



Welton Primary School

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Head's start...

I'm not sure where the time is going! We're heading towards the end of Term 1 already and it only feels like yesterday since we started back! I have been looking through some of your children's work books over the last week, as well as spending time in the classrooms. I am so impressed with the team here as they clearly care so much about providing the best for your children. The quality of work that your children are producing is second to none with some really interesting work already covered this term. I hope your children talk positively about their topics as they should be very proud of their achievements to date...

As we race towards the end of term I must tell you that two of our wonderful team will be retiring on the last day. Firstly, School Meals Supervisory Assistant Mrs Chiswell will be leaving us having worked here for many years! She has been a reliable and brilliant member of the lunch team who has worked tirelessly to ensure Welton children have a safe and happy lunchtime each and every day. We will also be saying goodbye to Teaching Assistant extraordinaire Mrs Rogers who has also been at Welton for 14 years. I can safely say that the school will not be the same without her - her commitment to helping provide the very best for the children, particularly in reception class, has been exemplary and her kindness and sense of humour will definitely be missed. We thank them both for their years of hard work! As both these roles are pivotal to the safe running of the school we will be ensuring that these positions are filled and we will let you know as soon as possible who will be replacing them.

In the meantime, thank you for your continued support. Our Open Day yesterday for prospective parents was a well attended event with many potential new parents making a point of saying how positive comments are about the school. We thank you for that! Mr Snell

Physical Activity

As you are no doubt aware, we really value opportunities to get active, which is why all classes will soon be taking part in a daily physical activity session. The simple idea here is that at any time in the day, rain or shine, the children will go outside and spend 5 minutes running. This will not only improve their physical fitness (that's 25 minutes a week!) but the exercise will also improve concentration when they return to school. A win-win!

Harvest

Many thanks for all your donations to our harvest appeal. We have bagged and boxed the food ready to be collected by the local Foodbank.

Wanted!

Mrs Audritt would like donations of: toy cars, toy insects/bugs and dollies for her YR classroom. Please send them in if you can!

Silver Smartie Challenge

You should have now received information and a tube of Smarties for our latest fundraising challenge! Over the next three weeks we're challenging the children of Welton to earn as many 20p coins as they can by completing tasks, chores and activities for friends and family. They can then collect their 20p pieces in the empty Smarties tube and return to school by Monday 5th November. With thanks to the wonderful Welton PTFA and Andrews estate agents in Midsomer Norton for sponsoring the challenge! We hope your child raises lots of 20ps!



Upcoming PTFA dates

This Friday is the PTFA Annual General Meeting at 2.30pm in the school hall. While an AGM doesn't always fill people with excitement, there will be free tea, coffee and cake to entice you and this will be a brilliant opportunity to find out about the successes of the previous 12 months together with a chance to hear where your donations and money have been spent for the benefit of your children. Do please come along if you can - the meeting will be finished in time for you to collect your children!

Also, to let you know that we will once again be taking clothing and other donations for the 'Rags to Riches' appeal. This will be on Monday 12th November.

Pupil Premium Grant

Is your child eligible for the Pupil Premium Grant? This could be an extra £1300 towards your child's education if you are entitled to certain benefits. Contact the BANES helpline on 01225 394317 for more information.



Dates for your diary:

Tues 15th Oct	Year 4 trip to 'We the Curious' Bristol
Fri 19th Oct	Awards assembly 9.10am - details/invitations sent
Fri 19th Oct	PTFA Annual General Meeting 2.30pm school hall + refreshments. All welcome!
Mon 22nd Oct	Head Teacher's Tea Party 2.30pm - invitations sent (note change of date!)
Mon 22nd Oct	Y6 Camp at Heatree Activity Centre until Friday 26th October.
Fri 26th Oct	LAST DAY TERM 1
Weds 31st Oct	DEADLINE FOR Y6 SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS - BANES
Mon 5th Nov	FIRST DAY TERM 2
Weds 7th Nov	PTFA meeting in the school hall, 7.30pm. All welcome to help plan events.
Mon 12th Nov	National Anti-Bullying Week - theme: Choose Respect.
Mon 12th Nov	UK Parliament Week - details to follow of activities in school
Mon 12th Nov	Midsomer Norton Carnival
Fri 16th Nov	PTFA Quiz Night 7.30pm –details to follow
Mon 19th Nov	Parents Evening Week. Details to follow including online booking system details.
Fri 30th Nov	PTFA Cake Sale from 2.30pm.
Weds 4th Dec	Flu vaccinations today–details regarding which classes to follow shortly
Fri 14th Dec	Proposed date for school Christmas Fayre - times to be confirmed.
Weds 19th Dec	School Christmas performances at Somervale School (eve) - details to follow!
Fri 21st Dec	Awards assembly and Head Teacher's tea party. Details/invitations to follow.
Fri 21st Dec	LAST DAY TERM 2
Mon 7th Jan	INSET DAY 3 - SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
Tues 8th Jan	FIRST DAY TERM 3



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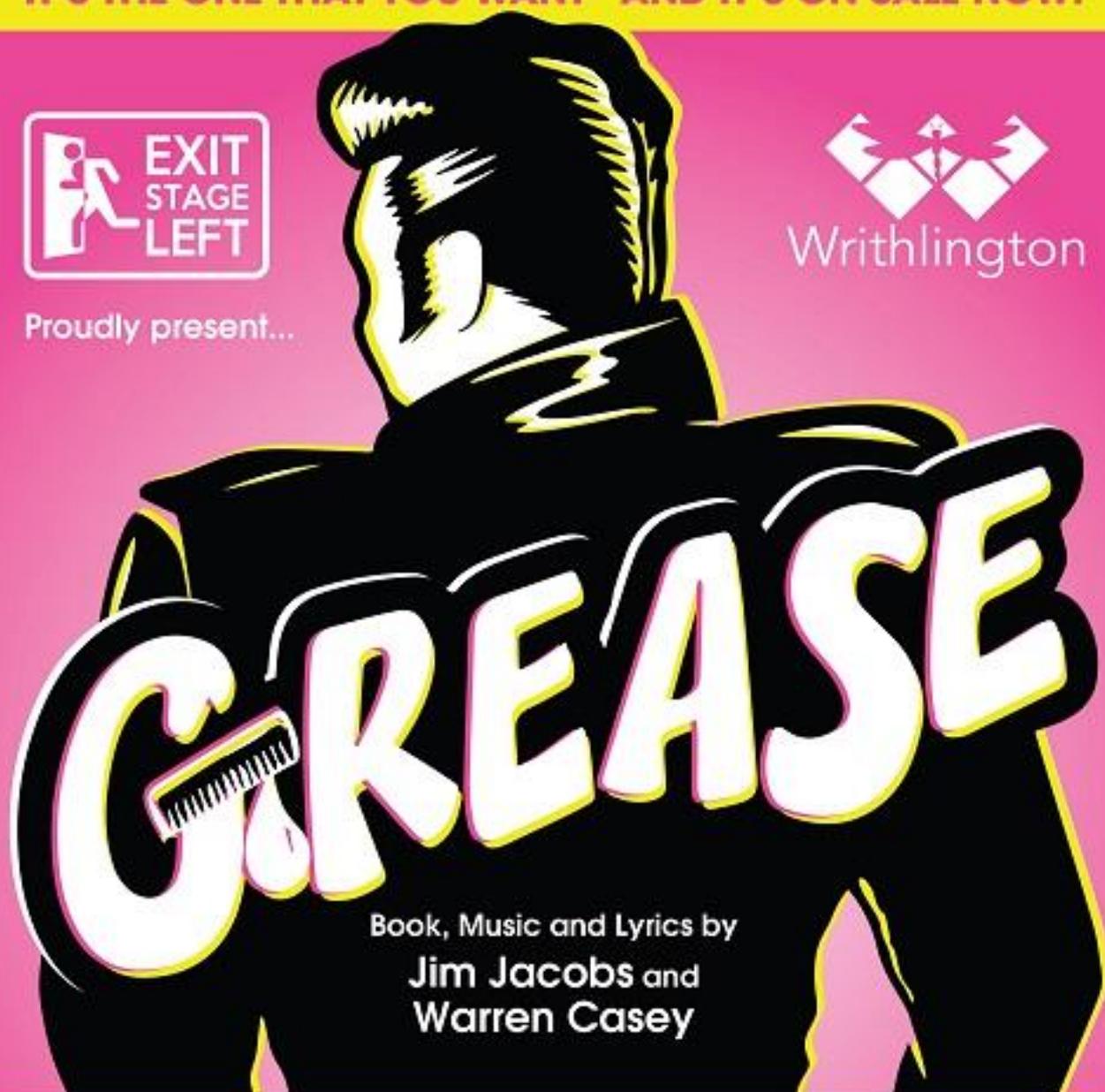
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