

PARENT NEWSLETTER

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MESSAGE FROM MRS JONES...

Welcome to October's newsletter which marks the end of the first half term of our new academic year. The weeks have flown by and it has been great to see all the amazing learning that the children have been doing in their classrooms. I walk around the school and see fantastic enthusiasm and engagement and have also seen some amazing results of the children's hard work. Please keep looking at our Facebook page to see some excellent examples of recent learning from all our classes.

Celebration Assemblies

It has been great to see so many of you at our celebration assemblies on a Friday morning. Myself and Miss Guiler are available afterwards until 10am should anyone want to join us for a cup of tea or coffee and a chat.

PTA (PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION)

The PTA has, in the past, taken an active role in running fun activities for the children in our school and organising fundraising. Due to the hard work of the PTA, we are able to set up our creative space as well as purchase other resources to support learning across the school.

If you would like to be part of our PTA, please see Mrs Brown in the office.

Our AGM will take place on 12th November at 6pm.

SHARING ASSEMBLIES

Sharing Assemblies take place alongside our celebration assemblies termly for each class. We have loved seeing all the learning that has been taking place in Blue Whales, Black Rhinos and Red Pandas! Our remaining sharing assemblies will take place on a **Friday at 9.00am** on the following dates.

Orangutans: 15th November
Sea Turtles: 29th November

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Our school photographer will be in school on Wednesday 6th November.

CHRISTMAS SAVE THE DATE...

Christmas Dinner / Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children: Wednesday 11th December
Reception and KS1 Christmas Nativity: Monday 9th and Tuesday 10th December
Christmas Church Service: TBC
Carols round the Christmas Tree: Friday 20th December 3.15 - 4.00pm

MEET OUR NEW CHAIR OF GOVERNORS

Sue Yeates has recently taken over as the chair of our Governing Body. She will be greeting the children and adults at the school gate on Friday 7th November in the morning so that you will have the opportunity to meet her. She will also attend our celebration assembly on that day and will stay for our coffee morning after the assembly should you wish to stay and talk to her.

Keep up to date on our School Website and on Social Media...



PARENT / CARER QUESTIONNAIRE

Thank you to those of you who completed our parent questionnaire. We have collated the results and will share these with you after half term. The results are extremely positive with some constructive comments that we will take on board when planning for the future.

In response to the comments relating to the provision of school clubs, we have extended our offer as outlined below.

We are also in the process of developing an interim report to be sent out at the end of the Autumn Term to build on the information shared with you at parents evenings this half term. This will provide an additional opportunity for teachers to inform you of how your child is progressing in school.



CLUBS

We are excited to extend our offer of lunchtime and after school clubs next half term.

I am incredibly thankful to all school staff who are willing to give up their time to run our clubs over the course of the year. These will be offered on a first come first served basis. There will be a new selection of clubs on offer in the Spring and Summer terms so we are hopeful that all children will be able to find something that they are interested in pursuing over the course of the year.

Mrs Brown will send out a more detailed outline of times, dates and how to sign up.

Here are the ones which will run during the Autumn Term:

KS1/2 Choir

KS1 Board Games

KS2 Crochet Club

KS2 Dance Club

Gipping Valley Sports Clubs

KS1 Christmas Cake Club

Parent and child creative space and library times



The ten wonders of Woolpit!

During their time at Woolpit Primary Academy, every child will experience the following:

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1. Represent Woolpit Primary Academy as part of a sports team.
 2. Participate in a variety of school trips, including visits out of the county.
 3. Experience the four seasons through Forest School sessions.
 4. Support younger members of our school community.
 5. Make use of up to date technology to develop learning.
 6. Take on a leadership role.
 7. Develop art and music skills in our creative space.
 8. Take part in global projects that have a positive impact on the world.
 9. Play an active part in the local community.
 10. Perform in front of an audience.

10 Wonders News...

WONDER NO.2: Well done to Orangutans who had such a fantastic time on their school trip to Abbeygate Sixth Form for a Skills Escalator Day. You represented our school so well and Mrs White and all the adults were incredibly proud of you! We are also super proud of the children who have been on residential this week. You can see some fantastic photos on our Facebook page.

WONDER NO.9: We collected 111kg of food for the local foodbank which was amazing! It will make such a difference to those who use this service. Thank you so much for your generosity!



TERMLY NEWSLETTER OF ACHIEVEMENTS

I am aware that there are some things that the children do outside of school that are amazing! Each term we would like to celebrate the achievements of the children outside of school and would like to create a special newsletter to share these with the rest of the school community. This could be a sporting achievement, a musical achievement, something that a child has done within the local community or anything that they have done that has made you (or them) feel super proud! Please email the school office to let us know about the achievement. It would be great if you could also send a photo that could be included in our newsletter. Our first achievement newsletter will be sent out at the beginning of December.