Governors' Newsletter – Autumn 2022

"And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up" Galatians 6:9

Autumn 2022 has provided a much-needed return to a normal school year at West Park. After two years of uncertainty, we were finally able to say 'yes' to so many activities because of lifted restrictions - It's been great to feel like a community again. September saw our Year 6 pupils go to Hove Lagoon and enjoy an exhilarating (and exhausting!) few days of activities; we welcomed the Space Dome for Year 5 pupils who visited and discovered the wonder of space exploration.

As we snapped back into school life, we also achieved. This term saw us take part and win silver and bronze medals in individual's performances at the Cross Country Championships at the Gallops. Only last week, we saw gymnastic talent reach goals and girls win silver, boys win gold and the team win overall gold at the Key Stage 1 gymnastics competition. The very successful, bustling Christmas Fayre saw us come together to create some wonderful festive memories.

This term has seen both our eldest and youngest make strides in their skills and abilities. The first autumnal Fiver Challenge took place for our Year 6s which saw our budding entrepreneurs raise £1200 so far- A fantastic achievement. At the other end, our new reception class have excelled in phonics this term with great progress across the year group. We've also seen pupils across year groups accelerate at accelerated reading, with 7 pupils already reading millionaires.

Few can ignore the cost of living of living crisis that has shown us the power of support, care and kindness in times of hardship. Through these tough times, our pupils have helped each other and we have supported our wider community. Some of our pupils became Values Ambassadors, some became members of the School Council. New Head Boys and Girls and Prefects were selected to take lead by example and take on challenging responsibilities. Our Harvest Festival saw an amazing donation of food to the Turning Tides charity in Worthing, helping vulnerable homeless individuals and families.

As governors, we want to thank all our West Park family: Our pupils, teachers, support staff, parents, carers and leadership team. We wish you the happiest of Christmases, and we will continue serve our community in the New Year.

Kind regards,

Ayesha Twyman on behalf of the West Park Governors.

How to contact us

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