



WEST HADDON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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School Finances

Many parents have asked me for an update on school finances after our comments about a real term reduction in budget of £50,000. To help clarify the situation, our saving will ultimately come from the following:

- There will be a reduction in the number of staff working in classrooms throughout the school day. We will continue to provide our statutory duties in covering ratios etc, however, this will mean that there will be a reduced number of small group sessions for our children. You may have already noticed that some members of staff have reduced their working hours to accommodate this cut and this will continue over the next financial year in order to minimise the impact.
- We will reduce the number of activities that provide subsidised special experiences. For example, we are unlikely to have Samba Drumming and Indian Dancing in the subsequent year.
- Consumable resources will be reduced by half. Hopefully we will minimise the impact through waste reduction and cheaper options but curriculum days may have to be scaled down due to budget restrictions.
- We are hoping that the PTA will be able to run a number of larger fundraising events to help minimise the impact to the quality of education and provision. If you have any bright ideas and are willing to lead/lend a hand with an event, please contact Mr Rosevear or Lucie Phillips.
- We are hoping that some companies and residents will help with donations to support our school. If you have any contacts, please get in touch with Mr Rosevear or the school office team.
- We continue to lobby our MPs to highlight our concerns. You may also wish to share your concerns by writing an email or letter.

Healthy Snacks

Just a reminder that children in Nursery, Reception and Key Stage 1 are provided with a healthy fruit snack as part of the National School Fruit Scheme. Key Stage 2 children are unfortunately not eligible for this and need to bring a healthy snack to have during morning break. This should be fresh fruit, dried fruit, vegetables not sweets, crisps, chocolate or food containing nuts. Please also take care with some of the 'fruit based' snacks such as winders, fruit flakes and cereal bars – many of these types of snack are sweetened with concentrated apple juice which provides a high concentration of sugar which can be detrimental to your child's health and teeth.



Dates for the Diary

May

13th – 16th May

Friday 17th

Monday 20th

Tuesday 21st

Thursday 23rd

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Friday 24th

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June

Monday 3rd

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SATS week for Year 2 & 6

Family Bingo Night

Residential Meeting (4 p.m.)

May Day Celebrations 1.30pm

Curriculum Day

Plan B May Day Celebrations

(Curriculum Day will be cancelled)

Community Worship – Dignity

Term Ends

School Opens

Yr 1 & 2 trip to Sea Life Centre

HEADTEACHER AWARD AND VALUES STARS



Lost Property

The lost property boxes in the front entrance are starting to bulge. Please can you have a look through to claim belongings. Thank you.

Our School Building

A big thank you goes to Andy Cragg, our site supervisor, who has been very busy sorting our our site since the builders have left. He has been organising and shelving our cupboards, fitting safety equipment/signage and gardening during his own time to ensure our school is in tip top condition for our children.

A big thank you also goes to our anonymous donator of the lavender and plants in the front entrance boarder – they look fabulous.



Our Value for this month is Dignity

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