

## THE HARMONY TRUST Westwood Academy

Miss Wimperis says... A fantastic end to the half term, with our wonderful poetry week! All of the children have worked really hard on writing their own poem and performing a piece of poetry as a class.

We have places available in our Nursery for September 2021, if your children was born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2017 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2018. Please apply at the school office.

## Poetry Week!

At Westwood this week, we have had a poetry take-over! Every afternoon has been dedicated to reading, writing and rehearsing different types of poetry; exposing the children to different forms of writing and giving them opportunity to perform with their class.

We have also had two special assemblies this week. We were very lucky to be joined by local children's author and poet, Danielle Corrigan, on Monday, who read us her rhyming story, 'Cedric the Seed'. On Friday, each class shared their poems in fabulous performances for our whole school poetry assembly.

Here are some of the brilliant poetry displays that classes have created this week:



ACHIEVE

Danielle Corrigan



## Word of the week

Learning is the process of acquiring new understanding, knowledge, behaviours, skills, values, attitudes, and preferences.



**Attendance Champions!** 

Well done Year 5!

% attendance!!

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		Stars of the half term
Year group	Stars of the week	Reason for the award
Nursery	Halima	For being confident to join in with all our learning especially when talking about her experiences and joining in singing.
	Riad	For being a mature role model to all his friends by always being kind and helpful.
Reception	Asenath	For always working hard and making fantastic progress in all her areas of learning. For growing in confidence and becoming more independent each day.
Year 1	Intazul Tayyibah	For having great enthusiasm towards all of his learning and always following the GHLLWK rules For becoming more independent with all of her learning and having more confidence in her own learning.
Year 2	Amaya Kausar	For being cooperative and motivational to her classmates. For being resilient in his learning and becoming an expert reader
Year 3	Khadidja Saiful	For wonderful progress and achievement across the curriculum and for being a great communicator, making friendships and for becoming more confident to ask and answer questions in class. For being an expert learner and for always imparting his maths understanding, reasoning and problem solving skills onto others.
Year 4	Nadia Cintia	For giving their best effort in everything they do.
Year 5	Tasnia Safwaan	For being an honest and kind member of the class, always willing to help others and for demonstrating excellent independence in Maths. For being a polite, caring and considerate young man and being respectful to others.
Year 6	Shahan Fatema W	For a sustained effort to improve in all subjects. For producing fabulous pieces of work across the curriculum.

## What has each class been learning about this week?

<u>EYFS-</u> In English, we have been learning all about words that rhyme by reading the book 'Mad about Minibeasts'. We Maths, we have been busy practising all our number work that we have been learning this half term.

<u>Year 1-</u> In English we have been writing fact files comparing polar bears to penguins. In Maths we have been finding halves and quarters of shapes and amounts

<u>Year 2-</u> In English we have been learning about alliteration and onomatopoeias as well as using senses to write poems. In Maths, we have been learning to name and describe 2D shapes, including finding lines of symmetry.

<u>Year 3-</u> In English we had started to write a formal speech, delivered by Howard Carter. In Maths we had been comparing and ordering fractions.

<u>Year 4-</u> In English, we have been writing narrative poetry about Beowulf and his battle with the Sea Hag. In Maths, we have been looking at converting fractions to decimals.

<u>Year 5-</u> In English this week, we have been learning about yellow spotted lizards. We have written a non-chronological report filled with facts about yellow spotted lizards. In Maths, we have been learning how to compare fractions.

<u>Year 6-</u> In English, children have written alternative ending to Hansel and Gretel. In Maths, we have learned how to calculate ratio and proportion.