# WESTBURY WHISPERS

Westbury-on-Severn CE Primary School

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#### DEAR PARENTS/CARERS

17th January 2019

Happy New Year! I really hope you had a lovely Christmas break - though it does seem a long time ago now!

Term has settled well here. Children are working hard on their new themes and, as always, there is a beautiful buzz around school with learning. I wanted to let you know as well, that Governors and I are in the process of reviewing our school vision - the way we see our school and all that we stand for - and it is a REALLY exciting time as we pull together so many amazing strands of our school into one document. You will already know much about this from the information on the website in our Christian distinctiveness pages, but it is always good to look again at things. I will be asking for your thoughts and views on this as we proceed.

On a completely different note, I would like you to also be aware of our emergency closing system that may need employing should we have a repeat of the bad weather we experienced last year. 'The Beast from the East' is threatening to return so please make sure that you are able to access both the school website and the Gloucestershire County Council website in case the snow hits us hard again. The website address is www.glosclosedschools.co.uk

Have a lovely week and a happy spring term! Mr C.

### **CLUBS**

Clubs have started back this week. Thank you to everyone who returned their forms on time. It is always extremely challenging to reorganise lists and letters when forms are returned later than the return date. We always try to accommodate the children into the clubs they want to do - within the limits set - so having them back on time is essential for this to happen.



#### PARENT GOVERNOR

Nomination forms will be sent home next week to parents for the election of a new Parent Governor. If you feel you have the relevant skills, time and commitment to undertake this important role, then please make an appointment to discuss this with me.

#### CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

Thank you to all the children who took part in the Christmas Jumper Day.

We raised £48.50,



## WHOLE SCHOOL VISIT TO THE EVERYMAN PANTOMIME

We had a wonderful time at the theatre and everyone enjoyed themselves. Thank you to everyone for supporting this annual event, which we hope to repeat next year.

#### **MESSAGE FROM FRIENDS**

Please note that the dates for the Drama Clubs summer production have been changed to 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> July. This is different to previously stated dates.



#### THANK YOU

To all the families, friends and staff who supported the 2018 Christmas Craft Fair.

Thanks to you, we have raised £1,350 for the School.

#### The FWS Committee

Our next 'Friends' meeting is Wednesday 23rd January at 7pm at The Lyon Inn. You are most welcome to join us.

#### **CLASS NEWS**



Class 1 have had a good start to the new term. We are enjoying learning about our new theme, People who Help Us. We have completed lots of activities about people who help us, we have all been completing our daily challenges. Yr1's have written fact files for what different people who help us do and have been adding and subtracting numbers to 20. The Reception children have been identifying the initial sound in words and securing their knowledge of numbers to 10.



Class 2 have enjoyed starting our new theme of 'Second Star to the right'. We've started reading 'Peter Pan' and are using this in our literacy. In numeracy the Yr 3's have been telling the time and the Yr 2's have been learning to x and ÷ by 2,5 and 10.

On our first day back Class 3 went to the Everyman Theatre to see Aladdin We really enjoyed it. We have started our new theme



'Out of the Dark and into the Light' So far, we have learnt about prehistoric

animals and have put the prehistoric period into a timeline. We have also been learning about resilience.



#### Please note the following term dates for the spring terms

15.02.19	End of Term 3
25.02.19	Start of Term 4 for Children
29.03.18	Mother's Day Service at School 9.15am
20.03.19	Parents' Evening 3.30-7pm
27.03.19	Parents' Evening 3.30-7pm
04.04.19	Theme Celebration 9.15-10.30
05.04.19	Easter Service at the Church 2pm
05.04.19	End of Term

#### **GOVERNORS' 200 CLUB UPDATE**

Dear 200 Club Subscribers – my apologies for the delay in getting the November and December draw results to you before Christmas. Here are the winners! Your cheques will be on their way to you this week. Congratulations to you all.

#### November 2018 Winners:

1 <sup>st</sup> Prize £20:	Martha Mayo - No 23
2 <sup>nd</sup> Prize £10:	Paul Hughes - No 100
3 <sup>rd</sup> Prize £5:	Di Landon – No 08
4 <sup>th</sup> Prize £5:	Clare Poole – No 190
Jackpot £40:	NOT SOLD - No 65

#### **December 2018 Winners:**

1 <sup>st</sup> Prize £20:	Jo Barry - No 73
2 <sup>nd</sup> Prize £10:	Nigel Hogg - No 53
3 <sup>rd</sup> Prize £5:	Martha Mayo - No 23
4 <sup>th</sup> Prize £5:	Hayley Lloyd – No 13
Jackpot £80:	Annette Wales - No 70

