



Welton Primary School

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Head's start...

Another busy term draws to a close! I know your children have worked incredibly hard over the last seven weeks and deserve a good rest. Each week I have been taking a random selection of topic books and learning logs home to look at and I can say with confidence that your children are producing some excellent pieces of work. This year we are continuing to develop our writing at Welton and it is pleasing for me to report that both the quality and quantity of writing that your children are producing is very impressive. I am certain that their topics have really inspired them to write! As the year goes on I know that they will continue to have great opportunities to write in a cross curricular way and I hope that you will have opportunities to also enjoy what they produce.

On another note completely, I would like to once again remind you that schools are still facing a funding crisis. With news from the government that schools are being provided with an extra £1.3billion over the next two years, it would be easy to believe that schools are now financially secure. Unfortunately, this is not the case. It has been calculated that schools will need at least £2billion in funds to bring funding back in line with where they were in 2015/2016. Of course, since then, schools have seen costs increase with higher numbers of pupils, a 5.5% increase in national insurance contributions, pension increases and a new 0.5% government apprenticeship levy. Added to this cuts to local authority health budgets and extended services grants have meant that schools are taking on more challenges and are having to pay for additional support such as speech and language consultants and educational psychologists that would have been part funded in the past. The truth is that 88% of schools will still face real term cuts of 8% to their budgets by 2019 which equates to, on average, £339 loss for every primary age pupil and £477 loss for every secondary age pupil in the country. And this is where you as parents can help. The Autumn budget is on the 22nd November and now is the time to make voices heard. The hashtag #telltethechancellor is making positive waves across social media as is the website schoolcuts.org.uk which highlights just how much each school is set to lose. There is also an upcoming meeting that you might wish to attend, which will highlight the issues at a local level - more details in this newsletter. Please make your voice heard. With thanks for your support, Mr Snell

Newsletter 3 October 20th 2017

Funding Meeting - Parents invited!

BANES branch of the National Association of Head Teachers (NAHT) together with other teaching unions have arranged a meeting to discuss the implications of the funding crisis on schools within our region. A panel of Head Teachers together with at least two national speakers will be presenting from 6pm to 7.30pm at Norton Hill Secondary school. Parents are welcome to join the event.

School Tuck Shop

The tuck shop is proving very popular! Don't forget that delicious healthy snacks are available from 20p!

PTFA fundraising

You can help to raise money for the PTFA with the click of a mouse! Simply visit easyfundraising.org.uk to find out more about how shopping online can raise money for school without spending a penny extra! So far we have raised £33.95 since September! To register visit www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/welton-primary-school-ptfa where you can also find out how to install the donation reminder onto your PC or MAC and never miss a donation opportunity, or how to install the app on a tablet or smart phone.



Information for all

Don't forget that there are three very useful websites that provide support for you. If you would like family and childcare information visit: www.bathnes1bd.org.uk

If you would like advice about special educational needs or disabilities visit: www.rainbowresource.org.uk

If you are, or care for, an adult who needs support to live a full and independent life visit: www.wellbeingoptions.co.uk

Maths Week

Maths week is coming on w/b 6th November when your child will be taking part in fun maths activities!



Dates for your diary:

Mon 30th Oct	FIRST DAY OF TERM 2
Mon 30th–Fri 3rd	Year 6 camp to Heatree
w/b 6th Nov	Maths week
Mon 6th Nov	PTFA meeting 7.30pm
Weds 8th Nov	YR Maths meeting for parents 5.30pm - details to follow
Weds 8th Nov	NAHT/Union funding crisis meeting - parents welcome 6pm Norton Hill School
Thurs 9th Nov	Small Y4 singing group to perform at launch of WW1 Goldies event in Bath
Fri 10th Nov	PTFA quiz night for parents
Mon 13th Nov	Parents Evening week - details to follow after half term
Fri 17th Nov	Children in Need
Fri 17th Nov	YR, Y1, Y2 cinema visit
Sat 2nd Dec	School Christmas Fayre
Tues 5th Dec	Rocksteady concert for parents of pupils taking lessons 2.30pm School Hall
Weds 6th Dec	Christmas dinner day
Thurs 14th Dec	KS1 and KS2 School Christmas Shows at Somervale eve. Times TBC.
Fri 15th Dec	LAST DAY TERM 2
Tues 2nd Jan	FIRST DAY TERM 3



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www.bathmuseumsweek.co.uk

PALLADIUM
Midsomer Norton Town Hall
Saturday 28th October 2017

Family Showcase - 2.30pm

SMURFS
THE LOST VILLAGE

Evening Showcase - 7.30pm

ACADEMY AWARD WINNERS
MORGAN FREEMAN MICHAEL CAINE ALAN ARKIN

GOING IN STYLE

£5 Adults, £3 Children, £12 Family Tickets (2 Adults, 2 Children)
Cinema refreshments available from the fully licensed bar
Tickets available in advance or on the door - subject to availability



Wednesday 25 October 2017

Free!

3.30 - 5pm



Check in from 3.30pm at the Temple of Minerva in the Botanical Gardens, Royal Victoria Park, Bath; and meet the Friends of the Botanical Gardens.

Enjoy ghoulish games, spooky activities and a short trail up & down the slopes and steps of the creepy walkway in the Great Dell.

Collect 11 stamps each with a spooky letter to win a small prize!



Free!

Put on your ghostly gear and come and join us!
All children to be accompanied by a responsible adult

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Latest information:
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