
Newsletter 8

Dear Parents

Last week, Winford Primary School sent a football team to the ESFA Small Schools County **Final**. They performed admirably in a competition where the standard was incredibly high. Winning all but one of their group stage games they topped the group and went into the semi-finals. A straight-forward 2-0 victory took our team to the final and a narrow 2-1 loss. The team set a fantastic example, played with spirit and executed some incredible team goals. Congratulations to our team for being in the Top 2 teams in the entire County, and thanks to Mr. A for the continued coaching of the group!

I have also had the pleasure of watching 3 **class assemblies** this week. It has been wonderful to watch and enjoy listening to what pupils have been learning about in school. All classes have assemblies over the next couple of weeks.

We had also planned to **open classrooms** on the morning of Wednesday 7th February for you to see children's books and share their learning. However, we have recognised that many parents have already taken time off of work to see the assemblies, so on reflection, we have decided to re-locate the open classrooms event to term 5. This event date will be released as soon as we are able to and will now be between 3:15-3:45pm to try and further help those parents with work commitments.

Lunchtime Opportunity

We are currently seeking people who might be able to assist us to fulfil roles supervising pupils at lunchtimes. You do not necessarily have to be able to offer all five days, but the post is 12:00-1:20pm and involves play / lunch supervision and clearing the hall afterwards. If you, or someone you know might be interested, please ask them to contact the office with available days and we can offer more information about the role.



Uniform and accessories

We have noticed recently that some branded trainers are being worn into school (not applicable on PE days), along with items of jewellery appearing and fake nails / nail varnish.



Please remember that we expect pupils to be in sensible black footwear, and jewellery (except small stud earrings) or nail decoration are not permitted.

Beginner String Group @Warmley

The West of England Music Alliance are running a new complete Beginner String Group at Warmley Music Centre held at Bernard Lovell School on Saturday mornings 9.30-10.30am. This is a fantastic opportunity for children to learn violin, viola, cello or double bass in a large group at a low cost. The cost is £38 per double term plus instrument hire.

To book a space, visit:

<https://wema.org.uk/register> or for more information call 01454 863147



NSPCWT –SEND Event

North Somerset Parent Carers Working Together (NSPCWT) are the local forum for parent carers to children/young people with additional needs and disabilities.

Their next SEND event is confirmed for Wednesday 23rd October 2024.

Parents, Carers, Family Members and Professionals are all welcome to attend and benefit from the support.

More information will be released across our social media platforms soon.



Lifeskills Visit and Volunteer Opportunity

Lifeskills have created a fantastic realistic village which enabled Winford Primary's pupils to learn how to deal with difficult and potentially dangerous situations, in a safe and supportive environment. The year 6's learnt about road and railway safety, how deal with hazardous scenes set up in kitchens, living rooms and at a substation. They learnt some basic first aid and practiced making emergency phone calls. Each year Lifeskills welcome over 10,000 children to the centre. Lifeskills is based in South Bristol, in the Create Centre and they are currently looking for volunteers to help take children on tours. Volunteering at Lifeskills is really flexible, fun and a great way to learn new skills. If you'd like to visit the centre and learn more about volunteering, call; 0117 922 45 11 or email; volunteer@lifeskills-bristol.org.uk.



Job Vacancy at local business

Local e-commerce brand TOG Knives (owned by a parent) is looking for a PAYE Operations Assistant. 30 - 35hrs/week (school hours OK). Location can be split between home and our offices in Dundry and South Liberty Lane. Pro-rata salary (£27k=37.5hrs/wk). Skills required: Communication, Excel, Admin. Please contact customerservices@togknives.com.

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FAMILY HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AT WELLS CATHEDRAL: SAINTS AND SONGBIRDS

Kick-off the half term holiday with our selection of family trails and creative workshops for children:

Monday 12th February: STITCH A STORY

Explore the incredible Cathedral embroideries then design your own.

Tuesday 13th February: MAKE A BIRD FEEDER

Help to feed our feathered friends through the hungry gap, play a card game, and go on a Cathedral safari!

Wednesday 14th December: CELEBRATE THE SAINTS

Follow our Saints trail this Valentine's Day! You may not find St Valentine in the Cathedral, but there'll be plenty of lovely crafts on offer.

Book online at wellscathedral.org.uk/holidays **Or drop in on the day (subject to availability)**

Craft sessions 10-11:15, 11:15-12:30 and 2-3:15 £2.15 per child / £1.10 if eligible for free school meals; accompanying adults FREE

Please note: children must be accompanied by a responsible adult; only assistance dogs are allowed at our family activities



LSP Vacancies – Part-time/Term-time job opportunities

There are a number of vacancies with the Lighthouse Schools Partnership (LSP) that may be of interest to those looking for a position within the local area. With 30 primary and secondary schools the LSP has a number of opportunities including those which are part time and/or term-time only.

Roles include:

- Premises Assistant/Caretaker (TTO)
- Learning Support Assistant/Learning Partner (various roles)
- Central Team and CPD Administrator (TTO)
- SMSA (Lunchtime Supervisor (P/T, TTO)

For more information, including how to apply, and to see a full list of job opportunities within the Lighthouse Schools Partnership, [visit our vacancies website](#) .

Open The Book

The Open the Book team presented the Bible story John the Baptist Prepares the Way.

Isaiah the prophet talked of a messenger who would prepare the way for the coming of Jesus the Messiah. The messenger is John the Baptist, who appeared in the desert of Judaea. John's role was to prepare the people for the coming of the Messiah. He did this through telling people to repent as the Kingdom of Heaven was near. Baptism was a Jewish ritual-people were immersed in water to symbolise cleansing. John's baptism was a symbol of repentance.

Happy New Year from the OTB team



UPCOMING DATES			
Event	Day	Date	Time
Year 4 Class assembly – Yr4 parents invited	Tuesday	30 th Jan	8:55am
Bikeability Training Year 5 Group 2	Wednesday	31 st Jan	All day
Year 3 Class assembly – Yr3 parents invited	Wednesday	31 st Jan	8:55am
Bikeability Training Year 4 and 5 Groups 2	Thursday	1 st Feb	am Y5-pm Y4
Year 2 Class assembly – Yr2 parents invited	Thursday	1 st Feb	8:55am
Year 6 Class assembly – Yr6 parents invited	Tuesday	6 th Feb	8:55am
End of Term	Friday	9 th Feb	
Inset Day	Monday	19 th Feb	
First day of Term 4	Tuesday	20 th Feb	
ONE CHANGE OF DATE, SEE BELOW			
Apologies for this very slight date change, but we hope that there is enough notice for you to re-arrange diaries. Hopefully it will be dry!			
Sports Day afternoon	Wednesday	22 nd May	1:00 – 3:10 pm

Celebration Assembly Certificates	
<u>Lion Reception</u>	<p>Fleur- for amazing work in phonics this week! Fleur has consistently been the first person to write the words with our new sound in and always does this carefully by sounding them out and using the phonics wall to help her. Fleur also is always ready to learn and is a great role model for everyone in the class. Keep up this great work Fleur!</p> <p>Ralph- for really impressing us in Maths this week! We have been working on our subitising skills which means we can just look at a pattern of dots and know how many there are without counting. Ralph has been able to explain his reasons and is really gaining a deeper understanding of this aspect of Maths. Well done Ralph!</p> <p>Ollie- for amazing work with his reading! Ollie has been practising so much at home and this is really helping him to progress well. Keep up this great work Ollie, it is really paying off!</p> <p>Ahmed- for having an all round great week in Lion Class. Ahmed comes into the classroom smiling every day and is really trying hard to participate in all the things we do. It is so lovely to see, keep this up Ahmed!</p> <p>Also a special mention to the whole class for the amazing assembly that they put on this week for their parents and the rest of the school. It was so lovely to see everyone standing confidently at the front and remembering all their words too!</p>
<u>Leopard Year 1</u>	<p>Leighton for showing great determination with writing. Leighton worked so hard and focussed particularly on his handwriting and presentation to produce great writing that he was proud of! Well done and keep up the super attitude!</p> <p>Jesse for showing great perseverance and attitude with reading and writing. Jesse never gives up despite how challenging it can be sometimes. Well done Jesse and keep up the good work!</p> <p>James - for showing great determination with his handwriting. James is beginning to work hard to improve his handwriting and writing by taking more time and care. Keep this up James!</p> <p>Ada - for showing great determination in her maths this week. Ada has been working particularly hard to understand numbers to 20, using a number line and tens frames. Ada is joining in more confidently and enthusiastically which is great to see!</p>
<u>Panther Year 2</u>	<p>Jax - You have been wonderful coming into the classroom this week and getting on so sensibly with what you need to do. You have been setting a great example to the other children coming into the classroom. Well done!</p> <p>Gussy- You put so much effort into reading independently and answering questions based on what you read. Your attitude was superb, with a lovely 'can do' attitude.</p>

	<p>Lottie and Millie - Firstly, I'm so pleased with the effort you have put in with your spellings recently. You have both succeeded in increasing your score and moved to a new list! Well done. Keep up the great effort. Also, Millie well done for participation in Science and Art this week, it's great to see you enjoying your learning. Lottie, your confidence in speaking in front of the class is growing and you are sharing your thoughts with a smile. Well done to you both.</p> <p>Billy - You have shown a mature way to dealing with feedback this week. I'm very proud of your strong character and ability to make good choices. This has definitely been noticed and I hope to see it continue. Well done Billy, what a great achievement.</p>
<p><u>Tiger</u> <u>Year 3</u></p>	<p>Mila, you have joined tiger class this term and have already settled in beautifully. You have shown such confidence to contribute to our lessons, asking an adult for clarity when needed and giving your best effort in all lessons. We are very lucky to have you in our class, Mila!</p> <p>Jake, you've really impressed me in maths this week. You have shown great perseverance and have challenged yourself to complete the tasks independently. You have really developed your understanding of the 3, 4 and 8 times tables, in both multiplication and division. Well done, Jake!</p>
<p><u>Jaguar</u> <u>Year 4</u></p>	<p>Freddie BB has been writing brilliantly this week as part of our persuasive advert campaigns. He's come up with creative similes and metaphors that make his product sound irresistible!</p> <p>Gabi has been demonstrating so many of our school values this week but she has really impressed us with how quickly she has been ready to learn and listen to the teacher. She's always organised, sitting nicely and giving her full attention. Well done!</p> <p>(From Miss Mason, our student teacher) The whole of Jaguar class for being such a lovely class to work with over the past three and a half weeks. You have made my time at Winford very enjoyable and it has been a pleasure to teach you. I am looking forward to coming back in March and hearing about all of the wonderful things you've been up to. A great big thank you to you all!</p>
<p><u>Lynx</u> <u>Year 5</u></p>	<p>Lydia- you have really impressed me with your fantastic understanding of the column method for multiplication this week in maths. You have shown motivation in your learning and real care and accuracy with a really tricky concept! The way you have applied yourself this week has been brilliant! Well done Lydia!</p> <p>Tilly- You are a true role model for Lynx Class. You are always ready to learn, to help others and to try your absolute best. Your attitude to learning and those around you is a real pleasure to witness. This has shown particularly this week in your motivation and resilience when learning a new concept in maths. You are a star Tilly! Keep making us all smile!</p> <p>This week I would like to nominate all of Lynx class for being so amazing in their class assembly! I was so impressed with the effort that everybody put into learning their lines, bringing in costumes and doing their absolute best during the assembly to ensure that it was a success! I am very proud of you all, and we learnt a lot about the Tudors too!</p>
<p><u>Puma</u> <u>Year 6</u></p>	<p>I have noticed a huge improvement in Ore's 'ready to learn' attitudes this week. He has been arriving in school and getting on with his flashback 4 straight away. When finished, he has been taking the opportunity to have some extra time for independent reading. Ore has also improved on his speed in completing his work successfully, meaning that he is reaching challenge and extension activities more often. Keep it up Ore, there's no limit to what you can achieve!</p> <p>Tom - This week, Tom has made a huge improvement in his readiness to work. I have been so impressed with the amount of learning that Tom has been able to complete and all of the challenges that he's been able to tackle. Keep it up Tom, you're making fantastic progress!</p>