WESTBURY WHISPERS



Westbury-on-Severn CE Primary School

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DEAR PARENTS/CARERS

28th March 2018

We had such a wonderful time last week when we took the Y5&6 children to PGL Liddington. We were so very proud of all the children. They succeeded in everything they intended to do, and overcame many fears and anxieties. The support, care and encouragement that they showed towards each other was quite overwhelming and reminded me of the amazing spirit and ethos that we have at our school.

This was seen again on Monday, when we celebrated together in our Easter service at Westbury Church. The worship team led the service beautifully, and created their own prayers, which were read eloquently and from the heart.



I want to wish you all a very happy Easter and pray that God will bless your time as families over this period. Mr C.

ACTIVE GLOUCESTERSHIRE HIGH FIVE NETBALL

It was a pleasure to accompany Mrs Marshall and the Netball team to Cheltenham College yesterday, where they took part in the County Netball Finals. Whilst, they did not win, they played valiantly and with determination. They were an excellent example of our values and of teamwork. It was very pleasing to know that the team made up the 10 top school teams in the county and our thanks go to Mrs Marshall for coaching them so well.

Congratulations Team Westbury!



SCHOOL GOVERNOR 200 CLUB

Thanks to all families who have renewed their 200 Club numbers and sent their forms back in. If you haven't done this yet, please can you return you

subs to the school office before the end of term to ensure you are in the draw for April.

If you want to join the 200 Club too, a letter and membership form has been sent home this week with the children, and by email. Please do consider joining and helping to support the Governors to fundraise for the School - we have 99 out of our 200 numbers sold, so there is a way to go yet! And all money raised goes to support school life and improvements for the children.

CLUBS

With the exception of Drama Club, which will start back on April 18th, all other clubs for the summer term will begin week beginning 23rd April. A summer club list is attached to this newsletter. **Please return the reply slip by Monday 16th April.**

REMINDER—LUNCHES



The cost of a hot school lunch will be £2.36 from the 16th April.

DRAMA PRODUCTION

This is a confirmation notice of the dates for the Drama Production. This will take place on **Thursday July 5th and Friday 6th July.** Sorry if this is different to previously advertised dates, but unfortunately the Village Hall was already booked on alternative dates.

MONTHLY PRAYER GROUP

We will be holding our next monthly prayer meeting on Monday 23rd April in school at 3.30pm. 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.

REMINDER

Swimming lessons start on Wednesday 18th April for Year 2/3/4/ and 5 children.

CLASS NEWS

We've had a busy last week of term in Class 1. We all enjoyed being superheroes for our theme celebration and sharing our work. We all went on an Easter Egg hunt in the style of I'm going on a Bear hunt! We had great fun and got to search for our own eggs at the end of our hunt. May we take this opportunity to wish everyone a Happy and restful Easter, from all in Class 1.

Class 2 have finished their Eureka theme by finalising our cross stich.



We all enjoyed our theme and the celebration on Tuesday. In numeracy we have been learning about right angles and directions. We want to say goodbye and a big thank you to Miss Lear for all of her work with us this term!

In literacy the Year 6 children have been writing biographies about Berlie Doherty and Year 4 and 5 children have been doing newspaper reports about Jim escaping (from a book called Street Child).



Year 6 children have been learning about algebra with Mrs McCartney and the rest of the class have been doing column subtraction. We have been learning about a famous painter called L.S. Lowery in art.

That is just some of the things we have been doing this week in class 3, it has been a very exciting term. By Fern & Elise



At the beginning of this term, the school council decided that for lent, they would like to raise money for the Mercy Ships ministry. This ministry is in the form of a ship that is a floating hospital that sails around the coast of African countries. Its aim is to extend help and support inspired by a Christ like attitude of bringing healing to those in pain and in need of urgent medical attention. The Mercy Ship is funded entirely by donations and is home to all the voluntary doctors, nurses and surgeons and their families. To raise money, the School Council decided that they would half the money

that was taken from the toast bar for the duration of lent and donate that to the Mercy Ship ministry. I am delighted to say they during this lent period, the children have raised £60 from buying their toast. This is a great amount as all the children who have bought toast have contributed. Thank you children once again, for your support and demonstration of our Christian values of love, generosity and compassion.

BOOK FAIR

The school is holding a special 'Buy 2 get 1 free' Travelling Books Fair from Tuesday 17th April to Monday 23rd April, inclusive. Anyone who buys three books at the fair will get the cheapest FREE.



Tuesday 17th April Wednesday18th April Thursday 19th April Friday 20th April Monday 23rd April

3.15pm - 4.30pm 3pm - 4.30pm 8.30am - 8.45am & 3pm - 4.30pm 3pm - 4pm 3.15pm - 4.30pm

Calendar dates for Term 5&6

16.04.18	Start of Term
20.04.18	Theme Sheets to Parents
Wk Beg 14.05.18	SATs week
25.05.18	End of Term
04.06.18	Start of Term
11.06.18	Y1 Phonics Screening Check
15.06.18	Father's Day Service in school 9.15
21.06.18	Sports Morning
25.06.18	Dene Magna Transition week – To Be Confirmed
WI Day 02 07 19	Production week
Wk Beg 02.07.18	Production week
06.07.18	Reserve Sports Morning
13.07.18	Theme Celebration
13.07.18	ANNUAL REPORTS TO PARENTS
18.07.18	Celebration Evening at Westbury
	Church and School 6.30pm
19.07.18	Children finish Term
20.07.18	INSET / End of Term

Clerk to the Governing Body

The Governors are looking for someone to take on the responsibility of Clerk to the Governing Body.

Details of the post are as follows:

Grade: Grade G (pts 19-27) £18,746 – £24,174 pa pro rata

The Clerk acts as the official channel of communication to and from the Governing Body of the school and enables smooth and efficient functionality. The post is for 60 hours per annum which includes attendance at Full Governing Body meetings (typically 9 per year), liaison with the Chair of Governors & Headteacher and preparation of agendas, minutes and other papers associated with the meetings and attending Clerk Briefing Meetings.

Confidentiality and excellent organisational skills are essential. The successful applicant will also be competent in the use of Word and email. Experience in a similar role would be beneficial, but not essential as training will be available for the successful candidate.

For a copy of the job description and application pack please email admin@westbury-on-severncofe.gloucs.sch.uk.

Westbury-on-Severn CE Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people, and expects all staff, and volunteers, to share the same commitment. This position is subject to an enhanced DBS check.

If you would like to apply for this position, please speak to Either Mr Colin Poole-Chair of the Governing Body, or Mr Crunkhurn - Headteacher.





We want to say a loving goodbye to Mrs Roseblade-Bargh as she leaves us for her maternity leave. We will miss her until she returns later in the new school year, but want to wish her and her family well. We look forward to hearing from her and seeing her new baby when she arrives.

I am delighted to tell you that from 1st April, Mrs Jessica Pearce will be covering the maternity leave for Mrs Roseblade-Bargh. She will work Tuesday to Friday, as Mrs Roseblade-Bargh did, and will be responsible for the day-to-day running and teaching of Class 2 until Mrs Roseblade-Bargh returns.

Mrs Pearce comes to us with much experience in education and we are delighted to welcome her to the teaching team at Westbury.