



WESTFIELD WEEKLY NEWS

Summer Term: Issue 1

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A good start to the new term

It's been a successful first week back at school; and good to see everyone back after Easter, and some very welcome sun. This term is a long one, so we need to pace ourselves, although there is always so much to cram in, including trips, visitors, reports, the May Fair (for the brave!), and open events towards the end of term.

Our shared theme this term is 'Are all animals the same?' which opens up fabulous possibilities for visits by us, and to us., some of which have already been organised.

Over the page, you will see the photos from the first of a number of work-related learning sessions undertaken by Woodpecker class, in which they are discovering what is involved in different jobs.

Also, the first session of Train club happened last week– it was a huge success. This was suggested by some members of the school council. Please see over the page for a report.

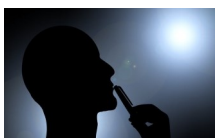
Sign of the Week



The first of this term's parent catch ups is next Wednesday at 9am, so if you drop your child off in the morning, stay a while longer, and link up with others for a chat: or come in specially for a relaxing breakfast beverage! Kate has a variety of refreshments available, including herb teas, tea, coffee and juice. For those of you who miss breakfast, there will be suitable options on offer!
We'd love to see you there.



We hope you all liked your child's school photograph, which were sent home on the last day of term. Orders should be made via the website, where you will find any additional prints not included with your proofs.



School value for the term will be Reflection: focussing on honesty for the first half, and Engagement for the second.



Coming up in the next few weeks...

Parent meet-up with coffee, tea, juice, cake: **24th April 9.00 to 10.00am**

Animal club close-up encounters: **29th April**

Bank holiday **Monday 6th May**

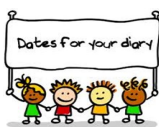
Sixth form residential **7th-10th May**

Teaching Trees visit; Red Kites and Otters: **13th May**

Workshop on supporting emotional wellbeing in children: **23rd May**

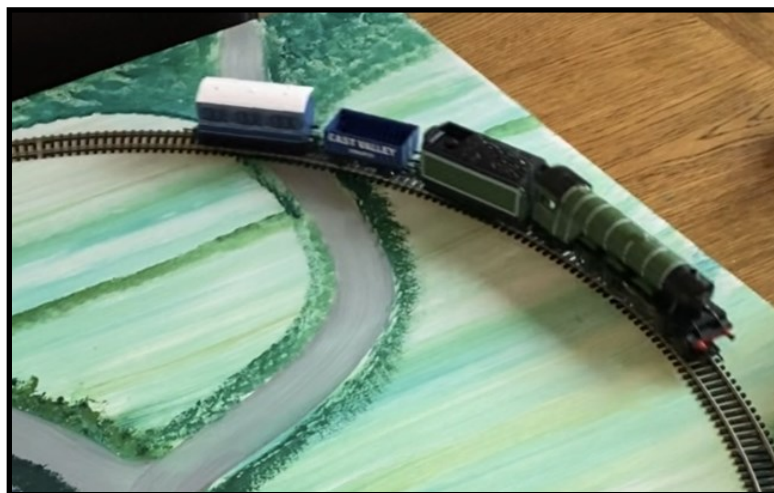
Half Term **27th to 31st May**

End of Term: **Thursday 18th July**



Work Related Learning in Woodpecker Class

Woodpecker class have been finding out and learning about different jobs that people do in the local community. The Community Play Therapist, visited on Tuesday and it was an interesting enthusiastic afternoon discovering how she can help people to prepare for health appointments, and talk about worries in advance so that their appointments run as smoothly as possible.



Tuesday Train Club got off to a flying start with The Flying Scotsman OO gauge locomotive departing the library on it's inaugural outing; the 12:20 was slightly delayed, not because of leaves on the line but Nicki's meeting overran! Cian said " **I got to work the power controller**", Joe remarked " **It's a dream come true for me.**" The engine and track was kindly donated to our railway enthusiasts who are asking If you have any **OO' gauge** track, power controllers, accessories, buildings, animals, carriages and locomotives surplus to requirements our club would really welcome them. We are building a layout as shown above. Thank you.