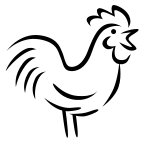




# Wisbech St Mary School News



Weekly Newsletter No.18

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2015

## Class News



After working really hard in the SATs recently, Awdry class had a lovely afternoon this week looking for a place to build a den. The perfect place was found down under the trees at the bottom of the school field. They came up with lots of great ideas and this week's homework is to plan a den in more detail. When the den is built other classes may be able to use it.

## Communication

I have set up a new dedicated email address which I will check daily so that you can contact me with any queries or comments you may have. This is in addition to speaking to myself, Mrs Hunt or Miss Poole at the gate in the morning and the usual appointment making and messages via the main office. I hope you find this extra line of contact useful, especially if you are not able to contact the school during the day.

You can email me 24/7 on [talktohead@wisbech-st-mary.cambs.sch.uk](mailto:talktohead@wisbech-st-mary.cambs.sch.uk), this can also be used to contact teaching staff, these messages will be forwarded to them. This address will generate a quicker response than using direct staff emails which receive many advertising emails every day.

## Sad Goodbye

I am sure you will join me in wishing Mrs Julie Welbourn a happy and healthy retirement. Julie has been School Caretaker for many years and we have all been grateful for the wonderful way she has looked after us all during this time.

We are pleased to welcome Mr Mark Sandell as our new Site Manager and look forward to working with him to continue to improve our school environment.

## **Summer Term**

With warmer weather and the sun starting fill our days, can I remind families to ensure that their children have sun tan lotion on in the morning and come to school with a sun hat and water bottle, so that we can all enjoy being outside.

Please can you ensure your child has appropriate footwear, so they can safely run around on the field (no flip flop type footwear please). Can I also ask that children do not wear jeans for school (if you would like to discuss this, please do not hesitate to make an appointment or see me or a Senior Leadership Team member on the gate in the mornings).

## **Attendance**

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.

Attendance for this week;

Gold is awarded to Mowbray Class with 99.3 %.

Silver is awarded jointly to Awdry and Hudson Class with 94.1 %

Bronze is awarded to Godfrey Class with 91.6%.

Winner of the 100% attendance pencil this week is Bailey from Clarkson Class.

## **House Points**

This week's winners are St Pancras House.

## **Parent Forum**

The next Parent Forum meeting is this Friday at 2.00pm. Please come along and join us.

We hope you have a lovely week.

Yours sincerely,

*Nina Redhead*

Mrs. Nina Redhead – Headteacher

Diary Dates 2015 (New events in BOLD)

<b>08.06.15 – 19.06.15</b>	<b>Year 2 SAT's assessments</b>
<b>10.06.15</b>	<b>Year 5 to Peele School</b>
<b>12.06.15</b>	<b>Parent Forum meeting in school @ 2.00pm</b>
<b>15.06.15 – 19.06.15</b>	<b>Year 1 Phonics assessments</b>
<b>18.06.15</b>	<b>Year 6 writing moderation by Local Authority</b>
<b>19.06.15</b>	<b>Year 2 SAT's Assessment Moderation by Local Authority</b>
<b>19.06.15</b>	<b>Year1 &amp; 2 visit to the Gurdwara in Peterborough</b>
17.06.15	Year 6 Careers Convention
29.06.15 – 10.07.15	Neale Wade Transition period yr6
02.07.15	Sports Day 1pm with Summer Fayre until 4:30pm
03.07.15	Reserve Sports Day 1pm
04.07.15	Rose Fair
06 -09.07.15	Bikability Y6
10.07.15	Wisbech Reads Festival
11.07.15	Wisbech Reads Festival for families
13.07.15 – 17.07.15	Thomas Clarkson Academy Transition Week Yr6
14.07.15	Shuffle Up Morning – whole school
15.07.15	End of year reports to parents
16.07.15	Open afternoon for reports drop in (1pm – 4:30pm)
17.07.15	Year 6 Leavers party followed by whole school disco (details to follow)
20.07.15	Young Supporters Concert at the Royal Festival Hall for Barnados
21.07.15	Yr6 Leavers Service – St Mary's Church 10:00am – families welcome
21.07.15	Whole school Celebration Assembly – families welcome – 2pm
21.07.15	Last day of school year – school ends 3pm
22.07.15	Staff training day
02 - 03.09.15	Staff Training Days
04.09.15	Children return to school