immunisation Provider for
NHS

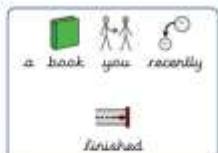
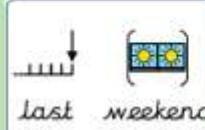
Thursday Oracy Challenge

Reception target: 10 seconds

Year 1 & 2 target: 10-20 seconds

Year 3 & 4 target: 20-30 seconds

Year 5 & 6 target: 30-60 seconds



Two pupils present to their class each week.

PAYMENTS

Communication – notices/letters and emails



Just a reminder of how we keep you updated



<https://www.westactonprimaryschool.org/news-dates/newsletters>

FACEBOOK - <https://www.facebook.com/westactonpri>

X - <https://x.com/westactonpri>

West Acton Primary School - Home Reading Book Band Levels

National Curriculum 2014 - Expectations per year group	Book band colour of home reading book	Notes
Pre-reading/ Nursery Up to 4 years old	Lilac	Pre-reading standard
	Pink	
Reception 4-5 years old	Lilac	The curriculum expectation is that pupils at a secure standard by the end of Reception should be on: Yellow .
	Pink	
	Red	
	Yellow	
Year 1 5-6 year olds	Light blue	The curriculum expectation is that pupils at a secure standard by the end of Year 1 should be on: Orange/Turquoise .
	Green	
	Orange	
	Turquoise	
Year 2 6-7 year olds	Turquoise	The curriculum expectation is that pupils at a secure standard by the end of Year 2 should be on: White/Lime .
	Purple	
	Gold	
	White	NOTE: Children reading at Gold level should be capable of achieving National Standard in the end of Key Stage 1 SATs tests in England.
Year 3 7-8 year old	Lime	
	Brown	The curriculum expectation is that pupils at a secure standard by the end of Year 3 should be on: Brown/Grey . Greater Depth readers can move onto Dark Blue .
Year 4 8-9 year olds	Grey	
	Dark blue	The curriculum expectation is that pupils at a secure standard by the end of Year 4 should be on: Dark Blue . Greater depth readers can move onto Dark Red .
Year 5 9-10 year olds	Dark blue	
	Dark red	The curriculum expectation is that pupils at a secure standard by the end of Year 5 should be on: Dark Red, Oxford Level 17 . Greater depth readers should move onto Dark Red Level, Oxford Level 18 .
Year 6 10-11 year olds		The curriculum expectation is that pupils at a secure standard by the end of Year 6 should be on: Dark Red, Oxford level 19 . Greater depth readers should move onto Dark Red level, Oxford level 20 , which is also known as: Black Level . NOTE: Children reading at Oxford Level 17 should be capable of achieving National Standard in the end of Key Stage 2 SATs tests in England.
11+ year olds	Black	

Our School Vision



West Acton Primary School, a welcoming community, growing and learning together

At West Acton Primary School, we are a dynamic and inclusive community of lifelong learners. We nurture every child to reach their full potential through an engaging, forward-thinking curriculum and a culture that builds courage, consideration and collaboration. As an aspirational community, our staff, pupils and families grow together—developing digital and emotional intelligence, a strong sense of wellbeing and environmental awareness—ready to make a positive impact on their communities and the wider world.

Please can I remind you to wait until your child is off of the school site before you start giving them food and snacks. As you know we are a healthy school with a sugar smart status.

Please do NOT give your child snacks on site at 3.15pm - especially bags of crisps, cakes, ice lollies and ice cream.

Thank you for your continued help making our school neat and clean.



We are a SUGAR SMART SCHOOL

Only give water for your child's drink
KS2 - bring a healthy snack- fruit or raisins for break time

Do not give your child food to eat when collecting at home time - please wait till you have left the school
Healthy lunchboxes - sweet treat once a week
Healthy school dinners - 'puddings' once a week

SUGAR SMART



School starts at 8.45am

Drop off your child to line up between 8.30am and 8.45am.

Children must be ready to enter the classroom at 8.45am to start learning.



A tale of three white shirts...
Please ensure your child is wearing the correct white shirt.

Reception, Years 1 to 6 PE KIT
Plain white t shirt REQUIRED / NON BRANDED
Generic



Nursery and Reception REQUIRED / NON BRANDED
Generic
White polo shirt



Years 1- 6 REQUIRED / NON BRANDED Generic
White buttoned shirt (long or short sleeve)



White PE T Shirt
A plain white T Shirt or a house colour T shirt
Pupils from Reception to Year 6

White Polo Shirt (soft and three buttons)
All days for Nursery and Reception

White Shirt with buttons
All days for Years 1 to 6

We have a good supply of second hand uniform. Please speak to us if you have any issues with providing uniform.

PE DAYS - come to school in your house colour T shirt

Tuesday	Year 5
Wednesday	Year 1 and Year 3
Thursday	Reception and Year 4
Friday	Year 2 and Year 6

We were very lucky to have T- shirts donated for all our children in July. If your child has out grown their T-shirts please wash and return them so that we can recycle it and give it to another child. If we have another T-shirt we can offer your child one – if not please provide your child with a plain white T-shirt (or purchase another house colour T-shirt yourself).

We hope to replenish T-shirts every two years.

TIP FROM SCHOOL THERAPIST - Mrs Ahmad

Problem solving skills.....

Problem solving is a skill that children will need to learn and practice as they get older.

Children face all sorts of problems every day; arguments with siblings over a toy or game, problems with their peers or struggles with homework.

Many children react by crying, arguing, or even withdrawing completely. They may even turn to violence. Slowly they will realise that none of these responses are helpful and can make a situation worse.

How can parents/carers help?

As parents it's often tempting to try and solve it for them, to give the children the answer and tell our children what they should have done when they had a problem or a situation. Or we go to the other extreme and tell our children to sort the problem out themselves, especially when it comes to their siblings.

However, most children need to learn the steps of problem solving. They need to practice working things out, with your support.

'It looks like you are arguing with your brother, tell me what the problem is?....so you both want to play with the same toy....what might you need to say to your brother when you ask him?...What do you think your brother feels like when you take the toy away from him without asking?

Working with your child to encourage them to think about different possible ways they could act or respond to a problem and then help them to choose which of these responses might work out best, is more helpful to your child.

This will increase your child's self-confidence and help them to be more flexible and creative in their thinking. You will find, slowly, they will be more able to keep going when they find things hard. And they'll even learn better ways to manage their emotions.

I look forward to meeting with many of you at our Parent/carer Coffee Morning on Thursday 29th January 2026.



West Acton
Primary School

West Acton Primary school are proud to be a parkrun primary school.

A junior parkrun is **free, fun and friendly** weekly 2km event (run/walk) for children aged 4-14years old.

A banner for West Acton Primary School's junior parkrun. It features the "junior parkrun" logo at the top. Below it, the text "West Acton Primary School" is followed by a large, bold, red text "is proud to be a 2025-2026 parkrun primary!". Underneath this, in blue text, is "Promoting a healthier and happier planet for everyone." At the bottom, it says "Join in the fun every Sunday at Acton Park". The banner is decorated with colorful, abstract shapes in the corners and sides.

What is Acton junior parkrun?

A free, fun, and friendly weekly 2k event for juniors (4 to 14 year olds). Nearby Saturday parkrun events can be found [here](#).

<https://www.parkrun.org.uk/acton-juniors/>

When is it?

It is held every Sunday at 9:00am.

Where is it?

The event takes place at Acton Park, Uxbridge Road, London, W3 7LB. See [Course page](#) for more details.

What does it cost to join in?

Nothing - it's free! but please [register](#) before you first come along. Only ever register with parkrun once and don't forget to bring a **scannable** copy of your barcode ([request a reminder](#)). If you forget it, [you won't get a time](#).



How fast do I have to be?

The aim is to have fun. Please come along and join in whatever your pace!



Send us your pictures of you joining the Junior Parkrun to receive your certificate!

Take a selfie/picture of you and your family joining the run and send it to
admin@west-acton.ealing.sch.uk

We look forward to seeing them all ☺

WEEK 1 MENU

w/c 3rd November
w/c 24th November
w/c 15th December
w/c 5th January
w/c 26th January
w/c 9th March



MONDAY

Mighty Veggie Penne Bolognese with Homemade Garlic & Herb Bread	VEGAN
Quorn Meatballs in Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta	VEGAN
Sweetcorn & Soy Wilted Greens	VEGAN
Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	VEGAN

TUESDAY

Rainbow Chilli with Mexican Rice	VEGAN
Lamb Chilli Con Carne with Mexican Rice	VEGAN
Peas & Roasted Root Veg	VEGAN
Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	VEGAN

WEDNESDAY

Creamy Cheese Puff with Mash & Gravy	VEGAN
Shepherd's Pie with Gravy	VEGAN
Roast Parsnip & Carrots	VEGAN
Toffee Apple Crumble & Custard	VEGAN

THURSDAY

Chickpea & Butternut Rogan Josh with Rice	VEGAN
Caribbean Brown Chicken Stew with Rice	VEGAN
Sweetcorn & Paprika Spiced Broccoli	VEGAN
Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	VEGAN

FRIDAY

Delicious Dippers & Chips with Tomato Ketchup	VEGAN
Salmon or White Fish Fingers & Chips With Tomato Ketchup	VEGAN
Peas & Baked Beans	VEGAN
Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	VEGAN

WEEK 2 MENU

w/c 10th November
w/c 1st December
w/c 12th January
w/c 2nd February
w/c 23rd February
w/c 16th March



MONDAY

Vegetable & Lentil Bolognese Sauce with Penne Pasta	VEGAN
Mac & Cheese with Roasted Squash & Garlic Bread	VEGAN
Peas & Sweetcorn	VEGAN
Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	VEGAN

TUESDAY

Thai Red Vegetable Curry & Wholegrain Rice	VEGAN
Chicken & Sweetcorn Meatballs in Tomato Sauce with Wholegrain Rice	VEGAN
Broccoli & Roasted Mediterranean Veggies	VEGAN
Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	VEGAN

WEDNESDAY

Piri Piri Veggie Strips with Crispy Potatoes & Gravy	VEGAN
Roast Chicken with Crispy Potatoes & Gravy	VEGAN
Green Beans & Swede and Carrot Mash	VEGAN
Forest Fruit Baked Rice Pudding	VEGAN

THURSDAY

Vegetable Chow Mein Noodles	VEGAN
Singapore Chicken Noodles	VEGAN
Cauliflower & Winter Slaw	VEGAN
Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	VEGAN

FRIDAY

Cheese & Tomato Puff Square with Chips	VEGAN
Quorn Burger with BBQ Relish, Chips and Tomato Ketchup	VEGAN
Peas & Baked Beans	VEGAN
Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	VEGAN

WEEK 3 MENU

w/c 17th November
w/c 8th December
w/c 19th January
w/c 9th February
w/c 2nd March
w/c 23rd March



MONDAY

Paprika Roast Vegetables in a Tomato & Herb Sauce with Pasta	VEGAN
Chinese Rainbow Fried Rice	VEGAN
Sweetcorn & Red Cabbage Slaw	VEGAN
Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	VEGAN

TUESDAY

Plant Power Thai Curry with Pilau Rice	VEGAN
Chicken Curry with Pilau Rice	VEGAN
Broccoli & Peas	VEGAN
Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	VEGAN

WEDNESDAY

Cheese, Leek & Onion Pasty with Crispy Potatoes & Gravy	VEGAN
Chicken & Vegetable Puff Pastry Pie with Crispy Potatoes & Gravy	VEGAN
Carrots & Herby Green Beans	VEGAN

THURSDAY

Mighty Veggie Penne Bolognese with Garlic & Herb Bread	VEGAN
Lamb Penne Bolognese with Garlic & Herb Bread	VEGAN
Mediterranean Vegetables & Sweetcorn	VEGAN
Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	VEGAN

FRIDAY

Homemade Margherita Pizza with Herby Wedges	VEGAN
Quorn Sausage Hot Dog with Herby Wedges and Tomato Ketchup	VEGAN
Peas & Baked Beans	VEGAN
Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	VEGAN



West Acton Primary School Weekly Values Rewards

w/c 12 th January 2026	Courage	Consideration	Collaboration
Acorn	Ayat	Victoria	Julie
Banyan	Maymuna	Aly	Ahmad
Olive	Mariam	Zayn	Sana
Fir	Nonoka	Lise	Kaylan
Ash	Martin	Kotaro	Rahaf
Guava	Laith	Lojen	Kaito
Katsura	Eli	Ema	Adam
Chestnut	Muhammad	Meana	Miori
Damson	Jayden	Eunis	Hussain
Juniper	Yunus	Lara	Zakaria
Holly	Mohammad	Ward	Sul
Ivy	Moussa	Albert	Adam
Rowan	Baraa	Tala	Salma
Mulberry	Esra	Titan	Omar
Pine	Isabela	Jamal	Ayaha
Sycamore	Ellis	Kosei	Prabhjot
Elder	Emilie	Oswald	Sara
Quince	Takeru	Boris	Maryam
Willow	Aubay	Romaisae	Mousa
Lime	Sham	Hameed	Mariam
Tamarind	Firoze	Anaya	Yuka
Zaytouna	Misha	Lena	Emaan
Birch	Hakeem	Adam	Zida
Oak	Abdul	Reggie	Azai
Elm	Christopher	Elay	Ziad

Weekly attendance: WE 16 th January 2026		
Acorn 89.54%	Whole School 94.05%	Woodlands 90.69% ELM 100% 
Olive 87.14%	Banyan 97.33%	Fir 98.67% 
Ash 97.59%	Guava 95%	Katsura 95.67%
Damson 95.59%	Chestnut 99.31%	Juniper 91.55%
Holly 93.10%	Rowan 89.80%	Ivy 98.94%
Mulberry 91.85%	Pine 93.79%	Sycamore 91.03%
Willow 89.46%	Elder 96.55%	Quince 93.54%
Lime 94.14%	Tamarind 97.24% 	Zaytouna 88.93%



Community
Sports
Trust

Gunnersbury Park Sports Hub

Gymnastics & Cheer Camp

18

19

20

FEB

9.30 - 15.30

5 - 15 yrs
(All abilities welcome!)



Scan Here to Sign Up!

Book Now



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Head Teacher: Miss K Kondo

23rd January 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

Re: Punctuality – learning starts at 8.45am

Getting your child to school on time really matters		
If in a school year your child is late everyday	Your child would have lost approximately	Or they would have missed approximately
5 Minutes	3 days from school	16 lessons lost
10 Minutes	5 days from school	32 lessons lost
15 Minutes	8 days from school	48 lessons lost
20 Minutes	11 days from school	63 lessons lost
30 Minutes	16 days from school	95 lessons lost

I am writing to remind you of the importance of punctuality and to clarify the arrangements for the start of the school day.

Teaching, learning, and morning routines begin promptly at 8:40 a.m., which is why the school gates open at 8:30 a.m. Pupils may arrive and line up between 8:30 a.m. and 8:44 a.m., ready to enter the classroom straight away at 8:45 a.m.

If a pupil arrives at the gate at 8:44 a.m., they will just about get to class on time.

If they arrive at 8:45 a.m. or after – they are late. This means that they must enter through the front of the school. This involves lining up and being signed in on the computer system, which inevitably means they miss the start of learning. This has a knock-on effect on their morning lessons and in many cases, the rest of the day and sadly it can affect their learning and well being.

The simplest way to avoid this is to aim to arrive 5–10 minutes earlier. I am very aware that there can be challenges such as poor weather conditions and roadworks, particularly at this time of year. However, as these factors are ongoing, we ask that families plan ahead so that pupils are waiting to enter their classroom between 8:30 a.m. and 8:44 a.m., ready to begin learning calmly and in an orderly way at 8:45 a.m.





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Repeated lateness also has a wider impact on the school. When pupils arrive late, members of the leadership, office and administrative teams are required to escort them to their classrooms. This disrupts the smooth running of the school and takes staff away from their roles in supporting learning and overseeing the school effectively.

We are proud of the strong, positive relationships we have with our families, and we understand that attendance and punctuality can sometimes be challenging. If punctuality is an ongoing concern for your family and you would like support, please do not hesitate to get in touch with us. We are always happy to work with you to find ways to help and will be contacting families who are repeatedly late.

Thank you for your continued support in ensuring that pupils start their school day on time and ready to learn.

Yours faithfully

Miss Kondo
Headteacher



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Dear Parents/Carers,

The NSPCC is holding its yearly Number Day on Friday 6th February - a maths inspired fundraising day. To celebrate, we are inviting parents in Years 1 - 6 to visit and take part in a maths session with your child. This is a wonderful opportunity to observe the calculation methods and maths skills your child is learning at school. Please see the dates and times below and note there will be a sign-up sheet for Year 1 only.

Date	Year Group	Time	Location
Monday 2 nd Feb	Year 6	9:30 – 10:00am	Elizabeth Jubilee Hall
Monday 2 nd Feb	Elm, Birch, Oak	2:40 – 3:10pm	ARP classrooms
Tuesday 3 rd Feb	Year 5	9:00 – 9:30am	Elizabeth Jubilee Hall
Wednesday 4 th Feb	Year 3	9:00 – 9:30am	Elizabeth Jubilee Hall
Thursday 5 th Feb	Year 4	9:00 – 9:30am	Elizabeth Jubilee Hall
Friday 6 th Feb	Year 2	2:30- 3:00pm	Elizabeth Jubilee Hall
Mon 2 nd / Tues 3 rd / Thurs 5 th Feb	Year 1	8:50 – 9:20am	Year 1 Classrooms

There will be a sign-up sheet on the Year 1 classroom door and please pick **one** session only to attend.

On **Friday 6th February**, we invite children to wear number themed clothes - whether they dress up as a calculator, wear a football shirt with a number on the back – or even decorate an old t-shirt with lots of different calculations!

We encourage donations with funds raised from Number Day going to help support vital NSPCC services.

Number Day 2026



Yours faithfully,

Vanessa Lee
Maths Leader EYFS and KS1

Katrina Collins
Maths Leader KS2