



Welbourne Primary Academy

November Newsletter

Upcoming dates

Monday 14th November
Odd Socks Day in aid of Anti Bullying Week

Friday 18th November
Children in Need Day

School Events

Wednesday 9th November
Soke Cross Country

Friday 11th November
Poetry and Poppies Workshop

Thursday 1st December
Year 4 Anglo Saxon Day

Thursday 8th December
TDET Christmas Concert

Friday 9th December
Christmas Jumper Day

Monday 12th December
Christmas Dinner Day

School Trips

Thursday 10th November
Rock and Roll Singing Day

Monday 21st November
Year 2 trip to Peterborough Cathedral

Tuesday 6th December
Year 4 New Theatre Visit

Monday 19th December
Whole School Panto Visit

A note from Miss Lawson

Welcome back to the second half of the Autumn term. I hope you all had a relaxing break.

As you can see, the list of dates is quite extensive for this term but will give our children a whole host of different opportunities to take part in which underpins our whole school vision. From sporting events to singing there will be plenty for the children to take part in.

Along with renewing our school vision, we have revised our whole school values which can be found below:

Our Values are at the HEART of our school

Honesty

Be truthful to ourselves and others

Excellence

Be motivated and strive to be the best in all that we do

Aspiration

Aim high and dream big

Respect

Respect for ourselves, each other and the environment

Teamwork

To work together and be supportive of each other

We have discussed these values during our weekly assemblies and the children have been keen to demonstrate these in and around school. If you notice your child is wearing a 'heart' sticker—please be sure to ask them why they received it.

Miss Lawson

Reading for Pleasure

This week your child will bring home two reading books. One text will be a book that has been chosen from our reading programme and the other text will be from the class library. It is important that we read stories to children that are beyond the level that they can read for themselves so that they experience the joy of listening to a range of stories, non-fiction and poetry. The expectation is that children will read every night, ideally to an adult so that the children can practise a range of skills that they have learnt in school. This could be decoding the words on the page, reading fluently and with expression or summarising what they have read. Each time your child reads at home this should be recorded in their reading record by either a parent/carer or older children may want to write their own annotations with a parent signature by the end of the week. This will then be recorded in class and prizes will be awarded as milestones are met.



New to Reception 2023

Open mornings will take place on:

23rd November—10.45am

7th December—9.30am

300 year celebration—'Acts of Kindness'

In 1721 Thomas Deacon died, leaving his legacy in his will to set up and fund a school in Peterborough. This became Deacon's charity school, opening in 1722 to 20 pupils. TDET is now a partnership of seven academies, educating over 5,000 children and young people in Peterborough and the surrounding areas. As part of TDET and to celebrate 300 years we are recognising our own 'Act of Kindness' just like the selfless act of Thomas Deacon. Some of these are recognised in the articles **Thomas Deacon's legacy**



Family Activity Sessions

Just a reminder about our family activity sessions that are due to take place this term—it has been lovely to see so many of you.

Year 2 - Tuesday 8th November 2pm—Drawing and painting portraits.

Year 3 - Thursday 10th November 2pm—The Stone Age.

Year 5 - Wednesday 16th November 2pm— Ancient Chinese Shang Dynasty.

Shoe Box Appeal

This year we are supporting FSCI's Christmas box appeal to help spread joy to thousands of people, fight poverty and prevent modern slavery. Please can all boxes be sent into school by Friday.

What can be in the box:

Toiletries - soap, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrush, face-cloth, sponge, wet wipes, deodorant (roll-on only), comb, brush, razors, shaving foam.

New clothes - gloves, scarf, hat, underwear, socks, baby-grows.

Stationery - pens, pencils, notepads, erasers, colouring books, crayons.

Toys - vehicles, teddies, jigsaws, balls, dolls, skipping rope.

Other - make up (new only), sewing kits, candles, small household tools, sweets, hair accessories, wind-up torch.



Harvest Festival

A big thank you for all of your Harvest Festival donations. They were donated to the Trussell Trust food bank in Peterborough where they were gratefully received.

Year 3 Trip to Flag Fen

Year 3 had an amazing day out at Flag Fen on Monday 17th October, as part of our topic called 'Through the Ages' where we were learning about British prehistory from the Stone Age to the Iron Age. We found out about how the people in our local area lived, and realised how hard it was to survive, and how they had to depend on each other to do this. We learnt about how people had to catch, grow, and make everything for themselves and how as a race we evolved over time.

We learnt to build our own shelter using the wattle and daub technique, learning how to weave willow, and mixing mud, clay, straw, manure, and water to hold it all together. It was very messy, but we worked as a team and had so much fun!

We learnt how to hunt down a deer for food, as well as understanding how every part of the animal was used. We all managed to stab the straw deer with a spear, so we know we could have survived!

