



Weekly

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Newsletter

Classroom Highlights

Children have been making their teachers very proud once again this week.

In **Nursery**, we have been learning all about the life cycle of a butterfly. We have enjoyed reading *The Very Hungry Caterpillar* and have even welcomed our very own caterpillars into Nursery. We are excited to watch them change and grow and, eventually, transform into beautiful butterflies.

Reception have been exploring maps through the story *Martha's Maps*. We have studied our local area, learned about the seven continents and created our own maps in provision. We are also looking forward to celebrating David Attenborough's 100th birthday this Friday.

In maths, **Year 1** have been exploring what makes an equal group and why grouping objects can help make counting quicker and more efficient. They have been using practical activities to understand how equal groups work and how this strategy supports faster calculations.

In **Year 2**, children have been exploring and recreating the artwork of Jo Hall, an English artist, who works with dots, lines and shapes to create texture and pattern.

In **Year 3**, children have been enjoying their class reader, *Operation Gadgetman* by Malorie Blackman and responding to comprehension questions by identifying statements and impressions of characters' thoughts.

In **Year 4**, children have been working hard in maths, finishing their topic on decimals. They have been dividing numbers by 10 and 100 and converting fractions into decimals.


This week, **Year 5** have been focusing on self-confidence, body image and the importance of being kind to ourselves and others in PSHE.

Year 6 have continued to apply themselves brilliantly. Their positive attitudes, determination and hard work have been wonderful to see, and they are in a very strong position. Many of them are even looking forward to the opportunity to show off all the knowledge and skills they have developed this year! We are incredibly proud of the mature and confident way they are approaching next week.

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well done to all of the children for working incredibly hard once again this week. Your effort, enthusiasm and positive attitudes continue to shine through in everything you do, which does not go unnoticed.

An extra big GOOD LUCK and WELL DONE goes to our amazing **Year 6** children. They have been showing maximum effort, determination and resilience, truly impressing us all. They have most certainly been demonstrating 'Wardley Way' **perseverance** in the time, effort and dedication they have been putting into their SATs practice.

We wish them the absolute very best of luck next week but, above all, we want them to know just how incredibly proud we are of each and every one of them. Absolutely superb! 

Thank you, as always, to all our children and families for your continued support.

Upcoming Events

- 11th - 15th May - Assessment Week (Y1-6)
- Tuesday, 19th May - Ethos Committee
- Friday, 22nd May - Non-Uniform Day

Half Term Holiday - 25th May - 1st June

We return to school on Tuesday, 2nd June

Did you know?

Children currently receive free school milk until their fifth birthday through the Government's school milk scheme. After this point, the entitlement ends. This means that within the same Reception class some children continue receiving milk while others do not, depending on when their birthday falls. At Wardley, we're supporting the Fair Milk for a Fair Start campaign, which calls for a simple change so all children can receive free school milk until the end of their Reception year.

Find out more or show your support:
<https://fairmilkfairstart.com/>



'With God's Love We Can Do All Things'

Christian Value

The value of **Hope** is about much more than just wishing as hard as we can that things will be different. It is about believing that the world can be better and being prepared to do something!



Collective Worship Theme

During Collective Worship this week, the children listened to the Bible story, 'Breakfast by Galilee'. In the story, Jesus meets His disciples by the lake after they had spent all night fishing without catching anything. Jesus helps them catch lots of fish and then cooks breakfast for them on the shore.

The children talked about how this story teaches us about Forgiveness and Hope. As part of our Worship, the children have been talking about **Hope** and what it means to them. They were asked a special question:

"Can you write a special Hope for the world?"

Attendance



Attendance Award - Year 1

Well done to **Year 1**, who received our award for the best attendance last week, with **98.4%**.

Thank you once again for your continued support, as we work together to promote the importance of good attendance here at Wardley.

Football Match Rerpot

On Tuesday, our mixed Year 5 and 6 football team played against St Mary's in a match full of support, determination and teamwork. Although some of the players had never played in a competitive match before, they showed fantastic togetherness and encouraged one another throughout the game. Despite narrowly losing 5-4, the team should be incredibly proud of their efforts and attitude. Every player represented Wardley brilliantly and demonstrated our Wardley values from start to finish.

ATTENDANCE

WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?

ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL

Children are required by law to attend school 190 days per year. The Government states that every pupils attendance should be at least 95%.

How do YOU measure up?

Attendance	Days Absent	Weeks Absent	Lessons Missed
95%	9 Days	2 Weeks	50 Lessons
90%	19 Days	4 Weeks	100 Lessons
85%	29 Days	6 Weeks	150 Lessons
80%	38 Days	8 Weeks	200 Lessons
75%	48 Days	10 Weeks	250 Lessons
70%	57 Days	11.5 Weeks	290 Lessons
65%	67 Days	13.5 Weeks	340 Lessons

89% & Below
Drastic effect on academic achievement

95%-90%
Cause for concern

100%-96%
Excellent

