

WESTBURY WHISPERS

DEAR PARENTS/CARERS

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Westbury-on-Severn
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I hope this newsletter finds you all well. It has certainly been another exciting week!

It was a real joy to spend the day with our school Worship Team. These children are instrumental in leading worship each week and it was good to have a day of training together. During this time we explored the elements that make up our times of collective worship and how everything links to our school ethos, Christian vision and values. We particularly enjoyed the hot chocolate and biscuits!

We had some very special visitors last week thanks to Mr Morgan and Miss Boyce, who brought into Class 1 their soon-to-be-homed puppies. These were cross breeds of Jack Russell and Dachshund. The children loved seeing these cute tiny dogs as did all the teachers!!

Thank you to everyone who came along to last night's Parents' Evening. It was so good to see so many of you and catch up. I hope that you appreciated the feedback and target sheets so you know how to continue to support your child at home. Please remember that we are always happy to talk to you at any time, not just at Parents' Evenings, so do make an appointment if you ever want a catch up with the teachers.

I hope you have a lovely week.

Mr. C



THEME CELEBRATION

Our First Theme Celebration of the Year will take place on Friday 13th December at 9.15am in the school hall. Please come along and see all the amazing learning that the children have been doing this term. There will be plenty of hand-on experiences for you to do with your child and time for them to share their learning with you. We look forward to seeing you.

FWS

The Craft Fair will be taking place this Saturday November 30th at Westbury Village Hall. There is still time to offer your help if you would find you have some time on your hands. **The children from Classes 2 & 3 will be providing some singing entertainment at 12pm, so if your child would like to sing, then please can they be available at 11:45am. We will be singing for approximately 30mins. It would be good if they could wear their school jumper, but they do not need to be in full school uniform. We will be singing on the main stage.**

If you would like to get involved in Friends, or would like to know how you can help out as a committee member, please do contact the school office and we can put you in touch with the current committee.

With grateful thanks.



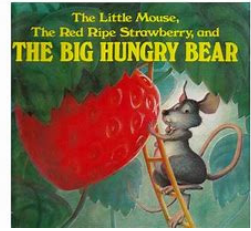
CLASS NEWS

We will be holding our annual Christmas Jumper day on Friday 13th December in aid of Save the Children. On this day, children can wear a 'Christmas' Jumper and bring a donation towards this charity. If you do not have a Christmas jumper, then please don't go and buy one especially; any jumper will do as I know how expensive this time of year can be and I don't want to add any undue pressure

PANTOMIME VISIT

We have booked our annual visit to the pantomime at The Everyman Theatre in Cheltenham on Tuesday January 7th. This year the children will see Cinderella. Please can I ask that all reply slips are sent to the school office by Monday 9th December.

Class 1 had a special visit from some puppies on Friday! We all enjoyed giving them a stoke!



In literacy we have been writing about The Red Ripe Strawberry, The Little Mouse and the Big Hungry Bear.

In numeracy we have been partitioning number 6 in different ways and finding subtraction facts. In theme we have been learning about the parts of animals. We have also been practising our nativity, please remember to return your forms and send your costumes in.



Class 2 have been learning about angles in maths. We have been looking at non-chronological reports in literacy.

In science, we learnt about the different types of microbes and why washing with soap is important.

VIOLIN CONCERT



Mrs Kay will be holding a violin concert in the school hall at 2.15pm on Friday 6th December. These concerts are always a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the learning that the children have been doing with her over the term and a chance for the children to showcase their musical pieces. Please do come along if you are able to. We would love to see you.

The Y6 children in maths have been doing fractions, decimals and percentages. Y5's have been measuring reflex angles with a protractor. Y4's have been doing co-ordinates and plotting points.

In literacy we are writing adventure stories on the Maya Ruins. In science we have learnt about dissolving and in RE we have questioned 'Is Jesus the Messiah?'



Term Dates

Here is a list of some key dates for autumn terms for your diary

11.12.19	Class 1 & 2 Nativity 2pm and 6.30pm
13.12.19	Theme celebration 9.15
18.12.19	Christmas Lunch
20.12.19	Experience Christmas
20.12.19	Christingle service in Church 2pm
20.12.19	End of Term 2

SCHOOL UNIFORM

I want to thank everyone for the effort that has been put into making sure children arrive at school wearing the correct school uniform. However, we are still having big issues with clothing that is not named. This is causing some difficulties, especially with our younger children, during PE times and when getting changed for after-school clubs. Some children are going home with the wrong clothing! I would be very grateful if you could PLEASE check that your child comes home wearing their own clothes. We have a small child who has lost a complete PE kit because it may have been taken home by a different child! I would really appreciate it if you could make sure that every item of school uniform and coats are named - even down to sock! Thank you for your help with this.

NATIVITY DATES

The Class 1&2 Nativity will take place this year on **Wednesday 11th December**. There will be two performances, one at 2pm and the other at 6pm. We would like all children to attend the evening performance. This is always a lovely performance and we know how hard the children have been practising. Please put these dates in your diary.

