

# WESTBURY WHISPERS

DEAR PARENTS/CARERS

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

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Well, what lovely weather we have had these past few weeks. It has been wonderful to see the children enjoying the sunshine and playing on the field and the trim trail. Thank you to everyone who has been putting sun-cream on their children during this hot weather as it helps to reinforce the importance of being sun-safe.

Well done to the Year 1 children for completing their phonics screening check this week. They worked hard and really did their best.

Last week was a very busy week indeed. The Year 6 children had a lovely time at their Year 6 Leavers' Service at Gloucester Cathedral. Whilst there, they sung songs, heard readings and listened to an internationally and nationally renowned storyteller – Mr Bob Hartman. He told the story of the lost sheep in a very inspiring and entertaining way. He even managed to get a jeep to feature in the story – although we weren't quite sure how that fitted into the original story Jesus told! It was my privilege to lead the six cathedral services over the week, which saw nearly 4,000 children from all over Gloucestershire worshipping together.

Mr C

LOOKING FORWARD TO  
SEEING SOME OF CLASS  
2 AT THE COUNTRY  
DANCE FESTIVAL  
TODAY AT 6PM.



## **FATHERS' DAY SERVICE**

This is a reminder that we will be holding our annual **Fathers' Day service in the school hall on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June at 9.15am.** We would be delighted if you were able to attend this lovely service. The children have been working hard to create some beautiful things to share with you if you are able to come. We would love to see you.

## ***VALUES FOR LIFE***

This term, our new worship theme is Respect. Attached to this newsletter is the Home/School values sheet with suggested activities you may wish to do at home as a family. This will help reinforce the value we are promoting this term in school.

## **SPORTS MORNING**

We would like to invite you to join us for our annual sports morning, which will take place on the school field on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June. We will start at 9.30am and finish at lunch time with a school picnic, if you would like to join us for this picnic, then please do. You will need to bring a rug and your picnic with you and your child can join you on the field. Hot school lunches will still be available for children who wish to have one as usual. If the weather is poor and we need to cancel our sports morning, then our reserve date is the morning of Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July.

## MONTHLY PRAYER GROUP

We will be holding our next monthly prayer meeting on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.

## SCHOOL GOVERNOR 200 CLUB

Our thanks to all those who have renewed or taken out a new subscription for the School 200 Club. It's not too late to join! You can join at any point in the year, just pay £1 for every month left in the financial year from April 2018. Don't forget there are 5 cash prizes every month, and the jackpot rolls over if the number is not sold. The biggest win we had last year was £200. Get yourself a number today!! Subscription forms can be found in the school entrance. As a result of your kind subscriptions, the Governors have been able to fund new dining hall furniture for the children, which we hope will be with us ready for the new school year.

**TICKETS  
NOW ON  
SALE**

## OLIVER! PRODUCTION

Our School production, led by the drama club, will take place at Westbury Village Hall on the evenings of 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> of July. Details of the production have been sent home letting you know how you can purchase tickets. 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 have had an exciting time in Class 1. This week has been Sports Week and we have learnt lots of new sports, including Pirate tri golf and end ball. We have been creative, making Fathers' Day cards and painting portraits of our Dads'. **Please can I ask that children do not bring toys into school or wear rubber wrist bands.**



**CAUTION**  
**READ INSTRUCTIONS**  
**BEFORE OPERATING**

In literacy Class 2 have been learning about instructions and conjunctions. We cut out pictures and then had to write the instructions to tie in with the pictures. We have done lots of sports this week ready for Sports Morning next Thursday—we have done bench ball, end all, jumping, running, throwing and lots more.  
By Lilly & Daisy

Class 3 have been doing lots of sports this week. Y4/5 have wrote poems about rivers and the Y6 were writing a newspaper report and learnt that Goldilocks was actually a thief! We visited Westbury Court Gardens to release the eels that we have been looking after. Today we are drawing the eels and making our Respect tulips. This afternoon we are going to watch a classical band called Red Priest at Newnham Church.



## 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 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. **Although all KS1 children are entitled to Universal Infant Free (UIFSM) School Meals please also apply for FSM if you are entitled.**