



SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM NEWSLETTER

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"We, at Welton have a dream that our children will be proud, happy and confident; knowing that they are being nurtured, challenged and encouraged to ignite their own unique spark of genius, so that it catches fire and shines."

September has been a busy month at Welton. It has been lovely to meet new children and families as well as welcoming new staff to the school. Mrs Saleh is now completely one of the Welton family!

School Improvement

This year's priorities for improvement are:-

- Ensuring pupils are equally successful in reading, writing and mathematics;
- Further developing an ambitious curriculum that produces high levels of knowledge and skills;
- Embedding a respectful school culture that promotes pupil motivation and positive attitudes to learning.

School Governance

The Governing Body have visited the school this month to complete monitoring activities with the staff. In addition, they have recently completed training on the new OFSTED framework, analysing the school's data, and safeguarding and prevent training. The Governor's role is a strategic one, holding the school to account for its core purpose of teaching and learning across the entire curriculum.

Open Morning



The Open Morning for children starting school in September 2020 took place on Saturday 28 September 2019, where we were visited by the Purple Pig Company who had lots of lovely baby farm animals for the children to meet!



Parents of children starting school in September 2020 are now welcome to visit the school in the school day - please email of-
fice@weltonprimaryschool.com if you would like to take us up on this offer.

FOWS

The FOWS AGM will be taking place on Monday 21 October at 6.30pm. Everyone is welcome to attend and it would be lovely to see some new members joining the committee and helping support our lovely school. FOWS is an organisation dedicated to raising funds to provide extra resources for Welton Primary School to enrich the educational experiences of the children.



Parent Workshops

Thank you to all of the Foundation Parents who attended the phonics workshop during September to learn the basics about how the school teaches phonics in the Foundation classroom.

Coming up in the next few months are a Year 1 Phonics Parents Workshop and an E-Safety Workshop.

Invitations have been sent out on parentmail, however if you haven't had chance to respond please email office@weltonprimaryschool.com if you would like to attend.

Behaviour at Welton Primary School

Restorative practice continues to be embedded throughout the school building on last years successes. For those of you who may not be aware, this involves a set of principles and practice that encourages children to take responsibility for their behaviour by thinking through the causes and consequences. It is all about developing, maintaining and repairing relationships, building a community based around empathy and self-learning. This approach is having a real impact in the school and we feel our next steps are to build on this success and review our approaches to behaviour and safety.

To develop this further, we sought advice from behaviour specialist, Paul Dix, from Pivotal Education and we have invested in further behaviour and safety training that will very shortly be rolled out across the school.



Over the course of the coming weeks listen out as your child may come home explaining some changes to the behaviour strategies and practice in our school. So, I would like to take this opportunity to introduce you to the basics of changes that we will be taking.



We will be refining the rules of our school so your child may tell you that there have less rules. We will be working together to slim down the rules so there are just three. This is going to give all adults the opportunity to be truly consistent when supporting your children.

Our focus is on ensuring we give first attention to best conduct, so this means greater focus on what we call 'over and above' positive behaviour such as: making good choices; displaying good manners; being polite and hardworking. We believe children who make these choices deserve greater recognition. We're hoping that this will enable us to give you more positive notes, phone calls and conversations and that together we can celebrate the great choices your children are making.

You can expect all adults in our school to be involved in helping your child to be self-disciplined. They will be teaching your children new routines that constantly raise the standards of behaviour in class day after day.

For children who struggle to follow the rules, we will be using planned scripted restorative intervention which the children will become familiar with. This will help our children reflect on the behaviour choices they have made and will help them in making the right choices to repair the harm and adjust their behaviour in the future. Rather than children feeling punished for the choices they made, the adults in the school will hold conversations with the children and time will be spent catching up on any learning they may have missed.

We want you to really understand the way we have invested in this approach so if you would like to know a little more, please take a glance at the Pivotal Education website where you should find a few podcasts that are freely available for you to listen to.

Thank you, for taking the time to read this information and if you have any questions or would like to know more information please make an appointment to see Mrs Saleh (Deputy Head Teacher), who is our licenced Pivotal Instructor.

Upcoming Dates:

Week commencing 21 October	Parent's Evenings
Monday 21 October	FOWS AGM
Thursday 24 October	Diwali afternoon in Foundation
Thursday 24 October	Break up for Half Term
Monday 4 November	Back to School
Thursday 7 November	E-Safety Workshop
Monday 11 November	Hands on History Museum - Year 4
Tuesday 12 November	Murton Park - Year 3
Wednesday 13 November	Wilderspin – Year 2
Thursday 14 November	Flu Vaccinations
Tuesday 26 November	Wilberforce Museum—Year 6
Monday 2 December	Foundation Christmas Craft Morning
Tuesday 10 December	Christmas Lunch
Friday 13 December	Foundation Nativity pm
Tuesday 17 December	Pantomime and Class Parties
Wednesday 18 December	Foundation Nativity pm
	Family Carol Service at St Helen's Church
Friday 20 December	Break up for Christmas Holidays

**INDIVIDUAL
SCHOOL PHOTOS
WILL BE TAKING
PLACE ON
THURSDAY (17
OCTOBER)**

Stay and Read

Year 1 and Year 2 have had lovely mornings this week, inviting parents to 'Stay and Read' with their children. We hope you all enjoyed it - we know the children did! Here are some of the lovely photographs from the morning:-

**Grandparents Morning**

Foundation welcomed Grandparents to join them in spending some time with their grandchildren for a morning at the



beginning of October. They had a wonderful time and the feedback was extremely positive. They were amazed how well the children had settled into the class and the

children loved showing them around their classroom.



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New Starters

As well as the Foundation children, 13 other children starting school at Welton Primary in September. They have all settled in amazingly and we hope they are enjoying their new school.

Educational Visits

Year 6 children visited Grimsby Docks for a tour run by Associated British Ports and then on to the Grimsby Fishing Heritage Centre as part of their Geography topic looking at how geographical features support industry.



There are lots more educational visits booked in for the rest of this term:-

- Year 4 will be going to the Hands on History Museum in Hull to study The Egyptians
- Murton Park will be holding a workshop for Year 3 children on the Stone Age
- Year 2 will be going to Wilderspin to study the Victorians
- Year 6 are going to the Wilberforce Museum to learn about William Wilberforce;
- And the whole school will be going to the pantomime in December!

Harvest Festival

Thank you to everyone for the wonderful contributions towards the Harvest Festival. These contributions were sent to The Salvation Army at William Booth House in Hull, who offer accommodation, food and support to 92 homeless people in Hull and they send a message of thanks to our school community.

Road Safety

Bikeability has taken place this half term for some Year 5 pupils. Coming up next term are Pedestrian Training for Year 4 and Scooter Training for Year 2!

Sports Day

We finally managed to have our rescheduled Sports Day for Years 1 - 6 in September. The weather was so much better than in the summer term!

The feedback from the changes to the KS1 Sports Day was extremely positive and we are pleased that parents enjoyed joining in with their children in the activities. It was lovely to see the children who don't always enjoy the competitiveness of Sports Day enjoying themselves with their parents, as well as seeing the competitiveness spirit coming through from some of the parents!

We look forward to the next Sports Day at the end of the summer term 2020 and welcoming the new Foundation parents to our special day.

Parking

Please can I remind all parents that the car park is for staff and visitors to the school only. Parents must not park in the car park. Thank you.

We have had many phone calls and messages regarding the parking around the school at pick up time. Many of the calls have been worried about the safety of the school children and therefore we would ask you to consider carefully where you are parking.

Foundation Teddy Bear Picnic

The Foundation class welcomed the new children from Welton Green Door last month to join them in a Teddy Bear Picnic! The children took part in some traditional party games such as 'Pin the bow on the Teddy Bear', 'Duck duck goose' and 'Musical Statues', decorating a teddy bear biscuit, and making a party hat.

Water Bottles

Please remember that water bottles must contain water only. Thank you.

Book Bags

A further reminder to parents that only book bags are allowed in school, along with PE bags. Normal ruck sacks, handbags etc are not permitted. Every child requires a book bag. Thank you.