

Welford on Avon Primary School

13th November, 2020

Dear Parents,

I hope your week has gone well.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the 'Children in Need' appeal. You still have time to donate by following the link below:

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=1729>

You can only access the donations through this link, you will not find it on Parentpay. Also, so you are aware, the donations are anonymous.

Support During Second Lockdown

These challenging times can bring a wide range of worries and concerns from mental health to finances to many of our families. If you need any form of advice or support please contact the school to set up a chat with either myself or Mrs Wretham. We also have details on the school website about organisations that may be able to support. All conversations will be dealt with in confidence.

Remembrance Assembly

Thank you to those who attended our Remembrance Service on Wednesday. We were unable to attend the event at the Village Hall, so instead had a virtual assembly at school. Every class contributed in various ways, from drawings of poppies and providing information about the significance of The Last Post and why it is used in military services, as well as sharing pieces of writing. As usual, Year 5 and Year 6 produced beautiful war poetry and a selection of these were read at the assembly.

I hope you have all had a chance to see the display of the poetry written by Year 5 and Year 6 pupils, which was placed on the gates of the Memorial Hall and around the Maypole Green. In addition, we attached on the gates, a poppy from every class with a personal message.

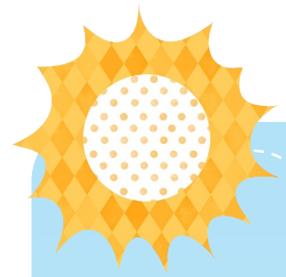
So, while 2020 has brought many hardships and difficulties for all, it was a fitting way to remember those from the local area who made the ultimate sacrifice, giving their lives for their country, so that today we can enjoy our freedom.

FOWS Quiz Night

FOWS will be hosting an online family quiz night hosted by Welford School's very own 'Quizmaster General' Mr Tibbitts, on Friday 20th November at 6.30pm. It is free to enter and will be run via Teams. FOWS have sent out a flyer with details about how to join. Having already experienced Mr Tibbitts quizzes, it should be a fun night.

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 on road junctions. We run an unofficial one-way system so that all cars drive in from 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.



Newsletter No. 10

Last Day of Term

School will close for the Christmas break on Friday 18th December at 12pm. You may pick your child up between 11.45am and 12pm so that we do not have too many parents arriving at the same time. There will be no lunches available on that day. The last day for Star Club will be Thursday 17th December. Term will restart on Tuesday 5th January 2021

Absence

Please phone the school office after gam if your child is going to be absent. This is the official way of reporting an absence. Do not pass messages on to the teachers or post on the Teams App. If you have someone different collecting from Star Club, please phone the office and the message can be passed on to Mrs Dyson.

Attendance expectations

Schools will remain open as long as it is safe to do so.

A small number of pupils may be unable to attend in line with public health advice to self-isolate because:

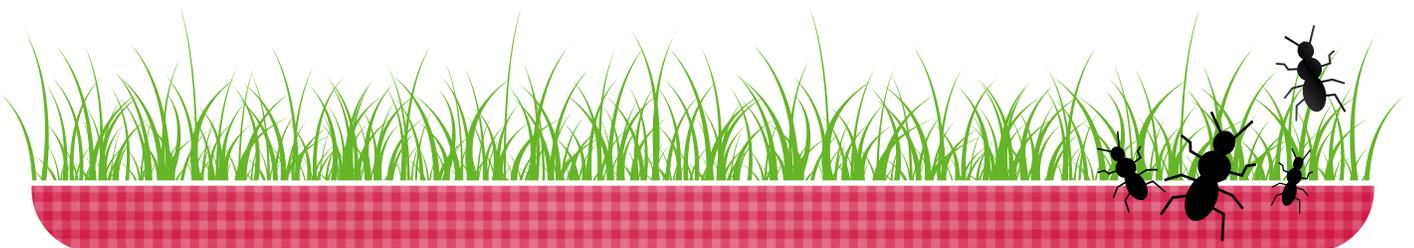
- they have had symptoms or a positive test result themselves,
- they live with someone that has symptoms or has tested positive and are a household contact,
- they are a close contact of someone who has coronavirus (COVID-19),
- You are not permitted to remove your child from school unless they fall into the categories above. If you are worried about your child attending school during this period, you must contact the school to have a conversation. We completely understand your concerns and will work carefully to reach a solution.

However, whatever decision is reached, there is an expectation that every pupil is able to access education during school hours and we MUST be able to contact you and your child during that time.

Please read the Remote Learning Policy carefully it provides several learning options if your child needs to learn from home.

Year 1 and Year 4 Davenport Assembly

Thank you to Year 1 and Year 4 Davenport pupils for their amazing assembly. Year 1 talked about 'The Great Fire of London' and shared their wonderful art work while Year 4 tried out their newly learned French phrases, introducing themselves and counting to 20. They have also created some beautiful art based on 'Window' by Jeannie Baker.



Assemblies for the rest of this term:

Thursday 19th November	Year 3 and Year 6 Wright
Thursday 26th November	Year 2 and Year 5 Owen
Thursday 3rd December	Reception Higgs Assembly
Wednesday 9th December	Year 3 and Year 4 Christmas Assembly
Thursday 10th December	Year 5 and Year 6 Christmas Online Assembly
Tuesday 15th December	Nursery Christmas Online Assembly
Wednesday 16th December	Reception Christmas Online Assembly
Thursday 17th December	Year 1 and Year 2 Christmas Online Assembly
Friday 18th December	Christmas Dress Up Day Whole School Online Christmas End of Term Celebration

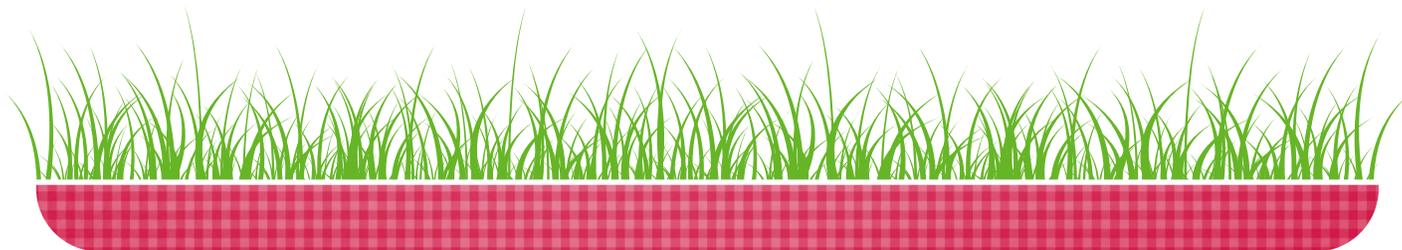
Again, all these assemblies will be held remotely through Teams. An invitation will be uploaded to the Teams platform. Please find the Welford on Avon Team WAP team and click on it. You should then use the join button to access the assembly. As we have a lot of parents accessing, please turn your camera off and mute your screen. You do not have permission to record the assembly, due to GDPR. We look forward to seeing you next week.

Well done to Davenport House who won the House Cup this week for the second week in a row.

Second Lockdown Procedures

We will continue to have the following procedures:

- One-way systems coming on to and leaving the school site,
- Parents are asked to wear masks when on the school site and when queuing to come onto the school site. (if you have an exemption about wearing a mask please let the school know),
- Children should only bring to school what they need, usually a book bag, coat and a lunch box,
- Everyone should use hand sanitiser when entering the school site,
- Please drop off and pick up quickly (communication to be shared through reading records, homework diaries and notes in book bags),
- Pupils will stay in their class bubbles and will eat and play in these groups,
- Some classes have their own toilets, but where this is not possible a one in one out system is in place,
- Pupils will be encouraged to wash their hands regularly.



Class Bubbles or Hubs

It is still important to reduce contact as much as possible and this can be achieved by working in consistent class groups and that we minimise the contact between other groups and people.

By continuing with our COVID19 routines and procedures and more than ever it is paramount that everyone follows the rules both on and off the school site.

The main aim of the second lockdown is to reduce the amount of close contacts so as to try and reduce the R number. This means that you must keep a safe distance of at least 2 metres at all times from people who are outside your household bubble.

Remote Learning Arrangements

If your child is off school for any reason connected to COVID19 and is fit to learn, then should can join the class, via Teams, and receive their lesson live from the classroom. It is expected that they are learning from home for the whole school day so that they receive the input they need from the class teacher. This will ensure that they have the best chance of making progress. Pupils should be online from 9am until 3pm.

Coronavirus Update for School

A few reminders:

- Any positives cases linked to pupils need to be reported to the school. You can email: head2058@welearn365.com or ring/text 07762 152805 (school mobile),
- If you or anyone in your family displays any of the three main symptoms of Coronavirus, then your family must self-isolate and the person displaying the symptoms must get a test. If the test is negative, then you can return to normal but if the test is positive then you must report it to the school and the period of self-isolation will continue,
- Public Health and the Local Authority recommend that if your child is unwell, that they do not come to school as with any other illness. The national guidance still states that you only test if you have the top three symptoms but should you wish you or your child to be tested whilst feeling unwell, then it is supported by Public Health Warwickshire Team and the Local Authority,
- Please be aware of close contact when you are dropping off and picking up. We would strongly advise that you wear a mask when walking down or waiting on Headland Road, due to the narrow paths and high volume of people.

Weekly Awards w/c 9/11/20 - Star of the Week

Nursery	Sophie R For her positive approach to joining in new experiences, testing new foods at snack time and speaking to an audience.
Reception	Fleur For growing in confidence in the class and answering lots of questions.
Year 1	Evelyn G Fantastic enthusiasm towards home learning at the start of the week, joining in with every lesson and completing all the work with a huge smile. Then bringing that enthusiasm back into the classroom.
Year 2	Izzy B Always trying her best, assisting others and contributing great ideas to class discussions.
Year 3	Esme Esme has worked hard on her presentation and handwriting in all lessons this week.
Year 4	Cilla For her fantastic growth mindset this week especially in English and DT. Well done Cilla!
Year 5	Max For working incredibly hard over the last two weeks at home and contributing well during our live lessons.
Year 6	Dylan For showing growth mindset in his work, especially in maths, and for always working hard.

Kindness Award	Ellie (Y3) For always making sure that everyone on the playground has someone to play with.
Friendship Award	Aaron (Y 5) For making kind comments towards others work and showing good friendship values.
Science Award	Harrison (Y1) For his positive attitude towards learning about different Materials in our new science topic. He conducted an experiment around the classroom.
French Award	Oscar (Y4) Oscar was so enthusiastic about learning our Remembrance Day poem and he worked very hard on his pronunciation. Bravo!
Music Award	Joel (Y6) For passing his Grade 5 piano exam with merit – wow!
Maths Award	Archer (Y1) For completing addition problems with missing numbers completely independently and he got every question correct first time!
English Award	Henrietta (Reception) For a superb amount of home reading and applying her phonics knowledge to her writing.
Sport Award	Riley (Y3) For fantastic work in triple jump this week. Riley listened carefully to the teaching points and implemented these in the lesson.

Useful Websites

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/coronavirus-in-children/>

Symptoms of coronavirus in children

The main symptoms of coronavirus are:

- a high temperature.
- a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot, for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours.
- a loss or change to sense of smell or taste – this means they cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal.

What to do if your child has symptoms:

If your child has any of the main symptoms of coronavirus:

- Get a test to check if they have coronavirus as soon as possible.
- You, your child and anyone else you live with should stay at home and not have visitors until you get the test result – only leave your home to have the test.

Anyone in your support bubble should also stay at home if your child has been in close contact with them since their symptoms started or during the 48 hours before they started.

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/get-a-test-to-check-if-you-have-coronavirus/>