

## Westhead Lathom St James'

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Dear Families,

What a lovely sunny week to return to after the half term break. The children have really enjoyed their breaks and lunchtimes out in the sun this week.

We started our week with our whole school Collective Worship to launch Pride Month and our project on 'Same Love Different Families.' Throughout this month we will be celebrating all of our different families during our PSHE sessions and will be sharing some lovely texts during Collective Worship that look at different families too.

This week I would like to give a HUGE THANK YOU to all of our Wise Owls pupils for their work as Playground Leaders. You may remember earlier in the year the whole class had training from West Lancs Sports' Partnership on designing and leading playground games. After completing their training, the whole class came up with a rota of volunteers and ideas for games which are hosted every lunch time. This has been a massive success and this is down to our wonderful Wise Owls. The dedication, preparation, responsibility and maturity that they have shown has been fantastic. The sessions every lunchtime are always well attended by children from right across school N-Y6. It really is lovely to watch the children playing so well together.

This week our Y5/6 football club started. The children that participated in this first session really enjoyed the activities and again it was really lovely to see them all working so well together as a team. This club will run for the rest of the year. Well done Wise Owls.

This week and next are busy weeks for schools across the county as Y2 and Y6 teachers prepare for their statutory assessments and moderation. I have been out this week on school visits conducting moderation visits for the Local Authority and will be again next week. These visits are an invaluable way of sharing good practice between schools and school also gets reimbursed for my time which is always a bonus!

Today we welcomed Amy Troner into school for the day. Amy came to talk to each class about Judaism. She brought along with her a range of artefacts and held a whole school assembly as well as spending time with each class. We all really enjoyed these talks which have helped reinforce the children's understanding.

A reminder that church is hosting a Family, Fun and Food event at Westhead Village Hall on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June 4-6pm. All welcome! We look forward to seeing you there.

Finally, a BIG THANKS to our amazing PTA who have been working incredibly hard behind the scenes to prepare for our Summer Fayre. These events take a lot of organisation and we really appreciate all of the time given and volunteers that help staff these events. We are really looking forward to the Fayre this evening and hope to see as many of you there as possible!

Have a lovely weekend all!

Miss Clark

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## **OUR BUSY SCHOOL WEEK**

Thank you to our Aspiration speakers and their information about their interesting careers.

















Our special Judaism visitor in school today.



## CHURCH NEWS



St James' Church, Westhead

For pastoral support and zoom log-ins please contact-

Rev John Sephton on john-sephton1@yahoo.com

**Community Praise on Zoom** 

## **DIARY DATES**

- Monday 12th June Year 6 Leavers' service, Liverpool Cathedral
- Tuesday 20th June Wise Owls to Min-y-Don for 4 days
- Thursday 29th June new Eager Beavers' Parents Night
- Thursday 29th June P.T.A. bingo Westhead Village Hall Times to be confirmed
- Monday July 3rd Sports Day 1 p.m.
- Production at Westhead Church Tues 11th July 1.30 p.m. and 6.30 p.m. Weds 12th
  6.30p.m. Tickets on sale in the near future



Our music loving Wise Owls ! Lots of fun learning their brass instruments.

Mrs Parkinson, attending her Forest School Leader's course which encompassed an intensive week of learning at Mere Sands. Nine months of written tasks now follow together with a two day First Aid course and a Cooking Skills course and a lesson observation, following which we will be able to offer a full Forest School curriculum again.







Our Wise Owls were very appreciative of Mark Tither, volunteering to run a lunchtime football club for them as a break from his studies at Edge Hill in Sports Coaching and Management.

