

West Grove

Gazette Summer 2 2023



Onwards and Upwards!

I can't believe my first year at West Grove is coming to an end, the time has certainly flown by! I'd like to thank all the children, staff and families for making it such an enjoyable year, I feel truly privileged to lead this wonderful school. It is only the beginning of our journey and we have such an exciting future ahead. I thank you for all your support and contribution on this adventure.

Looking ahead to the next academic year there is much to look forward to. We will be filming a virtual tour of the school, planning a West Grove fireworks event and more educational visits for the children. Specialist music lessons weekly and increased sporting events are all part of our bright future!

Sophie Yaseen, Headteacher

West Grove Open Evening

On Thursday 13th July from 3.30 – 5.00pm we will be having a school open evening. This will be a chance to visit your child's new classroom and meet the teacher. There won't be scheduled appointments so you can drop in anytime you like.

You can also look forward to:

- School dinner samples
- Children's art exhibition
- Pop-up uniform shop
- Sports lessons in action
- Introductions to music lessons



We really look forward to welcoming all our families and children into school for the open evening to prepare for their transition to the next year group.

Sports Days

We are very excited to announce details of our upcoming sports days as follows:

- 27th June – Key Stage 1 (Year 1 & 2)
- 28th June – Lower Key Stage 2 (Year 3 & 4)
- 29th June – Upper Key Stage 2 (Year 5 & 6)
- 30th June – Early Years (Nursery, Reception)

Parents are invited to join us for the morning and stay for a picnic on the field. More information will be shared soon.

Attainment Report

At the end of the summer term you will receive a short attainment report. For those year groups where statutory assessments take place (Reception, Year 1, Year 2, Year 4 and Year 6), this report will include your child's outcomes. You can see our reporting to parents schedule here:

[Reporting to Parents](#)

School Uniform

A reminder that all children should be wearing the new school uniform from September. We have made changes, such as allowing black trousers, please see update guidance here:

[School Uniform Guidance](#)

From September we will issue children with uniform reminders to bring home if they are not in correct clothing.

Class Names

In September our class names are changing and each year group will have its own colour. The two classes will be shades of that colour and bring a bright, vibrant feel to the school. See the new names here: [Class Names](#)



Music Lessons

We are very excited to announce plans to appoint a specialist music teacher, starting at West Grove in September. Every class in the school will enjoy a fantastic music lesson each week, along with engaging singing assemblies, choir, orchestra and other clubs.

Music tuition will continue to be offered through Enfield Music Service and can be booked through their website: [Enfield Music Store](#)



Follow us on our new Facebook page!

West Grove Nursery

Our full time nursery launches in September and we are delighted to announce our current Deputy Head, Kate Davis, will be leading the provision. I'm sure you will join me in wishing her well in this new adventure.

We will not be appointing a replacement Deputy but our Assistant Heads continue to do a fantastic job implementing the school vision and developing the teaching team.

Term Dates 2023 – 2024

Autumn Term	First Day: 5th September Last Day: 19th December <u>Half term:</u> 23rd – 27th October
Spring Term	First Day: 9th January Last Day: 27th March <u>Half term:</u> 12th – 16th February
Summer Term	First Day: 15th April Last Day: 24th July (1.30pm) <u>Half term:</u> 27th – 31st May

School Vision & Values

As a leadership team we have worked hard this year to develop a strong vision for the future of West Grove. This sits alongside our school values to help guide us in all we do. Please do take the time to visit the Vision & Values page of our website to read the vision and remind yourself of our core values. We really welcome your feedback. [West Grove Vision & Values](#)

We have also developed a values pledge that is regularly shared with the children and staff. It provides a framework on how to live out our values every day.