

Message from the Headteacher:

Welcome all to the last Newsletter of this term. It has been such a busy term and we would like to thank all parents for their continued support in these ever-changing times.

Our roofing project is coming to an end, and we will now move on to our next stage of the outdoor development. If you would like to suggest any ideas you may have around what you would like in the outdoor areas, please send an email to -

Denise.Daultry@limetrust.org.

Once we have the plans developed, we will carefully map out an intervention plan to minimise disruption to the learners.

I want to share an update in response to Covid_19 and wish you all a safe and enjoyable break.

COVID-19 update:

As you will be aware, this week the government announced a new national approach for adults and children aged 5-18 years and 6 months, who have been identified as a contact of someone with COVID-19 – whether Omicron or not – to take a lateral flow test (LFT) every day for 7 days instead of isolating, if appropriate.

With the holidays coming up, we have decided to send all pupils home with a box of 7 LFT tests and encourage you, where appropriate, to continue regular twice weekly home testing throughout the holiday period, and before they return to school on 05 January 2022.

If your child develops any symptoms they should take an LFT each day for 7 days and report the results through the Online Reporting System. If your child tests positive, then you will need to arrange a PCR test to confirm the results. You should then follow the latest national guidance on isolation periods.

COVID-19 vaccinations:

Please see below some useful links to information about the vaccination programme for eligible children:

Information on vaccination for 12 to 15 year olds can be found in the COVID-19 vaccine for children aged 12 to 15 guidance

SCHOOL CALENDAR



17 December	Last Day of Term
20 December – 3 January	Christmas Holiday
4 January	INSET Day 4 – school closed to pupils
5 January	Pupils return to school

Further information on the coronavirus booster vaccination and booking a vaccination can be found on NHS.UK

An information leaflet on what to expect after vaccination is available to download or order. In some cases, parents will be able to get their booster at the same time as their child getting their first vaccine.

January return:

As we all continue to learn more about the impacts of the Omicron variant, to prepare for any possible changes in public health advice, the DfE has asked us to revisit our existing outbreak plan to ensure that we are prepared for any future changes.

These measures are:

Increased use of LFT testing, potentially including more on-site testing
 The reintroduction of face coverings in classrooms
 Limiting residential educational visits, open days, transition or taster days, parental attendance in settings and live performances in settings
 Restricting attendance as a last resort (we know that this is already happening on the basis of Public Health advice in some areas of the country)
 Just to remind you, if your child is exhibiting any COVID symptoms or has a positive PCR test, please do not send them to school. Please contact the School on Tuesday 04 January 2022 to report if they will not be returning on Wednesday 05 January. Keep safe and have a healthy holiday.

Kind Regards,
Ben Hawes

Inset Day – Tuesday 4th January

School closed to pupils.

Pupils return on Wednesday 5th January

Arbor – Parent Portal

We currently have 55% usage on the portal.

Please download from your Play Store on your phone, the Arbor App.

Go to <https://login.arbor.sc/> and click [Forgot your password?](#)

To finish creating your account you just need to set a password. Your username is your email address.

If you have any queries, please contact the school office.

SEN Sessions @ WF Feel Good Centre

Saturday: 8.30am – 9.30am

Tuesday: 5.00pm – 6.00pm

Waltham Forest Feel Good Centre

170 Chingford Road
Walthamstow, Waltham Forest
London
E17 5AA

Open today:
0600 - 2200

 0203 859 1055

Parental Engagement

Dental Outreach London/NELFT

Oral health programme, regularly visit primary schools, nurseries and family hubs setting up toothbrushing clubs, applying fluoride varnishing and delivering fun education sessions to help the children maintain healthy, happy smiles. Sadly, but understandably, their visits were postponed for several months due to Coronavirus.

Thankfully, on the 8th and 15th December 2021, virtual training was effectively delivered to class teachers, followed on by a parent and carers' information session. It was lovely to see some of our parents' asking questions and attending all the sessions offered this term. We look forward to more engagement opportunities that support learning whilst bringing our growing community of parents together.

Dental Outreach would really appreciate if parents of pupils at both sites to complete the online form by **24th December 2021**. Please click below link:

[Dental - Supervised toothbrushing programme form | Kent Community Health NHS Foundation Trust \(kentcht.nhs.uk\)](#)

Parent will need to select the Supervised toothbrushing programme, select borough (Waltham Forest) and the schools are listed as: Hornbeam Academy Trust Brookfield House And Hornbeam Academy Trust William Morris.

Parent Point Meetings - Coming Soon!!

Online booking slots that will allow you to secure meetings that work around your day. Talk to us about what matters most to you!

Surgery slots will be available on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday (9 -11.30am) providing the option to select a callback, virtual or face to face meeting.

Parent Training Calendar 2022 - Coming Soon!!

Engage with service professionals locally and nationally, covering topics that matter most to you as a caregiver and school community member.

Edith Windsor-Stokes

Learning @ BFH – Pink Class

The Christmas Spirit is certainly in the air in Pink Class!



Pink class students have been learning about a range of exciting topics linked to our theme of Winter Wonderland. They have been working on value and measurement through sensory activities including hot chocolate pouring, snowflake soup, Christmas shopping and a Christmas-themed sink or float experiment. The students even made their own snow!



The class also learned about animals in winter and decided to help animals to source food in the colder months. They worked very hard to put together and decorate bird feeders for their outdoor area.



Throughout this half term, the class have worked on many art, craft and fine motor activities including a giant Santa sleigh, Christmas cards, Christmas decorations and present wrapping. On Wednesday, we celebrated our annual Christmas and achievements assembly. We are very proud of our accomplishments this term, especially the great effort we put into building on our communication skills and maintaining positive relationships with each other. Friendship is the greatest gift of all!

Pink Class wishes everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Learning @ WM – Barbara Jordan Class

Barbara Jordan Class are proud of the work we have completed this term. A strong part of our discovery activities have involved themes around growth and development. We are learning to build our knowledge in a collaborative way... A small window ledge garden is a growth goal for our class community. We want to have a sustainable future for all and feel we are doing our little bit to make that a reality!



We worked on the importance of growth, following our 'save the planet' week!!

Each student member planted the seeds and watered the soil. We are hoping to see growth over time and will capture the changes using our class Ipad.



At a later stage, with growth expected, we will replant our herbs in bigger pots and expand our activities with other classes around the school.