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## Newsletter — Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2015 Issue No: 6

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a busy week with prospective parents visiting the school. We are particularly grateful to the Year Six children who have been an asset to the school, showing parents and children around the school. We have received very positive feedback about the welcoming and friendly ethos of the school and look forward seeing many of the parents in September.

### News From Reception

In Silver Birch class we have been reading the story of 'The Little Red Hen'. We have enjoyed making our own hedgehog rolls.

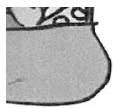


### News From Years One and Two

Key Stage One children are currently working hard preparing for the Nativity, ready for their audience on Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> December. The rest of the school is looking forward to seeing the dress rehearsal on Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> December!

### News from Year Three

In Larch Class, we have been writing 'alternative' fairy tales – taking the structure of a fairy tale and twisting it. This is a fantastic extract from Amelie who was awarded the celebration assembly certificate.



#### Little Red Riding Hood and the tiger by Amelie Pickup

In a faraway land in a little cottage there lived a little girl called little red riding hood, she led a joyful life with her mother by the edge of the dark mysterious woods. Little red riding hood hardly ever needed to go in these woods because her grandma (who lived on the other side of the woods) always came to her house. But one day terrible news arrived at her house grandma... had fallen ill! So little red riding hood was asked by her gentle mother to go to her granny's house with some cakes and soup. But before she went her mother warned her "Now, don't go off the path and don't talk to the tiger who lives in the woods!" So with that little red riding hood skipped happily humming to herself. She smelt a sweet woodland smell but also a delectable glowery smell, as if in a daze she turned suddenly and ran off the path and a mile deep in the woods there was a clearing full of beautiful colourful flowers, little red riding hood bent down and picked some flowers. "These would be nice for granny" She exclaimed to herself but she didn't notice from behind a hollow brown oak tree the... tiger was peering closely at her suddenly he leaped out as high as a kangaroo and then landed and little red riding hood jumped in surprise. "Where are you going little girl?" the tiger growled slowly licking his lips.

### News from Year Four

This term, Year Four went on a fantastic trip to Fishbourne Roman Palace. The Palace was discovered in 1960 and is believed to have been built over 2000 years ago. It has one of the largest collections of mosaic floors in Britain and this was one of our favourite parts of the trip. We also met a "Roman Soldier" who was quite frightening and stern but answered lots of our questions!



### **News from Year Five**

In Year Five, we are currently in the planning stage of composing our own fairy tales. We have been looking at the features, use of language and common themes of fairy tales in order to help us plan effectively. We look forward to reading some of our stories to children in Key Stage One.



### **News From Year Six**

As part of their contribution to the Reception Open Sessions, Year Six received the following from our Chair of Governors:

Dear Year 6,

In recognition of your sterling contribution to Lewes Film and on behalf of the Governors of Western Road School, I am delighted to award you this LAFTA certificate.



Well done in your efforts to convey what the school means to you to groups of prospective parents both through the media of video but also through the tours you so graciously provided. Your positive attitude and friendly approach is inspiring indeed.

Keep up the good work. Wishing you many LAFTAs in the future.

With very best wishes on behalf of the Governors –

Ken Caplan

Chair of Governors



### Music at Western Road

We were lucky enough to have 'Orchestral Sound' from the University of Sussex hold a workshop involving the musicians and children in Years Five and Six.



We also had a guitar recital for Key Stage Two, starring our guitarists, led by Tom the guitar teacher. Thank you to the parents and carers who were able to attend to celebrate the fantastic music!



### News from the SENCo

I have arranged for Paul Platts Brighton & Hove's ICT/Computing Teaching & Learning Consultant to deliver E-Safety training on **Tuesday 2nd February 2016 at 6.30pm in the school hall** to all school staff and parent/carers. This session will discuss the issues around children's use of the internet. The focus will be on the positive uses as well as the negative ones.

Paul will look at ways to equip staff, parents and carers with the knowledge and awareness needed to feel confident to talk about modern technologies and take the actions required to protect children.

Please make a note of this date in your diaries. I am hoping that as many parents/carers as possible can make appropriate child care arrangements in order to attend this very important training session.

Hilary Masters,  
SENCo/Designated Safeguarding Lead

### News From FOWRS

Next Monday (7<sup>th</sup> December) is a non-uniform day and the children can wear something lovely and Christmassy to school instead! We would also welcome donations for the Christmas Fair raffle boxes. An item of Christmassy food, drink or a small toy would be ideal! The Christmas Fair will be on Monday 14th December, straight after school, in the Hall. Please also remember the Artists and Makers at the Town Hall on Saturday, 5<sup>th</sup> December from 10am to 5pm.

## Celebration Assembly

The following children were congratulated in Celebration Assembly for their contributions to class. They received a special certificate and cup! Congratulations to all! Also featured in our Celebration Assembly were the children awarded with Bronze Merit Awards for receiving 50 merits – well done to them! We also congratulated our fantastic cross-country team which included Freya (first), Patrick (third).



Reception: Jake and Neave, Year One – Jesse and Ivar



Year Two – Freya and Harry, Year Three – Ben and Amelie



Year Four – Stanley and Kamala, Year Five – Tiegan and Kyle



Year Six – Freya, Year Four children with their Bronze Merit Awards, Year Six Cross-Country team

**Safe-Guarding Children at Western Road Community Primary School:**

At Western Road Community Primary, all staff take safeguarding children very seriously. All staff have been trained in Safeguarding and Child Protection. If you have any concerns about a child's well-being, bullying or e-safety, please contact the Designated Teachers for Child Protection: **Ms Masters and Mr Montebello.**