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# Wylde Green Primary School

## Welcome Back

Welcome to the start of the 2024/25 academic year! I am excited for our children to embrace all that this year has to offer.

I would like to thank the entire school community for the warm welcome I have received since my arrival. I hope this Newsletter gives you regular insights into life at Wylde Green Primary.

Mr. Taylor

## Head Girls and Boys

Congratulations to our newly appointed Head girls, boys and their Deputies. Mr Taylor will meet with them soon to discuss their roles and expectations for the year ahead.

During the year, staff will be looking for the qualities of potential Heads and Deputies for next year. We are looking for pupils who are hardworking, articulate, can demonstrate integrity and organisational skills and are great role models.

## Important

### Dates:

#### **17th September**

9am Year 4 Times Table Workshop

#### **19th September**

Year 4 Trip to Mary Arden's Farm

#### **27th September**

Macmillan Coffee Afternoon  
2pm - 3pm

#### **1st October**

9am Year 2 Reading Workshop  
5M Geography trip to Sutton Park

#### **2nd October**

5B Geography trip to Sutton Park

#### **8th October**

9am Reception Phonics Workshop

#### **11th October**

Flu Immunisations

# Lunchtimes

*Well done to all our children for adapting so well to the new lunchtime arrangements introduced this year.*

*The lunchtime duration has been reduced by 10 minutes in order to provide additional learning time, this includes reading class novels and participating in 'Cool Kidz' activities, all of which to facilitate a smooth and peaceful transition back to class.*

*This new approach helps children reflect on their social interactions, unwind after lunchtime, and prepare for an afternoon of focused learning.*

## Award Winners

### **Superstar Winners**

Keystage 1

Year 1 - Mia and Lewis B

Year 2 - Teniola and Laura

Keystage 2 -

Year 3 - Dominik and Mason

Year 4 - Hazel and Poppy

Year 5 - Sophie and Ayden

Year 6 - Isaac and Maddie

### **Housepoint Winners**

Keystage 1 - Griffin

Keystage 2 - Pegasus

### **Lunchtime Winners**

Keystage 1 - Year 1

Keystage 2 - Year 4

For excellent Lunchtime behaviour these year groups have been awarded an extra lunchtime session on the Jungle Gym!!!

## Information

### **Office Opening Times:**

Please note that the office opening hours are the following:

8.30am - 10am

11.30-1.15pm

3pm-4pm

For your safety, please can we encourage all parents, carers and pupils to use the crossing assistant on Green Lanes.

## Message from Mrs. O'Toole

Firstly, I hope everyone had a good summer break and the new term has started well for you all. I wanted to take the opportunity to say a heartfelt thank you for the gratitude, kindness and generosity shown to me at the end of term, by the staff, parents and children (including former pupils and families). It was an incredibly poignant time for me, and your words and messages served to add to the maelstrom of emotions I experienced! Your presents were also so very gratefully received, thank-you, however I would like to apologise if I did not thank you personally (either through Marvellous Me or in person).

Of course being a Head Teacher involved having a huge amount of responsibility and was all encompassing. However, it was also such a rewarding and pleasurable role- especially at Wylde Green. It feels very strange not welcoming the new families and children to Reception as they join the Wylde Green family and watching the Year 6, as they near the end of their journey and prepare to leave!

Sadly my retirement has not started as I anticipated, as I unexpectedly lost my mom during the school holidays. She had been diagnosed with Motor Neurone Disease and dementia, and I was planning to provide more care for her as I retired. Despite her diagnosis, her premature death was still a massive shock and a huge loss. However, whilst I plan my next venture, this will leave me with more time to walk Herbie and keep fit.

You know that Wylde Green held a special place in my heart for 14 years, and always will. Once again, thank you for your support during my time at Wylde Green. I hope that the school continues to reap the rewards of all the hard work invested by everyone at the heart of the school.

