



## Weldon C.E. Primary School

# School Newsletter

Acorn/Reception



### Staff News

We shall be saying goodbye to Mr Hole our Year 4 Teacher as we close for the October holidays. His enthusiasm and energy will be much missed and we all wish him well in his professional development. Mr Hole has had a huge influence in sport at Weldon, over that last few years the children have been given greater opportunities to take part in a wider selection of sports clubs, events and competitions and it is through his passion as PE Subject Lead Teacher that we gained our School Games SILVER AWARD, this is recognition of our teaching commitment, engagement and delivery of competitive school sport at Weldon.

Willow/Year 1



We will be welcoming our new Year 5 Teacher, Mr Chris Barnes, on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October. He will be working with Mr Hole during the last week of term so that there is a smooth transition for our Year 5 children. Mr Barnes will be meeting parents and carers at our two Parent's Evenings next week.

Horsechestnut/Year 2



### School Photographer

Don't forget, Professional School Portraits (PSP) will be visiting school on **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October**.

Pine/Year 3



### Choir

We are delighted to announce that our school Choir will be performing at the O2 Arena as part of a Young Voices Concert. This is an amazing opportunity for the children and they are all very excited to be involved. Tickets for their performance on 1<sup>st</sup> February 2018 are available from the school office but the closing date is Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October.

Maple /Year 4



### Harvest

Acorn Class are to hold a Harvest Assembly on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October at 9.15am when their parents are invited to join us. Please wait by the door in the staff car park and we will open the doors when the children are ready, thank you

Sycamore/Year 5



Children in Year 1 to Year 6 will attend Weldon Church for a Harvest Service at 2pm on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October. If you would like to join us and help escort the children to/from Church then please get in touch with our school office. Due to limited church seating we can only accommodate two parents, carers or friends per class.

Oak/Year 6



If you would like to donate some non-perishable food items for our Harvest collection for Corby Food Bank then they will be gratefully received. Corby Food Bank appreciate tins and packets and children are welcome to bring these into school from Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October.

### **Macmillan Coffee Event**

It was lovely to see so many of you at our Macmillan Coffee Afternoon, thank you for coming along and donating cakes. Our School Council ran a raffle during the week and Megan in Year 4 won the prize of two teddies and a water bottle. In total we raised £209.85 for Macmillan Cancer Charity, so thank you for your support.

### **Book Fair**

Thank you for supporting our Book Fair last week, we earned almost £200 in commission which we will spend on books for our school library. Also, thank you to Mrs Moffatt who came along to help at the Book Fair, your help was much appreciated.

### **Parent Helpers**

We currently have some parents and grandparents coming into school on a regular basis to listen to children read but we would like more. Are you interested and available to give even just one hour a week? If yes, then please make an appointment to meet with Mrs Wildman to find out more. All adults in school do require a DBS (Disclosure and Barring Service) as part of our strict safeguarding of children but we can help organise this with you.

### **Flu Immunisation Consent**

Thank you to those families who have already returned their child's flu immunisation consent form. Our school nurse team will be in school on 9<sup>th</sup> November to administer the nasal spray immunisation.

If you haven't yet returned your child's form please hand this in at the school office, there is the option to decline consent on the form.

### **Christmas**

We are busy planning Christmas events in school and children in Acorn, Willow and Horsechestnut classes will perform their Nativity to families at 2pm on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December and 10am on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December. Tickets will be available to request nearer to the time but due to limited seating space in our hall this needs to be limited to a maximum of 3 tickets per family.

Other Christmas events include:

Disco Night – Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December; Panto to whole school – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December; Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December; Christmas Church Service - Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December; Christmas lunch & wear your Christmas jumper – Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December

### **Dates to Diarise:**

Our school will be closed for Training Days on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October; Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February; and Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2018. We know families also take time off work for our June Rose Day and Sports Day so please diarise June Rose Day is from 1.15pm on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June and Sports Day is from 10am to 12 noon on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July (weather permitting).

We are currently organising a regular monthly collection for the textile recycling as this earns about £80 a month for our PFTA fundraising. We intend to have this as 'the first Wednesday of every month' so please keep saving your recycling for us.

Keep checking our school website calendar for all the activities that take place during our busy school terms.

## Enrichment

School trips are a valuable way to enrich your child's learning in class and Maple Class will be taking part in a PDET Schools Faith Roadshow at Wickstead Park on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October. This trip is fully funded by PDET.

Willow Class and Horsechestnut Class are visiting Warwick Castle on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2017, payment for this trip is requested by Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October, thank you.

## Absence Requests

We wrote to families recently regarding taking children out of school during term time. If you are considering a holiday that means your child/ren will miss school days then please complete a **Leave of Absence Form**, these are available on our school website and in our school entrance. Please be aware Northamptonshire County Council do issue penalty fines if children are absent five days or more in a six-week period.

Our teachers are looking forward to meeting with you at our Parent's Evenings on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October, appointment slips will be sent home with your child/ren by the end of this week. If you haven't yet requested an appointment, please get in touch with your child's teacher.

If there is anything you need to know about our school, or your child's learning, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

**Mrs Lynne Wildman**  
**Headteacher**

