



Nursery

 **Pupil of the Week**

Pupil of the Week is Avarnah Gardner for being kind and caring to all of her friends and teachers.

Year 1

 **Pupil of the Week**

Pupil of the Week is Phoebe Barker for writing an excellent letter in English.

Year 1 have thoroughly enjoyed taking learning outdoors this week in the sunshine!

Year 3

 **Pupil of the Week**

Pupil of the Week is Kelsey Whitelock for her hard work in all aspects of school.

Year 5

 **Pupil of the Week**

Pupil of the Week is Holly H, this week she has produced an excellent and informative leaflet about the Chichen Itza. She always shows excellent enthusiasm towards her learning and is a role model to others.

Reception

 **Pupil of the Week**

Pupil of the Week is Esme Severn for trying hard with her listening skills.

This week in Fresh Air Friday we have been exploring the school grounds, looking for signs of Spring. We have made some beautiful Mother's Day cards this week.

Year 2

 **Pupil of the Week**

Pupil of the Week is Abigail Teasdale for being determined to improve her reading skills by choosing to read a book when she's finished her work.

A special mention to Elliott Parkinson and Lillianne Devon for bringing their reading books back every day this week! Well done!

Class 2 have planted lots of new trees this afternoon that were kindly donated from The Tree Company. We hope they grow to provide shelter and attract wildlife for the future of West Cornforth children to experience.

Year 4

 **Pupil of the Week**

Pupil of the Week is Chloe Wilkinson for an excellent mystery story.

Year 6

 **Pupil of the Week**

Pupil of the week is Aaliyah Ferguson - For her fantastic work with Mrs Brown, focusing on inference skills.



Headteacher's Awards

- ❖ Nathaniel Davison for trying his best in all subjects.
- ❖ Cole Fitzgerald receives a special mention this week for his excellent, positive attitude.
- ❖ EYFS staff for supporting each other and making the move back to Ducklings as smooth as possible.

W.A.S
Wellbeing Award for Schools

Our school are currently working to achieve this Wellbeing Award for Schools. The award aims to promote positive social and emotional wellbeing, mental health and wellness for pupils and staff in your school.

Walk like an Egyptian.....

Our first history day will take place Tuesday 29th March.
Another great opportunity to see the staff dressed up!



Music in School

Music education is an area for development in our school.
Staff training has been organised and we have purchased lots of new resources. Older KS2 children will also be given the opportunity to play the drums, as well as the cornet.



We would like to extend a huge thank you to [Get Charging](https://get-charging.co.uk) for generously sponsoring sport uniforms for our staff.
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Mr Whitelock has been working tirelessly to find sponsors for sports uniforms, for both students and staff, to ensure we are prepared for upcoming sports events this summer. We are thrilled to see the return of sporting events this year and with Mr Whitelock's fundraising efforts, staff and students now have uniforms to wear when representing our school.

Whispers Around West Cornforth Primary School

We are starting a new Podcast in school called Whispers around West Cornforth Primary School. Every week we will give you a glimpse into school life, chat about some positive news stories and find the best joke from around school to make you laugh! Our first episode will be airing soon and will be uploaded to our school website.

Wrap Around Care at West Cornforth Primary School

The children who attend the wrap around club have named it *West Cornforth Primary School Wild Cats*. We offer a breakfast club which opens from 7.15am to 8.45am at the cost of £3.00 per session. The children receive a choice of cereals, toast, fresh fruit and yoghurts.

After school wrap around care runs every school day from 3.00pm - 6.00pm at a cost of £5.00 per session. These sessions are predominantly play led, with additional activities such as crafts, baking, art, sports, music and dancing. The children can also complete homework during these sessions.

A light tea is also offered with a choice of fresh fruit and yoghurts.

Here are the children's thoughts about our wrap around club:

" I like West Cornforth Wild Cats because I get to play with all of my friends and we have lots of fun."

" I like going to after school because I like going into the hall and playing football."

" I like the lovely things."

" I like the fact we can use the hall for movement, games and dancing."

" I like going to breakfast club, as I love the cereal."

"I have lots of friends in Wild Cats."

Come and join us!

TOTAL DRAMA ALL★STARS

Mr Gough's Drama Superstars!

Year 1

George
Ethan

Year 2

Lillieanne
Alex

Year 3

Robyn
Maddison

Year 4

Delaney
Kayden

Year 5

Holly
Olivia

Year 6

Lilly
Leo

Great work in drama!

Safeguarding

Online Problems

Snapchat's user-base is predominantly young, with a lot of teens being on-board. The age limit stated by Snapchat to use the app is **13 years**, but there could be a lot of younger people who could be lying about their age just to be a part of the popular multimedia messaging app.

A number of children are using Snapchat and quite a few have had/are having bullying issues. Have you checked your child's phone recently?

Mr. Whitelock's Sports Superstars

Rec:

Emily Martin & Esme Metcalfe

Year 1:

Leo-Zen Sargent & Freddie Cooke & Layla-Mai Marsh

Year 2:

Cole Iddon & Olivia-Rose Powers

Year 3:

Rossi Parkin & Thomas Wilkinson

Year 4:

Chloe Wilkinson & Andrew Teasdale

Year 5:

Matthew Graham & Lexie Bartlett

Year 6:

Leo Roberts & Kasey Smith



Attendance

The Law

You need to make sure your child attends school regularly and on time. You will be breaking the law if you do not do this and there are no good reasons for your child missing school.

Help and Support

If you need help with attendance you must talk to the school about it as soon as possible.

Sometimes, school may need to involve other services to help. The School and Local Authority want to help you if you have a problem. If attendance does not get better or you do not accept help and support offered, the Council may have to begin enforcement action.

If Your Child Is Absent You Must:

Contact school on each day of absence and provide reasons for absence.

Keep school informed on a regular basis if your child is absent for a long period.

Follow Coronavirus procedures – to ensure students, staff and our school community can stay safe.

Failure to do these things may result in your child's absences being unauthorised

Unauthorised absences can be recorded on the register when there is no valid reason given for absences, a holiday not approved by the school, lateness after the register closes or illness without medical evidence.

Medical Appointments

If it is possible, any appointment should be made out of school time. If this is not possible, your child should miss the minimum amount of school time necessary. **If your child is well enough to go back to school following the appointment they should do so.**



After playing outside this afternoon, I found a nice cool spot under the chairs to rest and relax.

It has been great chasing the ball in the sunshine this week.

Remember to wear a cap and sun cream if you are playing outside.

Shoulders burn easily too. Whilst at school, remember to wear a t-shirt to cover them covered up. Better to be safe than sorry!



Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) Updates

SEND Coffee Morning

We are holding an informal coffee morning on **Tuesday 5th April from 9am** for parents and carers of children with SEND. Invites will be sent out next week. Laura Redhead (Occupational Therapist) from Sensory Worx, Joanne Watson and Lindsay Burkinshaw (Emotional Wellbeing and Effective Learning Team) will be there alongside Miss Gregg (SENCO). The coffee morning will be a chance for parents, carers, staff and professionals to meet and have informal discussions. It will be useful to have discussions and gather views on SEND support at West Cornforth Primary School, as well as find out what information you would like to be covered in future coffee mornings. There will be coffee, tea and biscuits on offer, so please come along if you're free!



Parents Self-Help Section

Parental Advice for Supporting Children to Deal with Angry Feelings

Help with those 'hot feelings' – some tips and information for parents/carers about managing anger in children:

<http://www.scholastic.com/parents/resources/article/praise-discipline/anger-management-children>

Book recommendation:



An anger management story for children written by Lori Lite. Children relate to the angry octopus in this story as the sea child shows him how to take a deep breath, calm down, and manage his anger. Children love to unwind and relax with this fun exercise known as progressive muscular relaxation. This effective stress and anger management technique focuses awareness on various muscle groups and breath to create a complete resting of the mind and body. This is a great little story to help children understand that they are in control of their emotions. It focuses on the ownership of feelings and emotions and taking command of the situation.

Miss Gregg is our school SENCO. if you would like to speak to her about your child's special educational needs, please contact the school office to arrange an appointment. **Miss Gregg is now available to contact via your child's Class Dojo account.**