



Welton Primary School

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Head's start...

It's been a busy couple of weeks since the beginning of this term with a whole range of exciting activities and events having already taken place. The Year 6s had a wonderful week at Heatree Activity Centre on Dartmoor last week. The children really embraced the challenging activities and all who went said they had a hugely memorable experience - do take a look at the wonderful pictures on their class blog (<http://2017eagleclass.primaryblogger.co.uk>).

We have had a number of exciting visitors to school including a real life archaeologist who shared his work with our Year 3 class. Representatives from TSB visited this week as part of our academy wide maths week to talk to our Year 5 and 6 children about the importance of being careful with money - and the differences between needs and wants! A group of Year 4 children who volunteered to take part in a singing event with me were treated to a visit from a BBC reporter complete with film crew. You may have seen some of them on Points West this week! It has also been a very busy sporting week too with our school netball team performing brilliantly in their first home match beating the opposition 6-0. Our school football team were also in action as they took part in the annual inter-primary school tournament at Writhlington. Although they didn't win any trophies this year, they are quickly becoming a great team unit and we are confident that it won't be long before they start challenging the top teams from the bigger primary schools! As you can see, the children have already had lots of wonderful opportunities over the last 10 days with lots more planned for the rest of this term. With thanks for your continued support, Mr Snell.

Severe Weather

As the winter approaches it is important to remind you that we will endeavour to keep the school open during periods of severe weather. Any alterations to the school day will be firstly communicated through the school text messaging service. Do please ensure we have an up to date mobile number to ensure you receive any important updates! Any changes to school opening will also be displayed on the school website and the BANES school closure web page: www.bathnes.gov.uk/school-closures

Easyfundraising

Don't forget that you can raise money for the school by registering with easyfundraising. Once your details have been registered, the school get a percentage of your online spending with sites such as Amazon, Tesco, Ebay etc, at no cost to you! We have already managed to raise over £50 in the last few weeks thanks to the parents and staff who have already registered. See details overleaf. Free money!

PE kits

Please ensure your child has a pair of trainers for outdoor PE sessions. Daps are only suitable for indoor PE as they get wet very quickly at this time of year.

JoJo bows

We would recommend that children, especially those in KS1, do not wear JoJo bows to school as they make it very difficult for the child to concentrate on their learning. Thank you.

Norovirus and Infections

Please make sure you read the NHS information in this newsletter about how to handle winter infections.

Christmas Fayre - Saturday 2nd Dec 1-4pm

Plans are well underway for our upcoming PTFA Christmas Fayre! This is always a hugely popular event and this year is shaping up to be another cracker! There will be a range of wonderful stalls from local traders together with activities, food, a grand raffle (with amazing prizes including a 2nd Generation Amazon Echo Dot!) and, of course, a visit by Father Christmas himself! We are also planning on having a Christmas Jumper stall so if you have any 'old' Christmas jumpers that your child has grown out of, we would very much like to have them to sell at the Fayre. Please feel free to bring in any that you find at the back of your wardrobes! With thanks.



DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH AWARD



Dates for your diary:

Fri 10th Nov	PTFA quiz night for parents
Mon 13th Nov	Midsomer Norton Carnival
Tues 14th Nov	Parents Evening for all classes 3.30pm–7pm
Weds 15th Nov	Parents Evening for YR, Y2, Y4, Y5, Y6 3.30pm-5pm
Thurs 16th Nov	Parents Evening for Y1, Y3 3.30pm-5pm
Thurs 16th Nov	Children in Need at Welton - children welcome to dress in dots for £1 donation
Fri 17th Nov	YR, Y1, Y2 cinema visit (note we are celebrating Children in Need on Thurs)
Mon 20th Nov	Year 4 Gallery of work afternoon 1-3pm - details to follow
Fri 24th Nov	Free book swap 1pm - we need donations of unwanted KS2 books please.
Sat 2nd Dec	School Christmas Fayre 1-4pm in school hall/dining room
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	Welton Awards and Head teachers' Tea Party - Invitations to follow
Fri 15th Dec	LAST DAY TERM 2
Tues 2nd Jan	FIRST DAY TERM 3

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Stop norovirus spreading this winter

Norovirus, sometimes known as the 'winter vomiting bug', is the **most common stomach bug** in the UK, affecting people of all ages. It is **highly contagious** and is transmitted by contact with contaminated surfaces, an infected person, or consumption of contaminated food or water.

The symptoms of norovirus are very distinctive – people often report a sudden onset of **nausea** followed by **projectile vomiting and watery diarrhoea**.



Good hand hygiene is important to stop the spread of the virus.

People are advised to:

- Wash their hands thoroughly using soap and water and drying them after using the toilet, before preparing food and eating
- Not rely on alcohol gels as these do not kill the virus

An infection with norovirus is self-limiting and most people will make a full recovery in 1-2 days. It is important to keep hydrated – especially children and the elderly.

Do not visit either A&E or GPs with symptoms as this may spread the virus.

Further information and advice is available from NHS 111, including an online symptom checker at [nhs.uk](https://www.nhs.uk).