



Newsletter
Term 1
Thursday 14th October 2021

Dear parents and carers,

We have reached the end of term 1 and what a term it has been. All the staff have been blown away by the way all the children settled back into the normal routines of school life. The quality of learning and learning behaviours on display has been amazing. I love the fact that teachers always say how hard it is to choose learning champions and hot chocolate children because they have whole classes of learning champions. I have even had to give out stickers to whole classes this term!

I have to mention our wonderful year 6 children who have been given a whole set of responsibilities this term and they have more than risen to the challenge. They have roles like worship monitors, active play leaders, lunchtime helpers and Parliament leaders. They even have taken on the unofficial role of Busy Bee buddies. They could not have made us more proud. They are excellent role models for our school. Well done to all our year 6!

Thank you to all the staff for their hard work throughout the term. They really are an amazing crew and they all go over and above and I know they are all ready for the two week break.

Congratulations to Mr Moor and his wife Kim who gave birth to baby Aretha this week. We wish the family huge congratulations.



Have a wonderful half term everyone and we look forward to seeing you all on Monday 1st November.

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LEARNING REVIEWS

Thank you to everyone that attended learning review meetings this week. It was so lovely to welcome you back into the classrooms to discuss your child's learning. We work very closely in partnership with you to ensure your children make the best possible progress and being able to meet you in person to discuss how we can work together to ensure great outcomes for your children has been enormously beneficial. If you were not able to attend a meeting, please contact the office or your child's teacher to request a meeting or a phone call next term.

DISCO

A big thank you to our very small team of PTFA volunteers who organised a fantastic disco for our children this week. The PTFA volunteers not only organise great events for our children and their families but also raise essential funds for the school which helps us to purchase additional resources. All children benefit from their efforts. The chair and the vice chair of the PTFA, Abby Fox and Becky Fowler, both work full time in school as well as having their own families and I know they would really welcome new PTFA members to share the load and provide even more fun events for us all! Please see the message from Abby Fox below.

CHRISTMAS FAIR

The PTFA are very excited to announce that this year (Covid regulations permitted) we can hold our ever popular Christmas Fair. We are already very busy organising the event but we need your help! We are looking for volunteers to help out with organising and running this large event as we can't do it without volunteers. Any help you can give would be grateful appreciated. Please get in touch with Becky Fowler or Abby Fox or email stannesptfa@gmail.com for any further information.

We are also wishing to hold a raffle and therefore if you own a local business or know someone who does and may be willing to donate a raffle prize this would be fantastic. Please can any prize donations be handed into either site reception or if in the form of a voucher these can be emailed to stannesptfa@gmail.com.

Our next meeting is taking place on Thursday 11th November at the Woolpack Pub in St Georges, we would love to see you there. Thanks in advance for your support.

REMINDERS

A few polite reminders for next term. Jewellery should not be worn at all except for very **small** and discrete round studs. Trainers should only be worn on PE days. Please encourage your child to have water in their bottles. Not only is water the healthy option for drinking, bottles with squash have been split over carpets and

furniture this term. Please label your child's school uniform. The amount of unlabelled school uniform left around the sites is worrying. We struggle to get clothing back to you if it is unnamed.

BB@WW REQUEST

After the October break Busy Bees@WW would love some toy tractors for their play farm and wondered if any families had any tractors that they no longer need. Any donations can be handed in to our office crew or directly to the class.



BREAKFAST CLUB

Our Breakfast club has had a very successful term and is growing in popularity. The children love the breakfasts. Sessions are held at our West Wick site and are open to all. Sessions start from 7:30am. There is a shuttle bus provided to transport our Hewish children across at the start of the day. Each session costs £3.50 or £4.25 including transport to Hewish. Sessions can be booked via the school office.



VACANCIES

We are currently looking to recruit some more lunchtime supervisors to ensure our children have a lovely active lunchtime. If you are interested in joining our very friendly and supportive staff team and working with our children on both sites please contact the school for more detail. If you would like to volunteer at the school, we would love to welcome you. Please contact the school office for more details.

NUT-FREE SCHOOL

I know this is always on the newsletter but it is **VERY** important. Please can we remind everyone that we are a **nut-free school** and that snacks and lunch boxes must **not** contain anything nutty, including chocolate hazelnut spreads like Nutella and peanut butter. This is to ensure the safety of our children who can have severe allergic reactions to nuts. Your consideration and co-operation is greatly appreciated.



DIARY DATES

Friday 15th October – Training day for staff

Monday 1st November – Beginning of term 2

Tuesday 23rd November – Tulip Photography - Individual & siblings – non-school siblings from 8.15am @H & from 3-3.45pm @WW

GENEROSITY

We have ended our termly value with two wonderful family worships led by our year 6 crew and with the children reflecting on what generosity means to them. My favourite comments were 'Generosity means you first, me last!' and 'In the future, I will be generous by giving my time to others'. A big thank to everyone for their donations for the Foodbank. We have had huge donations on both sites that school staff will now take to the Weston Foodbank. Thank you all for your enormous generosity!

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