

WESSEX WEEKLY

Friday 2nd February 2018

ASSEMBLY THEME - PEACE

Important Dates

- Thursday 8th February: Yew Class Assembly: 9.15am
- Monday 12th February to Friday 16th February: half-term
- Monday 19th February: Start of new term
- 21st February Internet safety workshop for parents 6.00pm
- Thursday 1st March: World Book Day (information to follow)
- Monday 12th March: Yr 5 Bikeability course (information to follow)
- Wednesday 21st March: Parent Consultation meeting from Reception to Yr 6
- Thursday 22nd March: Parent consultations meeting from Reception to Yr 6
- Thursday 29th March: last day of term

Good News Certificates!

William H. Year 1
Dylan G. Yr 1
Naaishya J. Yr 2
Lewis F. Yr 2
Poppy B. Yr 3
Harvey J. O. Yr 3
Lauren H. Yr 3
Luca H. Yr 4
Paul S. Yr 4
Shannon D. Yr 5
Daniel T. Yr 5
Sophie B. Yr 6
Oliver P. Yr 6



From the Head's Chair

Another busy week at Wessex! Year 3 enjoyed a trip to the Ashmolean Museum where they were praised by the staff there for their knowledge of Ancient Egypt and their impeccable behaviour. Well done Year 3! I have seen some super writing from a few children who showed me a comparison of their work in September to their work now and I'm so impressed with the improvements and the efforts they have been making well done! And of course the fantastic pets of Lime class in their amazing assembly this week. We have also launched our new Friday assembly certificates, with new school values which I will share next week with you in our termly round up.

Finally we had a pupil knocked off their bike last week whilst cycling home, she is recovering well and thank you to everyone who helped and supported her when it happened. There are still a number of parents driving down St Adrian's Close during busy times parking on curbs, blocking driveways, reversing while children are crossing the road. This is a resident's only area and there is no 5 minute waiting rule on these roads. Please can we work together to keep all our children safe.

Have a great weekend and well done to Windsor who are this term's house point winners and who win a Mufti day next Friday 9th February!!



Thank you to all of you who took the time to complete the homework questionnaire last term. There were 118 responses. We have looked at the information you have provided us and will continue to follow the same homework structure for the rest of this academic year.

86% of parents felt the new system was easy to follow and 85% of parents felt there was enough time to complete the homework.

We were pleased that so many of you are accessing mathletics (87%) if you can't access it at home, please let your child's teacher know of any issues, or if we need to provide additional time in school for a child without internet access at home. Fitter future appears less popular, however it is there if you would like to use it.

92% of parents read daily with their child! That is superb!

Thank you so much as reading is so important and is a partnership between home and school.

Not all parents are aware which multiplication table their child is learning, we do put this information on termly reports and your child should know in KS2 what multiplication facts they are learning.

Overall 81% of parents felt the homework was OK to excellent, 19% felt it could be better. We were trying to move away from brain builders but keep a structure that is easy to follow and contains more formal tasks linked to class work and balance it with more creative tasks as well. A number of schools use this approach. There is more formal homework in preparation for secondary schools in Year 6.

Thank you again for providing us with lots of ideas and helpful points as we move forward, we will continue to monitor homework and how it is used across the school.

Pancake Day

**Served With
Vanilla Ice-
Cream
Change of
pudding
Only**

*Tuesday 20th
February*



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