

# Lizard Newsletter

'Thriving to achieve our best - together'



12th February 2021



### Message from Dr Craddock

Dear Parents and Carers,

Another week in lockdown complete and our final week before we start the half term holiday! Week 6! The highlight this week has been the weather. Will it snow? Will it settle? The odd flurry here and there early on Tuesday, brought much excitement in school, but sadly, a snow day, wasn't to be, much to the disappointment of many of the children I know.

The Prime Minister has also said that the Government will set out a 'route map out of lockdown on Feb 22', provided the coronavirus can be kept under control. A date not far away now and how we all long to hear of when there will be a full return to school and any sort of normality.

We are incredibly proud of how the children have approached their online learning whether in school or at home. The independence and resilience that the children are developing is a delight to watch—indeed, a life skill.

And so, the first half term is coming to an end. From everyone at West Moors Middle School, we hope you have a great half term holiday. Thank you once again for your continued kindness and support. We look forward to seeing everyone in school and/ or online again on Tuesday 23rd February 2021.

### **Celebrating Diversity**

Our diversity flower was created by the children with their colourful, rainbow hands to celebrate differences, facilitating equality and inclusion. At the heart of our school ethos, on our Rights Respecting School journey, we promote the importance of respect and tolerance for each other without prejudice and discrimination, whatever their gender, ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, language or any other status within our school community, local community and more globally, in the world as a whole. Our school mantra, is in a world where you can be absolutely anything, be kind. During our RRS assembly, in LGBT+ History Month, two key UNCRC articles were shared, including:

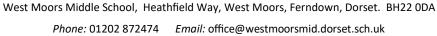
Article 2 – non discrimination

Article 13 – freedom of expression

At an age-appropriate level, we encouraged our children to reflect on identity, gender, and sexuality, sharing ideas on how they can help everyone in our school community feel valued and included. They reflected on ways that they could show acceptance and kindness to all the people in their lives, and they shared what made them proud of who they were as individuals. We are incredibly impressed with how maturely our children have engaged in discussions and the excellent work we are doing as a school to promote diversity. Our school's efforts have been recognised by BBC South Today and Dr Craddock is being interviewed for an upcoming programme, celebrating schools' journeys to promote diversity in the South region.

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## **LGBT+ History Month Display**





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### **Drama Half Termly News**

Over the past 6 weeks, KS3 have been focussing on how to produce a thorough and professional film review. Although this falls into the drama and English curriculum, it is also a cross -curricular topic due to the career element we incorporated whilst discussing what the job role of a film-reviewer is. This assignment was thoroughly enjoyed by all as it included watching a two-hour film of their choice, with parental guidance, at an age appropriate level, and then creating and writing an official report on the film in a true review layout.

I have attached some examples.



Bridget Jones's diary is a hitarious comedy starring Renee Zellweger, Hugh Grant and Collin Firth. The movie starts out as Bridget's single life soon brings her to her mum's house for New Year's Day, dressing in her own words 'like a carpet'

This comedy hits the hearts of many people with the relatability as Bridget stumbles through life with her urban family, Sharon a journalist who like to say F\*\*k a lot, Jude who is high up in the finance world but spends most of her time crying in the toilets over her ng-good boyfriend (vile Richard). Tom who had a one hit wonder back in the 80's and is a confirmed gay.

This film is in my opinion a masterpiece of a women's mind. Bridget is at a point in her life where she decides to write a diary. This focusses on things she wants to happen in her life. The diary takes a complete turn when her old boss and child hood friend fight for her attention.



The story is written by Helen Fielding and her characters in the novel and movie are based on her real friends and are a mixture of people she has met in her life

- Renee Zellweger (Bridget Jones) Colin Firth (Mark Darcy)
- Hugh Brant (Daniel Cleaver)
- Sally Phillips (Shazzer)
- James Callis (Tom)
- Shirley Henderson (Jude) Gemma Jones (Mrs. Jones)
- Jim Broadbent (Mr. Jones)
- Sharon Maguire (Director)







Released 12 July 2007 Who will win? The Dark Lord or the boy who lived... Main Cast (and other films/TV shows

they have been in): Duniel Radciffe-The Plantuck is mo

Emma Watson-Beauty and the Beast

Rupert Grint Fostman Pat The Mo-

Ralph Flermes-Skyfall

Michael Gambon-Paddingtor

Helena Bonham Carter-Cindere la

Implete Staunton-Malefinant

Cooke Lynch-G.B.F

Gary Clang-Kung Fu Panda 2

Maggie Smith-Sister Act

Aulie Walters-Marema Mia

Watson, Rupert Grint and Ralph Fiennes

Directed by: David Yates

### Good points:

arry Enties and the Order of the Physics

The actors are all very believable and

The plot becomes clearer as the film soes

### Bad points:

guidhave liked to be in the film

The film does contain some bad language

Wy favourite part is in the middle of the film when in a Dumbledore's Army les Overall, I think Harry Potter and the Order termione Defeats Ron with the stanning of the Phoenix is a wonderful film and is spell, Stupely. definitely worth watching.

Overall Opinion:

Summary:

Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix, based on the original book by J.K.Rowling, is about a fifteen-year-old boy rarsed Harry Potter (played by Daniel Raddiffe) who

attended Hogwarts **whol** of witchcraft and eizardry. But it warn't always easy, especial

eith Professor Dalores <mark>Litzbridge (</mark>played by

melda Staunton) and the Winistry of Magic interfering at Hopearts. As a baby, Herry an

his parents were attacked by an exil wizard.

ttack, Lord Voldemort went into hiding and larry was placed in the care of his aunt and

Harry was placed in the case of this and and uncle. At the age of 11, Herry began attending Hopwarts adjugiof witchcost and wisardry where he went on crazy advertises with his best friends herrinizes Grange [ Jobyed by Ern ma Wishoo] and Ron Timusbu (played by Rapert Gigg). This year, herry was attacked by Grangering conserved by Lond Viderman and almost got expelled from Hopwarts.

called Lord Voldersort (played by Ralph lermen). Unfortunately, (Supp. purents were

killed, however he was protected by his nother's love and so survived. After this



Elle Evans-Joey King:

Noah Flynn-Jacob Elordi

lachel- Meganne Young

Brad Evans-Carson White Sara Flunn, Molly Rinewald



This film is a 2018 American teen romance cornedy, which was written and also directed by Vince Marcello. The kissing booth was released on Netflix on the 11<sup>th</sup> of May 2018 and this film was based off of a novel written by Beth Regides. The film is about a young teenaged girl (Elle Evans) who has a b (Lee Flynn) and they have a set of rules, but Elle brea number nine as she falls in love with Lee's older brother, Noal Flynn, they kissed for the first time at the kissing booth at the right, they state to the interest of the transfer of the find raising fair. They decided to keep their relationship a secret but then Lee found out and didn't want anything to do with either Noah or Elle. Lee walks into the arcade and Elle is already there, they ended up dancing together like they always have and Lee forgave Ele. Lee, his girlfriend flachel and Ele all go to prom together, there is a huge memory lane with everyone's photos on the wall. The final photo was of the kissing booth, Noah emerged from behind the photo and in front of everyone, confessed his love for Elie. Finally, Elie confesses her love to Noah and he has to go off to collage so they wave goodbye in the airport.



This film is rated a 12, but a in a few other revie ople think it should be at least a 15.

rsonally, I think this is a really great movie but many people add disagree with me. For example, one person was going on about how 'cringe' it is as well as how un-original it was. On ly people would agree with me, a couple ople have said that it is their favourite movie, and no matter w many times they would watch it, they would never get ared of it



would give this film a 4/5. The reason I would give this film 4 stars is because although I love this movie, a few parts of it ren't the best. It can be quite 'griggy' in parts, but overall it's



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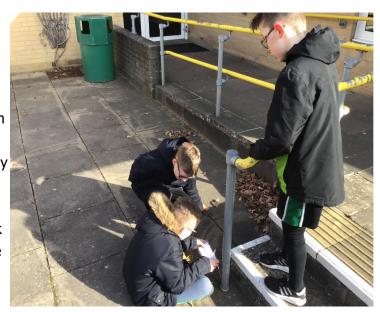
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### **Careers Half Termly News**

This half term KS3 have been exceptionally engrossed in researching a career that interests them. They were given various aspects of a career to research and directions to guide them through their understanding: Professional roles, wages, benefits, qualifications were all thoroughly researched. They then had to report back in the format of either a power point or word document. The projects are now coming in thick and fast and I am thoroughly impressed with the progress, creativity and effort that our KS3 have made.



### **Offline Friday**

This afternoon the children enjoyed a variety of activities both indoors and outside. Craft activities and the Treasure Hunt was a huge hit with all the children.



# School Year: Term Dates & Holidays 2020/21 Spring Term 2021:

Term starts for students on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January Term ends on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February

Term starts for students on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February Term ends on Wednesday 31 st March 2021

### **Summer Term 2021:**

Term starts for students on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April Bank Holiday: Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May school closed Term ends on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May Term starts for students on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> June Term ends on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> July

### **THANK YOU!**

Thank you once again for your continued support with the COVID guidance. We are all working together on this, following the guidance given, to keep our school community safe. It is appreciated by the whole West Moors Middle School team.





**Finally.....**For the latest news and updates and to see more photos of our children learning, please follow us on twitter

Inset Days: Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2021 Thursday 1st April 2021 Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2021

### **NEWS**

We have now launched our new WMMS facebook page. Please visit us @ click here



