



# Welbourne Primary Academy

## December Newsletter

### Upcoming dates

Wednesday 21st December

Last day of School

Thursday 5th January

First day back at school after the Christmas Break

### School Events

Friday 9th December

Christmas Jumper Day

Monday 12th December

Christmas Dinner Day

Wednesday 14th December

KS1 Nativity (9.45am-10.30am)

Wednesday 14th December

EYFS Christmas Sing Song (2.30pm -3.00pm)

Thursday 15th December

KS1 Nativity (1.30pm-2.15pm)

Monday 19th December

School Disco

### School Trips

Thursday 8th December

Choir TDET Christmas Concert

Thursday 15th December

Year 4 & 5 Sports Festival

Monday 19th December

Whole School Panto Visit

### A note from Miss Lawson

The festive season is well and truly underway. The tree is up, the post box is out and songs from the nativity can be heard in the corridors! We have lots of festive activities planned over the coming weeks and so please make a note of the dates that can be found on this newsletter.

This half term we have reviewed our school rules and discussed these during our assemblies. The children have spent time with their class teacher thinking about what behaviours they must demonstrate to achieve each of our rules which can be found below:

[Be Kind](#)

[Be Ready to Learn](#)

[Be Responsible](#)

It would be great if you could discuss these further at home and support your children to recognise what it is to be kind, ready to learn and responsible.

The children have taken part in lots of additional activities this term from our dance and gymnastic sessions that were attended by Year 3 and our Rock and Roll concert at the Cresset that was attended by Year 5 and the school choir. These were both fantastic opportunities for the children to practise their skills outside the school setting and develop the skill of performing. They did a fantastic job in representing the school and we are very proud of them.

Miss Lawson

### Online Safety

With a view to December where everyone will likely spend lots of time with screens as a family or with friends we have attached the Childnet's free 'Family Agreement' and 'My Life Online' template. These are useful tools to initiate conversations with your child about how to stay safe online



### Parent/Family Helpers

We are looking to recruit some parent/family helpers to come into school to listen to some readers. It is a lovely opportunity to get involved in school life and support our lovely children. If anybody feels like they would like to offer some time then please contact the school office.



### Mini Reports

Autumn term reports are due to arrive via email week commencing 12th December.

### Attendance

A big 'thank you' to all the families who are working with us to improve our attendance. If your child's attendance has fallen below 95%, you will receive a letter to make you aware of this. If absences continue, you will be invited to meet with us to find ways to work together to support you in improving your child's attendance.

#### **Attendance Matters**



### Lunchtime

As some of you may be aware, Key Stage 2 children have returned to eating their lunches back in the hall. This has been very successful and it is lovely to see the children enjoying the social occasion. Over the next few weeks we will gradually introduce moving into the hall for our Key Stage 1 children. This will be the first time they will have done this and it will be an exciting change. The school cook (Mrs Milton) has thoroughly enjoyed seeing the children at the servery again and we have had some lovely meals served up from around the world. The Chinese day was a particular favourite of mine! If you would like to find out more about our fantastic school lunches than please enquire at the school office.



### Year 4, 5 and 6 Poetry and Poppies Workshop

On the 11th November our Year 4, 5 and 6 classes took part in a Poetry and Poppies workshop. They used drama techniques and role play to look at the role of Britain at War and how this impacted on life today. They focused on bringing it to life through the use of emotive vocabulary in poetry and song.



### Reading Buddies

Our Reception children are enjoying reading with their year 6 reading buddy every Friday. They are building a great relationship with each other and frequently ask when the next session will be. Reception also invite their parents in for Storytime sessions on a Wednesday and Friday from 2:50pm. They love sharing a wide variety of books with their parents including non-fiction, fiction and poetry.



### Year 4 Visit from a Viking

Year 4 spent the day learning about life during the Viking times. They worked out where the era was on a timeline, found out about everyday life, made their own Viking shields and experienced life as a Viking warrior. Everyone had a, 'Gothan dag.'



### Nursery

The children and staff at Welbourne Primary Academy Nursery have settled into the new environment really well this term. We had our Ofsted inspection just before half term and were delighted to be judged as good. We do have some availability across the nursery for two, three and four year old funded children, and would love to offer sessions to children in the local community. If you are interested, please call us on 01733 304377 to arrange a visit to view our nursery and register your child.

