



# WESTGATE PRIMARY SCHOOL

"United in Life-Long Learning"

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## End of Spring Term Letter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Another very busy term draws to a close and much has happened since the start of 2024.

### Staff Update

Earlier in the term, Mrs Rigby, Chair of Governors, wrote informing you of Mr Wright's departure. Mr Wright will officially leave his position of Head Teacher of Westgate on March 31st. I am sure you are with us when we thank him for the time and care he has given to the pupils at Westgate and wish him all the best for his future. The Governors are currently in the process of recruiting a new Head Teacher and we will write to you as soon as we have any updates on this.



Sadly, there are some other members of the Westgate family who are leaving us. Mrs Charlton, Year 2 Teacher, will be leaving just after Easter. She has been a teacher at Westgate since September 2021 and has chosen to pursue a career outside of teaching. Miss Parish who has been a teaching Assistant since March 2019 will also be leaving at the end of term. We all wish them every success in their pursuits. Meanwhile I am pleased to inform you that Mrs Huddleston, Teaching Assistant, will be returning to us full time after Easter. In addition, Mrs Dignam will be a new face joining our support staff team.

### Bingo Night



The Friends of Westgate organised yet another stunning bingo night attended in full by families and former pupils of the school. We thank you again for supporting these events.

On this occasion, we raised £1631 to offer that additional tier of enjoyable resources and activities for your children that the budget alone would not be able to afford. Your generosity never ceases to amaze us even in these challenging times.

A plea that if you can give a little bit of time to support these events, please see Vanessa Rigby or Claire Schuyler who are incredible at pulling events like these together. They would very much appreciate some further support, nothing too onerous, when setting up or finalising things. If you are able to help in anyway, please get in touch with them.

## Easter Raffle

Today we had another great morning of our Easter Raffle. It was great to use Zoom to see all the classes. Thank you again for your support in raising money that will go back to the children of Westgate.



## School Uniform



We have noticed that some children are coming to school without the proper uniform. It may well be because they have outgrown their current one and that people are waiting for the Easter break, which I can understand.

Please can you ensure your child arrives at school in the right uniform (see the website if you are unsure of the details). This also includes footwear. Trainers should only be worn on your child's PE day. Your support with this would be very much appreciated.

## Run a Mile

Congratulations to the Run a Mile winners for this term. They have been recognised by the class staff for their efforts in Run a Mile. The winners are:

Reception – Louis McClure

Year 1- Ollie Thomas

Year 2- Lola Stone

Year 3 – Holly Clark

Year 4 – Hugo Beck

Year 5 – Kacper Matura

Year 6 – Charlie Rainford



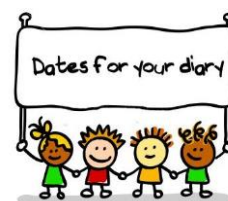
## Summer Menus

Next term, the school dinner menus will change to the Summer options. The menus are on the school website if you wish to look at the choices.

Unfortunately, due to the price rises, the cost of a school lunch will be rising from £2.50 to £2.70 in the new term. This is regrettable but essential to cover costs.

## Next Term

We have a busy half term ahead after Easter. This includes a Bank Holiday on Monday 6th May. We also have the staff INSET on Thursday 9th May when the school will be a polling station for the local elections.



Parent Consultations will also take place on **Monday 29th April** and **Wednesday 1st May** 3.30 – 6pm. However, **Mrs Charlton's class** will be on **Tuesday 23rd April** 3.30 – 6pm and **Thursday 25th April** 3.30 – 5pm and **Ms Rogers' class** will be on **Tuesday 23rd April** 3.30-6pm and **Wednesday 24th April** 3.30-5pm. Appointments can be made on Scopay after the Easter holidays.

## AND FINALLY...

On behalf of the staff and governors, I thank you again for all your support in helping us to do our very best for our children. I hope you have a great Easter Break and we look forward to seeing you again on Monday 15th April

Yours sincerely,  
Mrs Henderson - Acting Head Teacher

