



## West End Academy

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### Meet the Teacher

Thank you to everyone who attended our “meet the teacher” event last week. I hope you received all the information you will need for the year ahead. I also hope our event helped you to settle your child quickly back into school.

### Teaching and Learning

Information about what the teachers have planned for your child this term is now on our website. We continue to have high expectations for our children and we ask you as parents to support us in this. Therefore, please have a look at the information under the Curriculum section of our website.

### Attendance

The table below shows the attendance for each class last week. Each week, our whole-school attendance should be at least 96%. Congratulations to Upper Foundation Stage and Year 4 for achieving 100% attendance last week.

Upper Foundation	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Whole School
100%	95.37%	94%	99.11%	100%	87.5%	99.54%	96.57%

### SATs

Year 6 will be completing their SATs in the week beginning Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2022. Please do not book any holidays for that week. SATs are an important part of your child’s primary school education and I want to ensure they can reach their full potential.

### School Council

Well done to the children who have been chosen to join the school council this year. Members of the school council play an important role in the decisions that we make about the school. I look forward to telling you more about their work throughout the academic year.

### Word of the Month

We must allow our children to learn and use new words. Each month, the children are introduced to a special word that is displayed in the classroom. Below, you will find the word of the month for each class in September:

- Year 1 - behave
- Year 2 - shriek
- Year 3 - impede
- Year 4 - decimate
- Year 5 - aspiring
- Year 6 - defiance

We hope that our children can soon tell each other what the word means, use it correctly in their work and spell it correctly in their writing. Please encourage your child to use the word of the month at home.

### Special Mentions

Well done to the children who received achievement certificates or a positive leaf in our first special mentions assemblies of the year. It is great to see that so many children have made such a positive start to the new academic year.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mr C Johnson  
Headteacher

