Westbury-on-Severn C of E Primary School Newsletter





Shaping the Spirit, Achieving Together, Learning for life Thursday 20th October 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to everyone who came to our lovely Harvest Service in the church. I hope you enjoyed it as much as I did- the children performed wonderfully and The Food Bank in Cinderford will be receiving your generous donations. Parents' evenings have gone smoothly and I hope you enjoyed the opportunity of seeing your children's work and talking to teachers. If you were unable to make our dates, please contact the office to make a separate appointment. We have reviewed our behaviour policy to reflect our new Trauma Informed approach. This is now published on our website for you to read. Sadly, Anita Coe is giving up her position as Preschool Assistant this week but is remaining as a Friend of Westbury parent so, happily she is still part of our school community. Once we have appointed a new member of staff for Preschool we will let you know.

Anna-Mai Armstrong Headteacher

> Christian Values Our Christian Value this week is THANKFULNESS



During our Mental Health week some of the pupils made gratitude journals, making a list daily of what they are thankful for. We have been recognising that every day we have something to be thankful for.

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Infant Nativity Shows

This year our performances will be on Wednesday 14th December at 6-7pm and Thursday 15th December at 1.30-2.30pm. The Nativity show will be performed by Willow Class, with guest appearances from Chestnut class. Further details will be made available nearer the time.



FAO Parents of YR and Y6 children



As in previous years, Year 6 children are to take part in the screening of Vision and Measuring of height & weight. Reception children will be screened for Vision only. If your child is in Reception or Year 6, they will be bringing home a letter giving details of the programme and how to withdraw your child if you do not want them to take part. The letter will also be emailed to you. The Health & Wellbeing assistants will be carrying out the checks on <u>Wednesday 30th November.</u>

On Monday 10th October we all wore yellow for **Mental Health Awareness Day**. Thank you to everyone who brought in a donation for the charity Young Minds. We raised **£81.79!**

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As usual we will be taking part in the

Teams4U shoebox appeal that we support each year. At the end of term, we will be sending home an information leaflet with instructions for filling the boxes if you are able to. This year we have not been given shoeboxes to fill, so please can you provide one for your items. However, we will be sending a drawstring bag home for you to fill with items such as little gifts, toiletries, etc. Christmas will undoubtedly be very hard for those children living in the worst poverty. With your help, we can bring some joy into their lives. If you are able to help again this year, the shoeboxes will need to be back in school on

Wednesday 16th November.

We are hoping that each family might be able to create one shoebox, but there is no pressure to do so. Thank you again for your support with this worthwhile project.





Half term (End of Term 1) dates are:

22nd October- 30th October with our first day back on 31st October.

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Was your child born between 1 September 2018 and 31 August 2019?



Any child born between the above dates can start school in the school year starting from **1 September 2023**. Gloucestershire County Council co-ordinates the admission of children to primary or infant school therefore you must apply to us to receive a school place for your child by the closing date **15 January 2023**

If you have not heard from us by 1st December you must contact us so we can send you the information you will need to apply for a school place. If you do not apply on time you may not get a place at the school you want.

Key dates November 2022 – You should receive a letter from us advising you how to apply for a school place 15 January 2023 – Deadline for making your application 17 April 2023 – Allocation Day (find out which school we can offer your child)

If you have any queries about applying for a place at primary or infant school for your child, please contact Co-ordinated Admissions.

Co-ordinated Admissions, Shire Hall, Westgate Street, Gloucester, GL1 2TP

Email: school.admissions@gloucestershire.gov.uk Web: www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/schooladmissions

Apply Online!

- It's quick and easy to use
 Confirmation when your
 application is received
- You will see the school
 allocated on 17th April
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