Wootton Bassett Infants' School Newsletter



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Our School Value for this term is:

We are kind and gentle

Year 2 Fun Run at Noremarsh Junior School

Friday 29th September

Noremarsh Junior School have kindly invited our Year 2 children to part in their annual fun run. Their class teachers have shown them the route which takes them around the school field and the Old Court Play area. There are adult runners that stay with the children and the route is lined with volunteers.

After lunch, the children will walk from the Infants to Noremarsh. Their race will start around 2:10pm. Parents are welcome to watch.

If you are spectating or already collecting children from Noremarsh you may collect your Infant from their class teacher after their race (approx. 2:30pm). All other children will return to the Infants for normal pick up.

If you are able to help walk the children to Noremarsh, please speak to your class teacher.

Children need to wear weather appropriate PE kit to school ensuring they have a coat with them.

Harvest Festival - Wednesday 4th October

The children will be having a dress rehearsal at St Bartholomew's Church on Tuesday 3rd so will be out of school on this morning.

However, we are pleased to invite you to 'Harvest Song' which is being held at the Church. The doors open from 1pm for parents, with the festival starting at 1:30pm.

As in previous years, we are asking for donations of food which will be collected by the Swindon Food Collective (our local food bank). This food is then distributed to families who are in need or struggling financially. They are looking for the following items:

Regular sized Tins, Jars, Bottles, Cartons or Packets of the following:

Potatoes; Meat; Fish; Tomatoes; Soup; Vegetables; Fruit; Puddings; Pasta Sauce; Cereals; Small Jars of Coffee; Tea; Small Bags of Sugar; Biscuits; 1L Bottles of Squash; Washing Up Liquid; Laundry Pods; 2 in 1 Shampoo & Conditioner; Male and Female Deodorants

Please make sure they are unused and in date. We have also been asked not to send pasta, baked beans or shower gel

These can be bought in from Monday 2nd - Friday 6th and put in one of the boxes by both gates.

We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible.

Dates for your Diary

28-09 Yoga starts for Year 2

29-09 MacMillian coffee morning & Open Day

29-09 Yr2 to Noremarsh for Fun Run

03-10 Harvest Festival Rehearsal

04-10 Harvest Festival 1.30pm St Barts

10-10 Parents Evening

11-10 SEN Coffee Morning

12-10 Parents Evening

16-10 Outdoor Learning Day

17-10 TD Day

19-10 TD Day

31-10 Term 2 starts

19-10 School Holidays

30-10 Back to school

30-10 Diversity Day

06-11 Year 2 trip to REME

08-11 Yoga starts for Year 1

15-11 Maths Parents Workshop

17-11 Children in Need (non-uniform)

21-11 Year 1 trip to Cinema

23-11 Year 2 trip to The Watermill

24-11 Non-uniform (chocolate donations)

29-11 PTA Film Night

01-12 Flu Vaccinations

01-12 High Street Christmas Lights

06-12 Westend in Schools 'Sleeping Beauty'

12-12 Reception Nativity

13-12 Reception Nativity

20-12 Break up at 1pm

All enquiries or to report an absence please contact the school office

Tel: 01793 852254

 $\textbf{Email:} \ \, \textbf{admin@woottonbassett-inf.wilts.sch.uk}$





Useful Information for Parents

It has been wonderful having the children in school and we hope they (and you) have settled back into school life. We thought this was an ideal chance to remind you of a few school procedures.

Contact Information - have you moved recently or changed your phone number?

Medical Information - has your child had any change in medical conditions or dietary/allergy requirements?

It is vital that we have the most up to date contact information for you, and medical information for your child. Please email the school office with any changes.

Bookbags - These are not checked regularly, so please hand any correspondence directly to a member of staff. We occasionally put forms and letters in them, so please check them frequently.

Messages/notes - If you have a message for the class teacher it is easier to contact the school office - phone, email or in person and they will pass it on. As you can imagine there is a lot going on first thing in the morning and messages can sometimes get missed.

Lunch - All our children are entitled to a free hot meal. These can be ordered up to 8:50am on the day. Children can also bring a healthy packed lunch. Please remember to cut any grapes length ways and provide a spoon if needed. The children have around 20 minutes to eat their lunch so please bear this in mind with the amount of food you give them.

Clothing - Please send your child into school everyday with weather appropriate clothing. We get them outside as much as possible and don't want them cold or wet! It is also vital that you name EVERYTHING including water bottles, bags, hats etc. We already have a large collection of jumpers & cardigans in lost property (located in each classroom).

Wellies - Now the weather has changed they will not be able to use the outdoor kitchen, digging area or field without a pair of wellies. A named pair can be kept in school.

Facebook - Our PTA have a Facebook group, Friends of Wootton Bassett Infants' School which is a great place to ask questions and share info. Please note this is run by parent volunteers and not the school.

Pick up/collection - Gates open at 2.50pm and parents should wait on the playground until the class teacher dismisses your child/ren at 3pm. If you have someone different collecting your child, you MUST notify the school office in advance as keeping your children safe is our priority.

The school office is open from 8.30am until 4pm. Please remember our door is always open and Miss Lynne & Mrs Farr are more than happy to answer any questions you may have.

Forthcoming School Trips

We will be sending out full information about the trips shortly but wanted to give you a little information including approximate costings.

Monday 6th November Year 2 trip to REME £10 per child

Tuesday 21st November Year 1 trip to the Cinema £8 per child

Thursday 23rd November Year 2 to The Watermill Theatre £19.50 per child

Parents Evening

The teachers will be holding 10 minute parents meetings to discuss your child's progress. You will be sent a link on Monday 6th October at 4pm to book your slot for one of the following sessions:

Tuesday 10th October 4:30 - 6.00 Face to Face

Tuesday 10th October 6.00 - 7.00 Online

Thursday 12th October 3.30 - 6.00 Face to Face

Please arrive prompt for your appointment as the teachers can not extend your time slot.