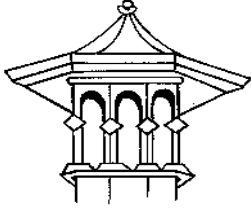


Walkern Primary School



Newsletter

The Governors have worked alongside the subject leaders and Senior Leadership Team to continue to drive improvement. Governors have fully engaged with monitoring the progress of the school to address the development points from the Ofsted 2017. This sharp focus from the leadership and management of the school has led to school improvement. (See the data below.) The progress by the end of Year 6 is still an area of concern. However internal data for Year 3 and 4 shows there is good progress and in future the KS2 data will be much better.

Just a reminder that in September Miss Liddle is in Early Years and Miss Chicken has been appointed to Year 1.

Science and Art week saw a range of activities from exploding volcanoes to butterfly making. Sports Day was a great success with the blue team winning by a very narrow margin. Thank you for the support of all the parents, grandparents and carers who cheered on the teams. Well done Mr Anderson.

Another Rock Steady assembly at the end of term showcased how much children enjoy performing music and how much everyone is entertained by the band performances. Thanks again to Matt the music teacher.

The KS2 Production of "Romeo and Juliet" was a delight, with a modern twist, set in Walkern and Stevenage. Thank you to all the actors and staff for putting on an entertaining production.

Mrs Galer has been running lunch time clubs this term. The children have enjoyed slime, Lego and Pokémon activities. Next term we will add an art and craft and a singing club. Mrs Galer has secured a £250 donation from Ken and Barbara Follet for the September fund Autumn term activities.

The sponsored run on 27th June raised £1157 for Bloodwise. One child completed 36 laps of the field. A big thank you to Mrs Doneo for organising the fundraiser.

A wonderful time was had by all at The Walkern Summer Fayre. A number of stalls were run by teachers, PTA and classes and whilst the exact total raised is still being calculated, it appears that we have raised well over £600 that will go towards school books.

Thank you to the tireless work the PTA has done all year, we appreciate all the trips and resources they have supported financially. Without their endeavours many of the enrichment activities wouldn't be possible.

We wish the Year 6s all the best at secondary school. Good bye to the Year 4 leavers and feel free to pop in next year to tell us how you are getting on at your new schools. All the best To Miss Gillum as she moves on with her career.

Assessment Summer 2019

EYFS

82% achieved a Good Level of Development in 2019.

Year 1 Phonics 82%

KS1 SATS

Reading 80% Age Related 32% Exceeding

Writing 80% Age Related 28% Exceeding

Maths 80% Age Related 32% Exceeding

KS2 SATS

English grammar, punctuation and spelling 56% achieved Age Related

Reading 33% achieved Age Related with 22% exceeding

Writing 56% achieved Age Related with 22% exceeding

Maths 78% achieved Age Related with 22% exceeding

Have a great summer and enjoy the lovely weather!

2019 / 2020

Monday 2nd September - Inset Day - school closed

Tuesday 3rd September 2019 - Back to school

Monday 28th October - Friday 1st November - Half Term - School closed

Friday 8th November - Bag 2 School collection

Wednesday 4th December - Panto @ 1.15 p.m

Friday 6th December - Occasional Day

Wednesday 18th December - Children's Christmas Dinner

Friday 20th December - End of term - School finishes at 1.05 p.m - No after school club

2020

Monday 6th January 2020 - Inset Day - School closed

Tuesday 7th January - Back to school

Monday 17th - Friday 21st February - Half Term - School closed

Monday 6th - Friday 17th April - Easter Holidays - School closed

Monday 20th April - Inset Day - School closed

Tuesday 21st April - Back to School

Monday 25th - Friday 29th May - Half Term - school closed

Friday 17th July - School finishes at 1.05 - No after school club

Thursday 3rd September 2020 - Back to school