

Wanborough Primary School NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents

Today is one of those happy/sad days when we are all excited about the half-term break but also saying our fond farewells to Mrs Upshall, who as you know is retiring after 20 years' association with the school. We had a goodbye assembly today, with some lovely pictures soon to be put on the school website. Also leaving us is Mrs Packer who has been an MDSA here for the last couple of years. We wish her well too and thank her for all her time and effort in making lunchtimes safe and enjoyable.

In school we are pleased to finish the SATS season with both Years 2 and 6 working extremely hard to achieve their best. We hope their efforts will be rewarded with pleasing results, which we will receive towards the end of June/early July.

In contrast to the testing period, the whole school spent an enjoyable afternoon yesterday at Hooper's Field and Warneage Woods. Looking into Term 6 there are trips, residentials, wow days, sports days, productions, assemblies, awards and fetes all to come which should make for a fun filled action packed time.

The PTA have also kindly given £500 to the school to provide some circus skills fun for all the children as a thank you for their efforts before and during our successful OFSTED.

The PTA have again been working hard to raise money for the school with Summer being their busy period. As you may have read - across the country school budgets are under real and increasing pressure. Within this backdrop the PTA have kindly allocated money to the school this financial year to ensure that curriculum and class budgets remain as 2016/17. This money will allow for subject leaders and class teachers to buy learning resources, enrichment activities and opportunities which all children in the school will benefit from.

Finally, may I draw your attention to the Sex and Relationships Education evening on Wednesday 7th June. These sessions are intended to inform parents of the curriculum we will be teaching during Term 6. Previously Year 6 were the only class which received SRE, however we are now introducing SRE across all year groups (1-6) in an age appropriate manner following a highly commended teaching resource - Jigsaw PSHE.

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Both sessions are covering the same material but it will be easier for us to organise numbers in this way. Parents from Rec - Year 6 are welcome to attend. Details of the schools policy and curriculum will be put on the school website for those unable to attend.

Regards

Andrew Doney

Healthy Tuck Shop

Summer's here!

Look out for lovely fresh fruit options at Healthy Tuck Shop this term including delicious juicy fruit kebabs - get your 5-a-day on a stick!! Only 50p.

See you on Friday break time.

Ms Hingley - T.A.



With the summer holidays fast approaching and families possibly venturing abroad, would you like your children to learn a few phrases to use during their holiday? We subscribe to the Linguascope website which provides the opportunity to learn the following languages: French, German, Spanish, Italian and English. Every child has been given their login to use at home. Please remember, never to share the password with anyone outside Wanborough School. Children are familiar with the elementary and beginner levels, however older pupils in KS2 may enjoy listening to the role play presentations in the intermediate level.

Have fun learning, happy holidays!

Diary Dates

Wed 7th June

Y2 Trip to Cotswold Wildlife Park
SRE Info Evening - 6-6.45pm KS1
SRE Info Evening - 7-7.45pm KS2

Thurs 8th June

Non Uniform Day for Fete Donations

w/c 12th June

Year 6 Trip to France

Wed 14th June

Y1 Trip to Weston-Super-Mare
Year 2 Class Assembly - 2.15pm

Mon 19th June - 3.15pm-4.30pm and 5.30pm - 6.30pm

Children's Book Viewing

Wed 21st June

Sports Day

Mon 26th June - from 2pm

School Uniform Sale in Hall

Tues 27th June

Class Photos

Wed 28th June - 2.15pm

Year 1 Class Assembly

Fri 30th June

New Class Swap Over Day

Fri 7th July - 6pm

George Gibbs @ Church

Tues 11th July - 1.15pm and 6.30pm

Year 6 Production

Fri 14th July - 6pm

Leavers' Service @ Church

Thurs 20th July

School Finishes at 1.30pm

Teacher Training Days

2016/17

1st and 2nd Sept / 3rd Jan / 5th June /
21st July

2017/18

1st Sept / 16th, 17th and 18th Oct /
26th July

Other news...

Some great sporting achievements....

Kira in Year 6 competed in a Swindon School of Gymnastics Competition recently on the vault, bars, beam and floor. She came 1st in the competition which was a brilliant achievement, especially as Kira has not long recovered from a broken arm due to an accident on the bars! Well done Kira - a great performance.



Well done Lauren (Year 6), Natalie (Year 6) and Jessica (Year 3) who completed the 5k Race for Life on Sunday and helped to raise much needed money for Cancer Research. Well done girls. We are super proud of you.

It is always lovely to hear of our pupils' out of school achievements. Please email your news and pictures to admin@wanboroughprimary.org to be included in future newsletters.

NSPCC and O2 Share Aware

Share Aware from NSPCC and O2 gives parents all the tools they need to have regular and informed conversations with their child about staying safe online. Under 20% of parents discuss online safety regularly with their children but we want to get every family talking about their child's life online, just as they would their day at school.

Parents can sign up to the [Icebreaker email series](#) and become an expert in their child's online world in 6 weeks. Follow our [four simple steps](#) to keeping kids safe online, watch our film '[Safety advice from a 10 year old](#)' or visit [Net Aware](#) - our guide to your child's social networks apps and games.

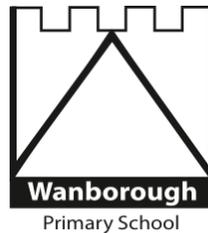
The internet is a great place for kids to be, being Share Aware makes it safer.

Just like in real life, kids need our help to stay safe online. Teach your child to be #ShareAware with @NSPCC and @O2 <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/share-aware/>



NSPCC 
Cruelty to children must stop. **FULL STOP.**

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Dear Parents

With hopefully lots of sunshine in term 6, may I remind parents of the measures we have in place at school to ensure everyone's safety if the weather becomes very hot.

Protection

- Shade - children will be encouraged to sit in the shade in the playground and field.
- Sun shades (natural and man-made) will be available for children to sit under.
- The availability of shade is considered when planning excursions and all outdoor activities
- On extremely hot days pupils will remain inside during lunchtimes and PE.
- Children will be encouraged to keep hydrated throughout the school day.

Clothing

- Children should bring sun hats to school to wear at playtimes and during outdoor PE lessons in the summer term.
- Children may bring sunglasses to school to be worn outdoors on bright days
- All teachers, teaching assistants and lunch-time supervisors will be encouraged to wear hats when on playground duty and during sports lessons, when necessary.

Sun Screen

- Sun screen use will be encouraged on school trips and for outdoor PE lessons.
- Children can bring their own sun screen and apply it themselves.
- Children may only use their own sun screen.
- Teachers will not apply sun screen to any children.
- Parents are asked to teach their children how to sensibly use and apply these screens and will clearly label them and put them in their child's bag for their own use.

Yours sincerely

Andy Drury
Headteacher



PTA News

Easter Bake Sale, Raffle & Easter Cake Decorating Competition

We had an amazing number of entries for the Cake Decorating competition with Reverend Bill making special awards to Jessica and Rosie Naffine, Annabelle and Jessica Evans, Tom Joseph, Hugh Jefferd, Henry Hopkins and Natalie Trowbridge. The overall Best Child Entry was from Wilfred Whitford for the second year running and there were joint winners for the Best Family Entry – the Maclurkan and Dash families.

The Bake Sale, Raffle and Easter Cake Decorating Competition raised a grand total of £233.51. Once again, many thanks to Richard James estate agents for donating our star prize – a huge chocolate bunny. The raffle was won by Sophie Walker, Isabelle Jones and Willow Johnson. Many thanks for all the donations of lovely cakes and to all those who came along to help or buy.



Bags2 School

We received 81 bags which raised £185.60 for the school. The lucky winners of the prize draw were Aiden Hutchings, Lucy Mosley and Jessica and Harry Millington, winning a box of Monty Bojangles Choccy Scoffy Truffles! We hope to have our next collection in November. Many thanks to all who took part and please pass on our thanks to the friends, relatives and neighbours who had a clear out on our behalf.

Key Stage 2 Party

This made a massive £1,083.46 – the first time we've broken the £1,000 mark I believe and almost £100 up on last year. Who knew the Key Stage 2 parents could party so much?!! A quick tip for removing the remains of their 'temporary' tattoos - Baby Oil or an oily make-up remover is the way to go. Many thanks if you came along to support or help at this event.

Where the Money Goes

Purchasing an all-weather track around the outside of the school field to enable the school to take part in the 'Mile a Day' challenge remains our primary 'big ticket item' goal. However this month we've also agreed to purchase 8 wireless computer mice to use with the school's Alpha touch screens. The school have also asked us to put aside £500 to cover a fun end-of-term event for all of the children as a thank you for a positive Ofsted visit.

FitSteps – Wednesdays, 5.45pm at the Village Hall

FitSteps has been devised by some of the Strictly Come Dancing people and is a dance-inspired fitness class suitable for all ages – so far our youngest participant has been 10 and our oldest, in her seventies! Vikki, our professional instructor leads us through the dance routines to great music. It's great fun with no experience or partner necessary. You can pay on the day - £4 per adult; £3 per child and a percentage of the proceeds comes back to the school. If you've no idea what FitSteps is, there's a 45 second taster video which will hopefully be going on the school website – the children have already seen it in assembly! I'm sure we all saw the recent stories in the press stating that 2 out of every 3 girls give up on exercise by the age of 9. This is a great way for you or an adult friend or relative to exercise with your child and make a positive difference. Email contactpta@wanboroughprimary.org for more information.

WANTED! Books, CDs, DVDs, Computer Games, Soft Toys, Lego and any 'New' Items

We now have a collection box under the School Office window. We are collecting books, CDs, DVDs, and Computer Games that remain in good condition for our stall at the Fete. We are also after soft toys that remain in pristine condition for our Adopt-a-Teddy stall which we'll be debuting at the Fete. We'd also like any spare Lego that you have lying around – in the original boxes if you have it, otherwise just in a plastic bag.

Finally, if you have any 'new' items – that are still in their packaging or have their tags on them – that would be suitable for tombola prizes, Ebaying or a charity shop, then please let us have them. If you are having a clear out, do think of us!

School Charity

Any of the above items that we can't make use of, will be passed to a local charity shop. We recently gave the children a choice as to which local charity they would like us to support. The children were given the choice of supporting Cancer Research UK, Helen & Douglas House or the North Wiltshire branch of the RSPCA. It was a very close vote, but the RSPCA won and we've taken our first lot of donations to them.

Help for the Fete

Your Summer Fete needs your help! Quite simply we can't run the fete without the help of parents and year 6 children volunteering some of their time to help. If you're available on the evening of Friday 23rd June or at almost any time on Saturday 24th June and would like to help set-up, clear away or man a stall, please get in touch at contactpta@wanboroughprimary.org We'd love to be able to fill all the volunteer time slots without the need to stop and ask parents at drop-off or pick-up time. Please, please. Please do get in touch and lets all make this year's fete a fun event for all the School's community.

Non-uniform Day – 8th June

On behalf of the PTA, the school is holding a non-uniform day on Thursday 8th June. In return for the children not wearing their uniform the PTA would appreciate a small donation so we can make up Treasure Chests to be raffled at the Fete. We would be grateful if you can donate items for the Treasure Chests based on the class your children are in:

Classes	Items
ACORN and CONKER	"GIRLS" e.g. pens, art supplies, little toys, notebooks, books, hair bobbles, bubble bath...all things girlie!!
ACORN and CONKER	"BOYS" e.g. small toys, balls, games, pens, art supplies, books, comics...anything for boys!!
PINECONE and MAPLE	"GAMES & OUTDOORS" e.g. travel games, gardening things, outdoor toys, beach toys, BBQ, picnic items, outdoor candles, seeds...
WILLOW and ELM	"A NIGHT IN" e.g. pamper items, bubble bath, lotions and potions, nibbles and nuts, chocolates and treats, cookery items, games, books, DVDs...
OAK	"BOOZE" e.g. wine, beer, spirits, fizzy flavoured waters, mixers, cocktail ideas, nuts and nibbles...

Please ensure that your donation is new and unopened/unused. Please send your donated item(s) with your child on Thursday 8th June.

Music Bingo aka Rock 'n' Roll Bingo

We're hoping to trial a new event in July if we can work around other Village social engagements! The New Calley Arms have very kindly going to play host to us. You buy a bingo card with 15 songs/artists/bands on it. 10-15 seconds of a song is then played. If it matches with one of the items on your card, you 'dab it' and there will be prizes for 4 corners and a 'Full House'. We're thinking of targeting the music of the 80s, 90s, 00s, 10s and Number 1s. More details to follow if we can find a suitable date!

Thank You

Many thanks for Vodafone and Nationwide who have donated £350 and £100 respectively via their employee-matched fundraising schemes. If you work for one of these or a similar employer who has such a scheme and think you could help, please get in touch with us at contactpta@wanboroughprimary.org and we'll explain what you need to do.

Easyfundraising - Shopping Cashback Site for the School

We keep plugging this cashback site as it's a really easy (and free!) way for you to raise extra money for the school if you're an online shopper. 23 people have now signed up and this has brought in an extra £279 to the school. To find out more, click on the following link - <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/invite/NFAXV2/> Search for Wanborough Primary School PTA and then create a new account. Download the toolbar and then make your purchases through the site and a percentage of your purchase will go to the school. After you have made your first purchase, an additional £1 will be donated as well.

You can also download the app from Google and App Store but try and download on a computer or laptop first as this will help with the extra donation. There are over 3,000 online retailers on the site including Amazon, Next, Marks & Spencer, Ebay, John Lewis and the major supermarkets. If you shop online, please consider using this site.

Please feel free to pass on to family and friends.

A New Venture – Lego Keyrings!

Look out for our email about buying personalised Lego brick keyrings/bag-tags for your children when we come back from Half Term. They'll cost £3.25.

Future Events

Every Wednesday, 5.45pm, Village Hall – FitSteps Class

Thursday 8th June – Non-Uniform Day in return for a Treasure Chest/Tombola donation

Wednesday 21st June – Sports Day, including refreshments and Second-Hand Uniform Stall

Saturday 24th June – School Fete

Monday 26th June – Scholars School Uniform Sale at school (tbc)

July – tbc – Music Bingo – watch this space!

Sunday 2nd July – Wanborough Fun Run, part of the proceeds will be donated to the PTA

Thank you all for your continued support.