

WELFORD ON AVON PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Parents,

Welcome to this week's Newsletter.

Welford (Binton) Bridge Traffic Lights System

The Binton Bridge will have a two-way traffic light system in place next week. You should still expect delays on the bridge over the next two weeks and may wish to continue to take an alternative route to and from school. Make sure whoever is dropping off/collecting your child is aware of the disruption.

Drop Off Zone

The drop off zone is now in place. The designated area is in front of the KS1 entrance to the school. You are encouraged to use it, to ease congestion at the start of the school day.

School Playing Field

As the lighter evenings continue for the next few weeks, our school playing field will remain open after school. We ask politely, that you supervise your children when they are in the park and respect our school grounds. As a reminder to all, the playing field is school (WCC LA) property and the school maintain its upkeep. While after school clubs are running, we ask that your children only play in the play equipment area.

Parents' Evenings

Parents evening is an opportunity to discuss how your child has settled into their new year group. If you have not yet booked a meeting, please do so, any problems call the School Office. The meetings will be remote and held through our Teams Platform. Please check now, that your TEAMS log in is working, so that any issues can be resolved well ahead of your meeting. Don't leave it to the day.

Monday 23rd October 2023	Parents Evening 3.30pm-6pm (Remote)
Tuesday 24th October 2023	Parents Evening 3.30pm-6pm (Remote)

Teachers will be unable to see parents for Parents Evenings, outside of these allocated days and times.

Harvest Collection

Thank you for your very generous donations to our Harvest collection for the Birmingham City Mission. It is very much appreciated.

Year 5 and Year 6 Kingswood Assembly

Year 5 and Year 6 held an assembly yesterday, to talk about their Kingswood experiences. They clearly had a wonderful time, learning new life skills and growing in confidence. Thank you to all the parents who attended the assembly.

Our next assembly:

Thursday 19th October

Nursery and Reception Harvest Assembly

And for the rest of the term the assemblies are as follows:

Learning Assemblies 9.00am	Autumn Term 2023
Thursday 26th October	Year 1 and Year 2 Harvest Assembly
Thursday 9th November	Reception Wright Assembly
Thursday 16th November	Year 1 / Year 4 Wright
Thursday 23rd November	Year 2 /Year 5 Wright
Thursday 30th November	Year 3 / Year 6 Wright
Friday 8th December	Breakfast with Father Christmas AM (TBC) Children's Christmas Fair- PM (TBC)

A reminder about our Christmas Concerts so you can save the date

Christmas Performances	
Monday 11th December	Year 1 and Year 2 Christmas Assembly/Concert @ 9.15am
Tuesday 12th December	Year 3 and Year 4 Christmas Assembly/Concert @ 9.15am
Wednesday 13th December	Year 5 and Year 6 Christmas Assembly/Concert @ 2.00pm
Thursday 14th December	Reception Christmas Assembly 9.15am
Friday 15th December	Nursery Christmas Assembly/Concert @ 9.15am

Forest School

We have had a wonderful week out at Forest School. Year 1 made smelly potions and Reception went on a nature walk, looking for all the features of Autumn. Year 4 created their own Forest Gnome characters out of natural materials and Year 2 focused on their communication skills using blindfolds. Nursery went on a number hunt, whilst Year 6 played reverse hide and seek.

Mr Deeley- Forest School Lead

Eco Council Meeting

The Climate Council enjoyed our first meeting of the new academic year and all new Councillors were welcomed and given their Council badges. We discussed the need to make our pen re-cycling bin more obvious and to promote its use, as well as how to spend the money that was raised from our pre-loved book sales last year. We are keen to encourage more biodiversity in our Forest School area and therefore will be spending the money on some plants to enhance this. The Council will look at the site and determine where best to plant the new saplings and plants, so that they do not get damaged and will then go out and dig them all in when they arrive. If you have any plants or saplings that you would like to donate, please do contact Ms Cox or Mr Deeley. We look forward to raising some more funds to keep enhancing this area within our school, do look out for our next great fund-raising idea.

Mrs Cox- Eco Climate Lead

Parking

Parents are reminded that you must not park on or opposite the zig zags at any time during the school day, including clubs. Please do not park across or block driveways or park at road junctions, too many cars are parking such that pedestrians are forced into the road, particularly on the corners of Headland Rise and Close. We run an unofficial one-way system, so that all cars drive in from the

Barton Road and leave via the church and ask that parents drive at 10mph. Your cooperation will ensure greater safety for all coming to and leaving school.

Volunteers

If you are interested in volunteering at the school, please contact the school office for more information or speak to your child's class teacher. We are also looking for volunteers to help in the school library. We really need your help so any free time would be greatly appreciated.

FOWS News

Thank you to everyone who supported our Book Fair this week

FOWS AGM

The FOWS AGM will take place Tuesday 7th November at 7.00pm in school. FOWS are always looking for new committee members, if you are interested in joining our wonderful FOWS committee, please get in touch with the office for details. Further details about our wonderful organisation have been sent out today.

THE FOWS TEAM

Conkers.

Thank you to everyone who attended our Conker event today

Welford Wrigglers

Our next 'Welford Wrigglers' will take place next Wednesday 18th October from 9.15am-11.15am.

Picture News:

This week's story: October is Black History Month in the UK. This year's theme is 'Saluting our Sisters', highlighting the role black women have played in shaping history, inspiring change, and building communities in the UK. They looked particularly at one woman, Olive Morris, who was a black community leader and activist, who achieved a great deal throughout her life, becoming a powerful activist in the fight against discrimination in the 1970s.

Question: How does change happen?

Reflection: Olive Morris understood the unfairness of how some Black people were being treated in the 1960s and 70s in the UK and felt that someone had to act. We can learn from Olive's actions, remembering that if we see or experience injustice, we have a choice to do something about it.

British Value connected to this story: Democracy- In the past, some people have been ignored because of the colour. Everyone has a voice and the right to be heard.

Protected Characteristic- Race Nobody should ever be overlooked ignored or treated unfairly because of their colour

UN Rights of a Child: Discrimination: We all have rights no matter who we are, where we live, what we look like or what we think. We should never be treated unfairly for any reason.

'Picture News at Home is attached to this newsletter' so that you can continue this conversation at home.

Wellness @ Welford Information

Warwickshire Family Information Services

In this week's Family Information Service newsletter there is information about National Burn Awareness Day, the half term programme at Warwickshire County Parks, Stoptober and much more!

<https://us5.campaign-archive.com/?u=a24b439ef7022ae0d86f9ca6e&id=05a23af69d>

The Family Information Service (FIS) supports families across Warwickshire with information and signposting. You can get in touch with the team by emailing fis@warwickshire.gov.uk, calling 0800 408 1558 or finding support on www.warwickshire.gov.uk/childrenandfamilies.

You can visit the Cost of Living website to find information and support to manage increased household costs. Please follow the link below

<https://www.costoflivingwarwickshire.co.uk/>

RISE

Please follow the link below to Warwickshire RISE website.

<https://cwrise.com/for-parents>

They provide early support, information and guidance on many emerging mental health issues to children, young people, parents and carers. They can offer:

- consultations with a clinician
- training
- themed coffee mornings focusing on areas of requested support.

If you would like to know more please email rise

risecommunityoffer@covwarkpt.nhs.uk

Welcome to the Recovery and Wellbeing Academy

<https://www.recoveryandwellbeing.co.uk/>

'The Academy offers a wide range of courses and workshops designed to empower your mental health and wellbeing provided by a number of partner organisations working together. Courses are

delivered face to face and online via Zoom. All Academy courses and workshops are completely FREE OF CHARGE and open to anyone over the age of 18 living in Coventry and Warwickshire who wants to better manage or understand their mental health and wellbeing. Friends, family, staff, and carers are encouraged to attend as we strongly believe in learning together to get the most out of the courses on offer.'

Have a great weekend

Mrs Leeman and Staff

TAKEHOME

9 - 15
October



In the news this week

October is Black History Month in the UK. This year's theme is 'Saluting our Sisters' - highlighting the role Black women have played in shaping history, inspiring change, and building communities in the UK. Commemorations will feature Black women, who have made outstanding contributions to many areas including music, literature, fashion, sport, business, politics, and health care.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Share what you already know and understand about Black History Month in the UK.
- > This year's theme is 'Saluting our Sisters'. What are some of the ways that you think we could do this?



Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

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