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FROM THE HEADTEACHER...

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the end of our first half term, it has been wonderful to see how children are getting fully immersed in their respective class topics and what great learning has gone on. Included in School Development Plan this year is a focus area of enhancing the learning environment (inside and out) and I know how proud children are of their beautiful work on display around the whole school which many of you will have seen during the parent consultation meetings. Over the holiday we are having some additional playground markings as a result of Mrs. Clarke's successful grant application which I'm sure will really enhance the outdoor space!

I must congratulate all the children who took part in cross country competitions this week – what a triumph! The children's enthusiasm and determination led to some incredible performances by individuals and year group teams so well done to all! Our sports leader, Miss. Matthews, is rightly delighted! We will certainly be celebrating tomorrow in our special celebration service.

I wish you all a very happy and restful half term holiday and look forward to seeing you on Tuesday 31st October (INSET day on 30th).

Sarah Joskey, Headteacher

CLASS NEWS!

Reception This week we have been revising the phonemes /s/a/t/i/p/n/m/d/and their formation. We have also been learning how to read and spell some sight words. Mrs Hart has displayed our wonderful self-portraits in the classroom.

Year 1 This week Year 1 have been learning about 2D and 3D shapes. We have been busy writing our final stories about going to the beach and continuing to work hard learning new sounds in phonics.

Year 2- Year 2 have been thinking about things which are living and non-living and asking some super questions about whether things may once have been alive. We have also been considering the differences between towns, seaside areas and the countryside.

Year 3 We had a fantastic time at Farmer Nick's kitchen on Monday! Lots of healthy dips were made by the children and it has to be said the tractor ride was, as always, amazing!

Year 4 This week Year 4 have been learning the formal written methods for subtraction. In geography we have been testing our knowledge of European capital cities, and in literacy we have been busy writing our own versions of 'King of the Birds'. You may also have heard our tuneful voices resonating across Wrighton, as we've been rehearsing our 'Raise the Roof' songs!

Year 5 I was delighted with the confidence that the children demonstrated in their class service on Monday. The children spoke clearly and with a great deal of enthusiasm.

Year 6 The children have created their final piece of writing based on the story that we have been reading. I have been really impressed with the way that children have applied their sentence structure knowledge to their writing as well as using a range of punctuation.

Governor Elections

Being a school governor can be a very rewarding experience as the governors play a huge part in the success of the school through their important 'behind the scenes' work. We are currently recruiting for two parent governors. Please consider putting yourself forward for election! It is a very exciting time for Wrighton Church of England Primary and being a governor is a great way to contribute to our school. Within the Governing Body we have need of a wide range of skills and governors serve on different committees which are currently: Personnel, Finance, Curriculum and Premises. In particular someone with experience in estates or change management would be particularly useful although all skills are welcomed! Do feel free to speak to me if you would like any further information. Additional information and election forms are being sent out with this newsletter and the deadline for nominations is Thursday 2nd November.

KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY IN TERMS 1 & 2

October

23-27th October – Half Term Holiday

Monday 30th October - INSET

Tuesday 31st October – all return to school

November

Fri 3rd Nov - PTA Fireworks, Wrighton Rec
(details in the PTA section)

Friday 10th November – PTA Film Night

Friday 17th November – Children in Need

December

Fri 8th December - School Christmas Fayre

CERTIFICATES AWARDED

Year 3

Jacob Field for being able to explain exactly how he arrives at an answer in maths.

Max Greengrass for such a huge improvement in effort

Reggie Neck for listening really well in swimming and improving breast stroke

Henry Swan for a fantastic attitude to maths!

Year 2

Excellent progress in their Bonds and Badges:

Noah Branton. Eden Walker, Katie Ledbury and Declan Wall

8 children achieved a 'Gold' award in the spelling quiz

4 children received a 'Silver' award in the spelling quiz

14 children received Reading Merits

Year 4

Chess Award - Francis Campbell

25 Reads - Ryan, Ben D, Phoebe, Ellie S, Robbie, Harry.

Cherish and Nurture, Flourish and Aspire



Bonfire Lunch – Friday 3rd November

There will be a change to the advertised menu on Friday 3rd November – Mrs Grant will be serving a special bonfire lunch – hot dog/vegetarian hot dog, chips, beans/coleslaw and toffee apple flapjack. Advance orders will not be taken, meals will be ordered in the normal way.

Advance Notice School Photos

Tulip Photography will be with us again on **Friday 10th November** for individual and sibling photos. If you have younger siblings who are not yet at school and would like a family photo taken the hall will be open from 8.30am until 9am for this. Please note that family photos will need to finish at 9am sharp to enable us to complete all school photos before lunchtime. If we have an “unhappy” youngster you may be asked to wait until the end of the session to ensure everyone gets a chance to have a photo taken, thank you for your understanding.

PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE WEEK

Y3 visit to Farmer Nick's Kitchen!



Year 1



Field Fun!





PTA News

PTA – Fireworks – Friday 3rd November, Wington Rec

Ticket requests need to be sent to the school office before the half term holiday (Friday 20th Oct 9 am) and tickets will be sent home via your child when we come back to school.

Christmas Fair – Friday 8th December

Do you love to bake? Isobel Mills has very kindly produced a Christmas Cake for our 'Guess the weight of the cake' stall at the annual PTA Christmas Fair for many years. She has now left the school with her youngest moving up to year 7 and we are on the lookout for someone who may be willing to donate a Christmas cake for this year's fair (no obligation to repeat next year!). The Fair will be held on Friday 8th December. If you think you could help please speak to Ruth Wall or Jenny Weeks or let the office know. Thank you!

School Library – open every Monday 3.15pm – 3.30pm – come along with your child.

Clubs

ADVANCE NOTICE: There will be no orchestra on Friday 10th November due to school photos being taken.

LOOKING AHEAD:

Friday 17th November
Children in Need Day

Tuesday 5th December
Whole School Panto trip

Wednesday 6th December
Whole School Christmas Lunch
(further details in due course)
Christmas Jumper Day
(all children are invited to wear a Christmas jumper on this day for a donation of £1 which will be sent to Save the Children)

Parentmail - Coming soon.

Exciting News! We are shortly going to be introducing a new school mobile APP. Watch This Space

- Free for parents to download!
- All school messages will be sent securely
- No need to search through a busy email inbox for important messages
- Read and respond to school messages at work, at home or on the go
- Every message sent arrives as an instant alert on your mobile.

ATTENDANCE

Overall attendance last week:
98.08%

Well done for first place to:

Year 5 – 100%

LETTERS HOME

Maths Event – Wells
Bristol Cathedral

selected Y6
Y6

Children in Need

On Friday 17th November we will be supporting Children in Need by asking the children to wear something **spotty** in exchange for a £1 donation. We will also be raising funds by collecting old £1 coins, which are now out of circulation. So please have a good look in your money boxes or down the back of the sofa to see if you have any hiding! You can bring them into your class teacher from today onwards and we will see which class can find the most!



Change of menu

Tuesday 31st October

There will be a change to the advertised menu on the first day back after the half term holiday.

It will be Pizza Day **not** beef stew.