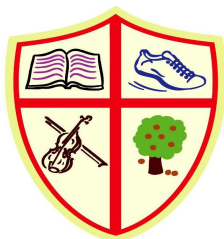


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DEAR PARENTS/CARERS

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**Westbury-on-Severn
CE Primary School**

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It was certainly an unexpected and busy week last week! Our visit from Mrs Mirams of Ofsted was a positive experience for us all. We are not allowed to discuss the outcome of the inspection until the report is ready for publishing. This may take a while, but we will share it as soon as it is ready. It is not uncommon for Ofsted reports to take a while to be published as it has to go through a rigorous process of quality assurance first. Whilst we would hope to share it before the end of this academic year, this is not certain. However, we are looking forward to reading it when it finally arrives.

My grateful thanks to everyone who was able to contribute to the inspection process, especially the children, who once again made us all so very proud. I also want to express my thanks to everyone who made 'Sports Morning' so wonderful. It was so good to see lots of you sharing with us this annual celebration of physical activity and picnicking with the children afterwards. The weather was so wonderful too.

We will be missing most of our current Year 6 children this week as they enjoy a week at Dene Magna, as part of their transition to secondary school. We will also be welcoming the new reception children into school for a few taster sessions this week.

As we draw near to the end of another school year, we are certainly getting busy. Let us all hope the sun continues to shine!

Mr C



**REMEMBER...YOU'VE GOT TO
BE IN IT TO WIN IT!**

SCHOOL GOVERNOR 200 CLUB

Here are the results for our June Governor 200 Club draw. The jackpot number was not sold, so the £40 cash rolls over to an exciting £80 jackpot for our last draw of the academic year in July. At our last School Governor meeting, we agreed funds from our 200 Club will support the cost of new furniture for the school hall at lunch time, so we will be putting £600 towards the costs of new equipment.

We couldn't do this without your continued club support though, and you will see Governors at summer term events selling numbers, so if you want to have a number please sign up before the draw to have a chance of winning or ask Mrs Cox for a subscription form. Don't miss out!

1 st Prize £20:	Nigel Hogg - No 53
2 nd Prize £10:	Jo Walters - No 50
3 rd Prize £5:	Jill Boyce – No 34
4 th Prize £5:	Frances Down - No 60
Jackpot £40:	NOT SOLD - No 99

MONTHLY PRAYER GROUP

We will be holding our next monthly prayer meeting on Monday 2nd July at 3.30pm in the school. These meetings take place on the first Monday of each month - as far as the calendar allows. We welcome everyone who would like to come along to pray for the life of the school. This will be the last prayer meeting of this academic year.

FREE SCHOOL MEALS

Free school meals are an entitlement to any child whose family is in receipt of certain state benefits. Information on eligibility can be found at the following web address:

<http://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/education-and-learning/school-transport-and-free-school-meals/apply-for-free-school-meals/>

I would like to encourage any parents who may be entitled to their child receiving benefits-linked free school meals (FSM), to please take advantage of this offer. Not only will this mean that an added financial pressure is lifted, but you will also be helping the school to provide additional educational provision for your child through the Pupil Premium. Pupil Premium is a specific allocation of funds that a school receives for each child entitled to benefits-linked free school meals. Currently this is £1,320 per eligible pupil, which can be used by the school to provide additional support for those children.



Our School production, led by the drama club, will take place at Westbury Village Hall on the evenings of 5th and 6th of July. If you would like to purchase tickets for the production please return the order form to the school office. The drama club has worked tirelessly again in preparation for this production, as have the adults! We look forward to sharing this classic story with you.

CLASS NEWS



We had a lovely week in Class 1. In literacy we wrote character and setting descriptions. In maths we solved pirate problems. We also had Y6 children come and help us with pirate maths! In Welly Wednesday we pond dipped and we all really enjoyed sports Day.

In literacy Class 2 have finished writing our instructions on how to trap something from a traditional tale e.g. a bad wolf or a Ogre using time conjunctions. In numeracy Year 3 children have been adding together different amounts of money and Year 2's have used both silver and copper coins to make amounts larger than the £1. In theme we have used atlas's to find out which countries were part of the Roman Empire. We also labelled a Roman soldier.



Last week Class 3 made a model of the digestive system using tights, bread and orange juice. Each child represented a different part of the body like the teeth. We had lots of fun at Sports Day with Mars winning. In math, Year 4 were doing rounding, Year 5 children reflecting shapes and Year 6 constructing line graphs. In literacy, Year 4 and 5 have been writing poems using personification and Year 6 have been writing balanced arguments.

By Bella, Robert & Poppy J

If we only discuss the disadvantages of eating sweets, we have not balanced our argument.



IMPORTANT!
I WOULD LIKE TO CONFIRM THE PICK UP TIME FOR THE DRAMA CHILDREN ON TUESDAY 3RD JULY IS 4PM FROM THE VILLAGE HALL.

YOU ARE INVITED

CLUBS

With the exception of Karate and Dance club, which will finish week beginning 9th July, the last week for school-run clubs will be week beginning 2nd July.

BRASS

Mrs Kerry Ford has been visiting Year 4 this term, giving them the opportunity to try out brass instruments, learning a small amount of notation and ensemble skills. This is part of the Gloucestershire Music initiative to introduce primary age children to play real instruments as a taster, with a view to encourage and inspire them to learn more. The children have enjoyed the challenge and are playing really well. On the last lesson - Tuesday 17th July at 2.30pm - they will be showcasing their work. It would be great if you could come along and be part of the audience, to show your support. There will be further information about learning to play and Mrs Ford will be around afterwards to answer any questions. Thank you to those parents who have already encouraged their children by hiring instruments and listening to them play at home.

ROYAL VISIT

On Friday 6th July, we will be taking the whole-school to the Severn and Wye Smokery at Chaxhill, to greet and meet His Royal Highness, the Duke of Gloucester. He will be visiting the smokery to open the new section of this establishment. Whilst there, he will also meet some of our older children, who will share with him an art exhibition that the children are working on, all about the life-cycle of the eels. We are all very excited by this opportunity and will be working hard on the art work that will be displayed. Whilst we expect the weather to still be favourable, please ensure that your child attends school in their full-school uniform on this day. Thank you.



COUNTRY DANCE FESTIVAL

I want to say how very proud I am of our children in Class 2, who represented our school so wonderfully at the annual Forest of Dean School's Country Dance Festival. This took place just over a week ago at Speech House, on their field and was celebrated with 29 other schools from the Forest of Dean. My thanks go to every parent who supported this event and transported their children to the event. They looked and danced magnificently and even helped support our neighbouring school on the field, so that all their children could have a dance partner. We have been asked to inform you that there are unclaimed Lucy Programme prizes, can you please check if you have won.

Company	Prize	Programme Number
Wye Valley Visitor Centre	Ticket (2A & 2C) The Amazing Hedge Puzzle/The Butterfly Zoo/Miniature Golf/Warfare Laser Ops	168
FoD Adventure Golf	£18 Voucher	238
Carnival Pizza	Prosecco	243

CATERLINK TASTER SESSION

On Friday 29th June, Caterlink, the company who cook our hot school lunches, will be holding a parent taster session at our school. The session will take place at the end of the school day and will be a wonderful opportunity for you to come and sample some of the dishes that the children are served at lunchtime and talk to the Caterlink staff.



**COME AND SEE WHAT YOUR
CHILD EATS AT LUNCHTIME!**