



## West Ashtead Primary School

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Thank you all for your continued efforts to keep our school community safe and sound. We truly appreciate it!

I have seen some fantastic work in school lately. The Year 6s have spent a sticky time making papier mache Greek masks while Year 5 have produced stunning Viking clay work. I have also read some super writing from Eddy, he is obviously working very hard! I have also been very impressed with the quality of language from Year 3s when explaining their maths. Year 5 have also worked well in small teams to produce some very effective dance routines.

### Best in Show

I reminded the children today about our Best in Show competition next Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October. It will be a great way to finish our first half term together and I know the House Captains are eager to get judging!

### NSPCC PANTS

Each class will be discussing the NSPCC's Underwear Rule in our PSHE lessons. The aim is to teach our pupils important safety skills without giving explicit information or telling scary stories. [Talk PANTS & Join Pantosaurus - The Underwear Rule](#)

### Mrs Laura Hall

Mrs Hall will shortly be rejoining us after her maternity leave. She will join Falcons class from 14th December to ensure a smooth transition and handover before the Spring Term.

### Induction Questionnaire

Many thanks to everyone who completed the Induction Questionnaire. The Senior Leadership have collated all the comments and will use them to further improve our induction process for Reception and Year 3.

### Parent Evenings

We have practised and now look forward to our virtual meetings on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> and Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup>. A separate letter and guidance will be sent out next week.

### Coronavirus - Updated Guidelines

Please see the guidance below that has been updated to reflect the alert levels.

[Guidance for parents and carers of children attending out-of-school settings during the coronavirus \(COVID-19\) outbreak](#)

[Protective measures for holiday or after-school clubs and other out-of-school settings for children during the coronavirus \(COVID-19\) outbreak](#)

## **Qwell - online counselling and wellbeing support for parents & carers of children and young people with SEND in Surrey**

Qwell has offered online mental health and wellbeing support for Surrey parents and carers of children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities since June 2020. Qwell is free to use and offers one-to-one online text chat counselling sessions with trained counsellors, along with access to self-help tools and forums. Parents and carers can [register online](#) to access the service.

[Click here](#) to watch a short video about Qwell

With all best wishes for a safe weekend.

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