

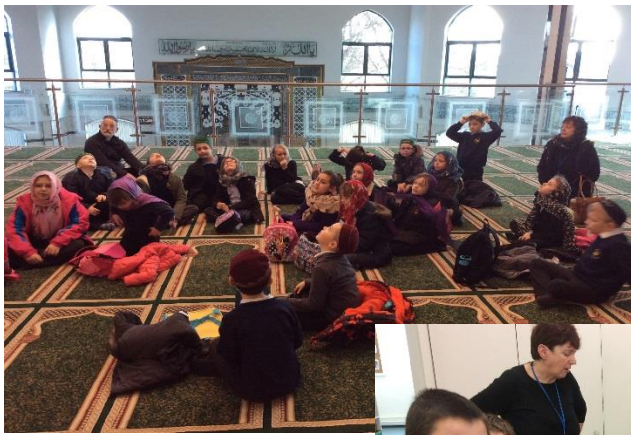
Wisbech St Mary School News



Weekly Newsletter No.43

Friday 26th February 2016

Any questions? Anything you need to tell us about? Any feedback on aspects of the school?
Let us know via talktohead@wisbech-st-mary.cambs.sch.uk 24/7, the office or your class teacher.



On Tuesday Clarkson class spent the day in Peterborough. In the morning we visited the Mosque where we learnt about the values of Muslims and the expectation of kindness to all people. In the afternoon we had an artefact handling session at the museum. The children were brilliantly behaved and I was very proud of them all.

Mrs Ward

WORLD BOOK DAY

Thursday 3rd March 2016

Come to school dressed as your favourite book character

Bring your favourite book to share

Family members – come and join us to read in class with your child at
2:30pm

WACKY READING COMPETITION !!!

Find the strangest place to read a book, ask someone to take your photo and bring it into school.

The crazier the better !!

All entrants to be displayed in our newly refurbished Library

Consultation information about academisation

REMINDER -An introductory letter from the Diocese of Ely Multi Academy Trust (DEMAT), consultation information and a questionnaire was sent home with the oldest child from your household who attends WSM at the end of last term.

Please read the documents carefully and return the completed questionnaire to the school office by the 29th February 2016. Representatives of the DEMAT and school Governing Body will then be available in school at 2:00pm and 5:00 pm to answer any questions you may have.

As always we really value your views and comments and look forward to discussing this exciting move forward for our school.

PTFA Easter Bingo – 6:30pm eyes down 7:00pm – everyone welcome

Please come and join us on Thursday 17th March 2016 to play Bingo and raise funds for our school.

If you have any unwanted presents or other items we could use for prizes please send them in to the school office as soon as possible. We are also collecting smaller items to make up in to hampers, in date tins & packets, sweets, biscuits, candles, toiletries, items suitable for children etc.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Police Safer Parking Support

Sue Clarke, our Community PCSO, has asked me to give you her mobile number and email so that you can contact her directly about any parking or driving issues, including sending her photographs.

Mobile: 07738025220

Email: sue.clarke@cambs.pnn.police.uk

Bad Weather

Please can you ensure that your child has a coat with them every day as a chilly wind does blow across our school grounds at this time of year. We endeavor to take the children outside for breaks whenever possible. Hats and gloves in school are also advisable. If we have snow, and you would like your child to be able to play on the field in it at break times, please provide wellies and a change of indoor shoes. School closures will be advertised on local radio stations, on the Cambridgeshire County Council website and at the school gate/ office.

Payment for Breakfast Club and School meals

Please ensure that payment for Breakfast Club and school meals is made promptly either via Parentpay or the school office. If you need information regarding the online payment system, Parentpay, please speak to Mrs Embling in the office.

Attendance for this week;

There are 190 school days in a year. That leaves 175 days for holidays. Every school day counts! Should your child be unable to attend school for any reason it is important for parents to notify the school, by phone, on each morning of an absence to confirm why they will not be in. This important procedure is in place for safeguarding reasons. I am sure you would agree that it is important for everybody to know where the children are, as soon as possible, on a daily basis.

When a child is absent from school, attainment is affected. He or she misses the lessons provided and is also less prepared for the lessons after his or her return to school. Absence does have a negative effect on social relationships and friendships.

Gold is awarded to Octavia Class with 96.6%.
Silver is awarded to Clarkson Class with 96.2 %
Bronze is awarded to Peckover Class with 95 %.

Winner of the 100% attendance pencil this week is Fenton from Octavia Class
House Team winner is St Margaret house.

Kind regards,

Nina Redhead

Mrs. Nina Redhead – Headteacher

Diary Dates 2015/ 2016 (New events in BOLD)

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| 29.02.16 | Year 5 & 6 to Cadbury World |
| 2.03.16 | Parent Consultation meeting for DEMAT conversion 2:00 & 5:00pm |
| 3.03.16 | World Book Day (Dress Up as a book character) Parents welcome to join classes from 2:30pm |
| 4.03.16 | Year 5 & 6 Peckover & Awdry Collective Worship – 9am parents & families welcome |
| 9.03.16 | Parent, Teacher & Friends Association meeting 4pm |
| 11.03.16 | Year 2 Mowbray Collective Worship – 9am parents & families welcome |
| 14.03.16 | Year 6 Careers Convention |
| 17.03.16 | PTFA Easter Bingo – 6:30pm eyes down 7:00pm – everyone welcome |
| 18.03.16 | Year R Hudson Collective Worship – 9am Parents and friends welcome |
| 21.03.16 | School Easter Disco – 5:30 – 7:00pm |
| 22.03.16 | Parent/ Teacher meetings 1pm – 7pm |

22.03.16	Easter Bonnet, Painted Egg and Easter Garden Competition (see newsletter nearer date for details)
23.03.16	Celebration Collective Worship – 9am – families & friends welcome
24.03.16	End of Spring Term
11.04.16	Teacher Training Day
12.04.16	Back to school Summer Term 8:50am
2.05.16	May Day holiday
9.05.16-12.05.16	Year 6 SAT's tests (please do not book holidays or appointments during this week)
30.05.16 – 3.06.16	Half Term
6.06.16	Teacher Training Day
7.06.16	Back to school 8:50 am
21.07.16	School closes for Summer 3:15pm
05.09.16	School reopens for Autumn term