



Wisbech St Mary CE Academy Newsletter

5th October 2018

Peckover and Awdry visit Ely Cathedral

Year 5 and 6 were invited to Ely cathedral to remember those who lost their lives in the First World War. The children took part in numerous workshops throughout the day and even had the opportunity to watch a theatre production all about how the war affected communication. We finished the day with songs, prayer and a special silence during which poppies fell from the Octagon high above- truly spectacular!



Attendance

Well done to Hudson class who achieved an amazing 99.2%. Alfie B was awarded the pencil and badge for 100% attendance last week—Well done!

Remember that if your child is unwell you should call school before 9.00am and notify the office of the reason for absence. Please be specific so that the reason can be recorded. If your child is absent for more than two days you will need medical evidence (doctor consultation notes, appointment card or prescribed medication) for the absence to be authorised.

Persistent absenteeism could result in a penalty notice. Full details are available on our website in our Attendance Policy. Alternatively please speak to Mrs Embling in the school office.

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Family Cafes

Throughout the year we will be holding Family Cafes for each class. This is an opportunity for you to come in do some crafting with your child, listen to a story and have tea and cake with us. The next Family Café is for Peckover class at 9.00am on Tuesday 20th November in the school hall.

PTFA

The next PTFA meeting is on Tuesday 16th October at 3.15pm in school. Letters have been sent out calling for volunteers for our Fireworks Spectacular on 3rd November. We desperately need volunteers to help to run stalls on the Saturday night from 4.30 until approximately 8pm. This is our biggest fundraiser but it cannot go ahead without help. If you have never helped before now is a good time to join us—come along to the meeting on the 16th October to find out more.



MacMillan Coffee Morning



Thank you to everyone who organised, attended, baked and served tea at our coffee morning for MacMillan. We raised a fabulous £174.50!

Harvest Festival



Please join us in church on Thursday 11th November 9.00am for our Harvest Festival. It would be wonderful if children could bring a small gift of tinned or packet food which will be distributed to families in need in the Wisbech Area.



Firework Spectacular Saturday 3rd November

We will have a non-uniform day in school on Friday 19th October and ask that children bring in a bottle, tin or raffle prize for the event.

Stay and Play in Godfrey Class

Mrs Welbourne would love for the children and parents/carers of Godfrey Class to come and spend some time in the classroom. This will be an opportunity for children to share their learning environment, including their favourite activities so far, and for you as parents/carers to ask any questions you may have. Home made cookies will also be on offer! The next date is:

Monday 15th October

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Lost Property

Please can you name all items of clothing your child wears to school. We are then able to return it to your child if it turns up in Lost Property. An indelible pen used to write on the label or purpose made labels which can be stitched or ironed into garments. The lost property held in school will be on view in the school hall at 3.15pm every day this week. Any clothing not claimed will be donated to charity.

Children in Need

We will be supporting Children in Need on Friday 16th November with a chance for children to wear spotty clothes, buy cakes and generally have a fun day. Donations for non-uniform and cakes will be sold at break time and at 3.15pm. Donations of cakes on the day would be very welcome.



Flu Immunisation

Some parents have enquired about the Flu Immunisations in school. The NHS team will be in school on Wednesday 28th November and this year will cover all children except Year 6. Consent forms will be sent out in due course. The forms will be sent out by email to be completed and sent directly to the NHS team, but paper forms will be available if needed.



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Diary Dates

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| Mon 8th to Wed 10th Oct | Grafham Water residential trip |
| Thursday 11th Oct | Harvest Festival in church 9.00am |
| Friday 19th October | Non Uniform Day |
| Mon 22nd - Fri 26th Oct | Half Term |
| Wednesday 7th Nov | Parent Consultations 3pm to 7pm |
| Thursday 8th Nov | Godfrey, Mowbray and Octavia to Light Cinema |
| Friday 9th Nov | Clarkson, Peckover and Awdry to Light Cinema |
| Friday 16th Nov | Children in Need |
| Monday 19th Nov | Individual School photos |
| Tuesday 20th Nov | Peckover Family Café 9.00am |
| Tuesday 4th Dec | Octavia Family Café 9.00am |
| Wednesday 5th Dec | Christingle in Church 9.00am |
| Friday 7th Dec | Christmas Fair in school hall from 3.15pm |
| Thursday 6th Dec | Octavia visit to Gressenhall museum |
| Tuesday 11th Dec | Christmas lunch in school |
| Thursday 13th Dec | Nativity - Hudson, Godfrey and Mowbray 2pm and 6pm |
| Tuesday 18th Dec | Carol Service in church 6.00pm |
| Wednesday 19th Dec | School closes for Christmas break |
| Monday 7th January | Children return to school for Spring Term |

SATs for Year 6 will take place week commencing Monday 13th May

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