

Westoning Lower School News

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THIS WEEK AT WLS ...

Dear Parent/Carer

We have come to the end of our second week back and it is truly like we have never been away! We have been blessed with good weather this week which has meant the children have been able to enjoy lots of time outside in the fresh air. They have also been thinking about the positive things that they are looking forward to and each class is creating a display with their future hopes and aspirations. There are some photos included on this week's newsletter.

This week the WLS Local Governing Board met virtually to elect a new Chair for the year and receive updates on the start back to school. Mr Steve Alcock and Mrs Kate Minor are currently co-chairs of the Board and a Governor update is attached to this newsletter with more information. We are looking forward to working together, and also alongside the MAT Trustee Board to build on the successes of our school.

We are very pleased that we have finally negotiated the reinstatement of hot school lunches by Luton Borough Catering. As a staff team, we feel that it is really important that the school offers a hot meal in the day, particularly as the days start to get colder. Children in Saturn, Jupiter and Mars classes receive free school meals under the Universal Infant School meals scheme. Stars, Venus and Mercury Classes can order a meal which costs £2.35. You should have received communication about this via Parent Mail, along with a form to fill in to pre-order hot meals. Where possible we ask that the form is filled in each week to pre-order for the following week. This help both Flitwick kitchen and ourselves plan the lunchtimes safely to stay in line with our COVID secure guidelines. If you do need to order on the day, please email the school office on office@westoninglowerschool.co.uk by 8.30am that morning so we can update the kitchen. Please let Mrs Debock know if you have not received this information.

Mrs Jacqui Boyle - Head Teacher

SCHOOL LOTTERY

WLS is part of the Your School Lottery which is run by WLS PTA.

With all PTA fundraising events cancelled since lockdown, the Lottery has become an essential fundraiser for WLS and with the strict restrictions on social distancing it is likely that this will continue to be for the foreseeable future.

As a supporter of Your School Lottery you are guaranteed a chance of winning cash prizes every week plus a chance of winning the jackpot of £25,000. Tickets cost £1 each week.

You do not have to be a parent or a carer of a pupil at the school, anyone can join, ie Grandparents, aunts, uncles, members of the community.

If you would like to become a supporter please click on the link below, or search yourschoollottery.co.uk and type in Westoning. If you would prefer to speak to the PTA about it please contact Tricia Moxey of WLS PTA (mum of Louis in Year 1) on 07878 799224.

REPORTING ABSENCE

If your child is unwell we ask that you are specific about the symptoms that your child has as we are required to monitor for suspected cases of Covid 19. If your child develops a new continuous cough and/or temperature and/or loss or change of taste and/or smell please keep your child away from school. Other symptoms that are common in children before developing these usual symptoms are sickness and diarrhoea. Obviously there are all the usual illnesses and ailments that children have and we will follow the usual Health Protection Agency Guidelines for these illnesses.

This Month's Value is Responsibility

Responsibility is about thinking before you act and being accountable for your actions. It is also paying attention to others and responding to their needs.

The price of greatness is responsibility.

Winston Churchill.

Find joy in everything you choose to do. Every job, relationship, home... it's your responsibility to love it, or change it.

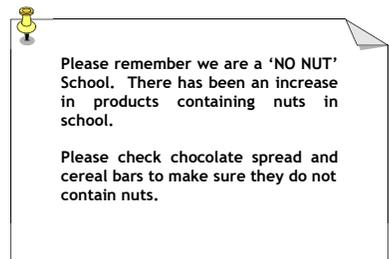
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IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

26th–30th October - Half Term
 2nd November - INSET Day
 3rd November - Children Back in School
 18th December - Last day of term
 21st Dec - 1st Jan - Christmas Holiday
 4th January–INSET DAY

KEY

- Parent/Child Event
- Information Purposes Only



THIS WEEK'S ATTACHMENTS

Week 3 Dinner Menu
 Governors Update
 PTA Lottery
 Local Fitness Class



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OFFICE TEAM AVAILABILITY

There will be somebody in the office every day to answer any queries you may have between 8.30am - 3.45pm.

GOVERNOR SURGERY

The Governors hold a drop in Surgery every Tuesday morning from 9am-10am.