

WESSEX WEEKLY

Friday 4th May

ASSEMBLY THEME – Courage

Important Dates

- ✚ Waltham Place Trip for Holly Class: Tuesday 8th May 2018
- ✚ Maidenhead Synagogue Visit: Thursday 10th May
- ✚ Alder Class Assembly: Thursday 10th May at 9.15am
- ✚ Waltham Place Trip for Birch Class: Tuesday 15th May
- ✚ Waltham Place Trip for Beech Class: Thursday 17th May
- ✚ Ash Class Assembly: Thursday 17th May at 9.15am
- ✚ PTA Film Night: 18th May: 3.20pm to 4.45pm
- ✚ Royal Wedding celebration picnic on Friday 18th May
- ✚ Waltham Place Trip for Hazel Class: Tuesday 22nd May
- ✚ CROWN ESTATES year group trip –Year 4: Tuesday 5th June
- ✚ Year 5 Hooke Court Trip: Wednesday 6th - Friday 8th June
- ✚ Year 6 PGL Osmington Bay Trip: Monday 11th June – Friday 15th June
- ✚ Larch Class Assembly : Wednesday 20th June at 9.15am
- ✚ PTA Summer Fayre: Saturday 23rd June
- ✚ Class Swap Day: Tuesday 3rd July
- ✚ Wessex Learning Journey: Tuesday 3rd July at 3.30pm followed by PTA family barbeque from 3.30 to 5.30pm

From the Head's Chair

It's been a slightly quieter week at Wessex this week. There has been a fantastic assembly from Holly Class and a cricket tournament taking place and all across the school when I walk around I have seen lots of hard work from the children.

Please look out for information regarding our royal wedding picnic and lots of key dates coming out shortly, including the PTA film night and summer fayre and all of our exciting summer term events. Some children have also been working with Mrs Piggott and Mrs Clark to learn a maypole dance for the Cox Green fayre on the 12th of May.

Our new toilets have been fully installed in both reception classes and look fantastic!

And just a reminder to families at school that we can issue food vouchers for Maidenhead foodbank if any families find they need support. Please speak to Louise in the office or Mr Woodbridge for more information.

Have a sunny bank holiday and see you all next Tuesday.

Safeguarding

To ensure we are complying with best practice safeguarding advice we will be changing a few little things around the school.

Firstly the gate to the upper school playground will close in the afternoon after the children have left at 3.30pm. Secondly we are asking parents who come in to assemblies or to watch after school clubs to get a sticker from the office before proceeding out onto the field or onto the hall. We hope you understand the reasons why and to work together to make Wessex school as safe as it can

be.

Nursery Children Fundraising for Kamran Children's Ward

One of our nursery children is having treatment for a Wilms tumour at the John Radcliffe Hospital in Oxford. The parents are currently fundraising for The Kamran Children's Ward at the John Radcliffe Hospital Oxford and are aiming to raise £2000 for toys and medical equipment. As a school we would like to support the family and their fundraising efforts, hence all the children may come to school on Friday 11th May in own clothes for a donation. We will be asking children to put their donation into a bucket as they come into school in the morning.

The Nursery Staff will be arranging a Sponsored Walk for the children in nursery around 4 laps of the field on Friday 11th May at 11am to raise money in aid of the Kamran Children's Ward.

You are very welcome to join your child on the walk if you are able. If you would like a sponsorship form for your family and friends to contribute, please see a member of the Nursery Staff. There will also be a bucket available for donations on the day.

Following the sponsored walk there will be a cake sale organised by the Nursery parents. Please could you bring donations of cakes to the Nursery when you drop your child off at 9am on Friday 11th May.

I know everyone at Wessex will join us in wishing the child and family all their best wishes for a speedy recovery.

Thank you for your support.

Mufti Day

There will be a Mufti Day next Friday on the 11th of May when your children can wear their own clothes in return for a donation of £1 as part of raising funds for Kamran Children's Ward. Thank you for your help.

Holly Class Assembly

Holly Class put on a fantastic class assembly on Thursday morning all about their science topic of plants. All the children spoke with great confidence and enthusiasm about what plants need to grow. Thank you to Mrs Sandhar and the Y3 team for putting together such a lovely assembly.

Making Pancakes!

Mrs Elliott and some of the Y5 children had a superb afternoon learning how to cook pancakes on a fire. The children thoroughly enjoyed this experience and are looking forward to doing more things like this in the future.

Gardening Club

Can we request parents/carers to please help us by donating the following items for the Gardening Club.

- Margarine and ice-cream tubs
- Teapots with flower designs
- Yogurt Pots
- Cardboard Egg Boxes

Thank you very much!

Royal Wedding Picnic!

You are cordially invited to bring your own picnic and attend the Wessex Primary School Royal Wedding Picnic on Friday 18th May as we celebrate the wedding

of Prince Harry to Miss Meghan Markle.

Timings for lunch will be from 12.15pm to 1.30pm for all children.

The children will be able to wear red, white and blue all day on Friday 18th May. Crowns and tiara's are optional, although the children will get the opportunity to make their own in school.

Families can spread out across the school playing field with their children and friends, we ask that due to it being a school day there is no alcohol in family bags!

If it rains the children will have to eat lunch inside so unfortunately we will be unable to accommodate parents and the picnic will be cancelled (this will be confirmed via Parentmail). Therefore, only those Nursery children booked into Lunch Club will be able to stay on until the normal collection time of 1pm. Could we ask parents to enter the school field via the school office where you will be given a visitors sticker on entry. You will be able to enter from 12.10pm and wait outside on the playground to pick your child up as they leave their classrooms.

We look forward to the sun shining brightly and seeing lots of families on Friday 18th May.

Results from the Upper School Inter House Netball festival.

The weather was kind this week and allowed 150 children to participate for their House in the Netball on Friday 4th May.

Y3/4 started the day with a resounding win for Lancaster. The afternoon session was a closer affair with Windsor winning for Y5/6. The points were added

together and Windsor are the champions for 2018!

The children were fantastic, displaying the sporting qualities we encourage in the children with shaking hand as, support for each other and fair play.

Thank you to Mrs Corbett, Mrs Matthews and Mrs Cooke for refereeing.

The Y5/6 House Point store was opened for business on Friday. The stall has been set up by the House Captains who display and 'sell' a range of products that the children can exchange their saved House Points for. It will be open every Friday 12:30 - 1pm. Here are some photographs!

