## This week at WGPA ...

Term I – Monday II September 2023

## Dear families,

Welcome back to the start of our new academic year! It is set to be the most exciting time for us as a school, as January will see us all come together on one site. We will of course mark this occasion with a momentous event, work is underway to ensure the smooth transition onto one site.

Seeing the children on the first day of term was wonderful, with some starting school for the first time. There were smiles all around. Classrooms were calm and purposeful, the Year I and 2 children loved their brand-new rooms; one child said it all in one word 'amazing!' All children looked very smart in their uniforms, a full list of our uniform expectations can be found on our school website, if you require any support, please do not hesitate to make contact.

We welcomed Miss Marum as our Year 2 teacher, she has worked hard alongside Mrs Battersby and her team to create a tremendous learning environment. We also welcomed Mrs McGibbon as our character of education lead, she will be working closely with children and staff to further embed our school vision and values. Miss Green also returned from maternity leave, it has been fantastic to have her back at school.

Our value of focus this term is Courage - during our shining lights assembly this week it was a true pleasure to hear all of the acts of courage that children have demonstrated already this term.

Mrs Smyth

	PE Day for this Term
EYFS	Wednesday
Year I	Friday
Year 2	Tuesday
Year 3	Thursday
Year 4	Tuesday
Year 5	Wednesday
Year 6	Monday and Thursday (swimming)



You will have received a call from the office to confirm your child's place. Any questions, please contact the academy office.

	Years I-3	Years 4-6
Monday	Choir	Recorder
Tuesday	Boxercise	Reading / New Age Kurling
Wednesday	Recorder	Ball Skills
Thursday	Reading	Earlsfield Explorers



## Key diary dates:

Week commencing 18<sup>th</sup> September Reception Baseline Assessments to be completed (if you have any questions please see Mrs Thacker)

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September Lockdown Drill (Trent Road Site)

<u>Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September</u> Lockdown Drill (Junior Site)

<u>Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September</u> National Teaching Assistants Day

<u>Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October</u> National Teachers Day

<u>Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October</u> Parents Evening- Trent Road Site (EYFS to Year 3)

Wednesday 11th October Parents Evening- Junior Site (Year 4 to Year 6)

<u>Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October</u> Parents Evening- Junior Site (Year 4 to Year 6)

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October Parents Evening- Trent Road Site (EYFS to Year 3)

Wednesday 18th October School Photographs

<u>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October</u> Whole School Values Assembly

<u>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October</u> Last day of term

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October First day of Term 2