

### Year 5– World Space Week

For World Space Week, Year 5 have taken part in workshops with other primary schools from around the country, learning about Space. They have been exploring the dark universe with the Euclid space telescope, and they have been learning about what's new in Space. They were lucky enough to talk to Benjamin, a professor of astrophysics at University College London, as well Katherine Courtney, the founder of SpaceSouth.



### Attendance and Punctuality

As you know, attendance and punctuality in school is incredibly important and, if children do not attend school regularly, it may significantly impact their learning as well as their personal and social development. We fully appreciate that some absences, e.g. those due to illness, can't be helped; however, we wanted to share the graphic below to make parents aware of how days absent can quickly add up and significantly impact your child's overall attendance. Lateness can also mean that children miss important elements of the curriculum and lesson time therefore we ask that all children are in their classroom ready to learn by 9am.

Is 90% attendance (persistent absence) that bad? More days are lost than you think....

90% attendance still means almost a month of education is lost every academic year

0 days absent 190 School days in the year	10 days absence 180 days in school	19 days absence 171 days in school	29 days absence 161 days in school	38 days absence 152 days in school	47 days absence 143 days in school
100% attendance	96% attendance	90% attendance	85% attendance	80% attendance	75% attendance
Best chance of success	Poor attendance less chance of success	Very poor attendance leading to serious impact on educational and life chances			

### Forest Schools

On Wednesday, Nursery will be taking part in an educational forest school lesson led by our forest school leader, Chris. Please ensure children wear suitable clothing and footwear for the weather and bring a waterproof coat. We also ask that any long hair is tied back for this session.

### Secondary School Applications

A reminder to all our Year 6 parents that the deadline for secondary school applications is Tuesday 31st October. Should you have any questions, please get in touch with your local authority.



## Newsletter

Monday 9th October 2023

### Stars of the Week

Our stars of the week for last week are:

Nursery: Elliott and Alexander Class 1: Toby Class 2: River H  
 Class 3: Parker Class 4: Maiya Class 5: George  
 Class 6: Emme Class 7: Lincoln Class 8: Noah Class 9: Bonnie  
 Class 10: Max Class 11: Esme Class 12: Olivia  
 Class 13: Maddison Class 14: Ethan  
 School Star: Vesper (Class 6)



### Parents' Meetings

Parents' meetings will take place during the week commencing Monday 23rd October via School Cloud. Each class has been allocated a day during the week with appointments being made available for parents until 6.30pm. Please see the table below with details of the day allocated for each class.

The booking system will go live on Friday and you can book your appointment using the following link:

<https://wynyardprimary.schoolcloud.co.uk>

Should you have any problems, please contact the school office or email [admin@wynyardprimary.org.uk](mailto:admin@wynyardprimary.org.uk).

Class	Class Teacher	Parents' Meeting Day
Nursery	Mrs Smith & Mrs Hunter	Wednesday 25th October
Class 1	Miss Jewson	Thursday 26th October
Class 2	Mrs Hunter & Mrs Fawcett	Wednesday 25th October
Class 3	Mr Llewellyn	Tuesday 24th October
Class 4	Miss Huntley	Thursday 26th October
Class 5	Mrs Barker	Tuesday 24th October
Class 6	Miss Davies	Wednesday 25th October
Class 7	Mrs Coates	Monday 23rd October
Class 8	Mr Hewitt	Tuesday 24th October
Class 9	Miss Highfield	Thursday 26th October
Class 10	Miss Hind	Monday 23rd October
Class 11	Miss Taylor	Monday 23rd October
Class 12	Mrs Hall	Monday 23rd October
Class 13	Miss Honnor/Miss Lowes	Tuesday 24th October
Class 14	Mr Dixon	Thursday 26th October

### Phonics Meeting for Reception Parents

As previously mentioned, we would like to invite all Reception parents to a phonics meeting on Thursday 19th October at 5.30pm in the school hall.