



NEWSLETTER

School Vision

Our children will leave Welton proud, happy and confident.

They will know how to be kind and always try to do their best.

Our pupils will be academically successful and have a lifelong love of learning.

Our school family will nurture, challenge, and lead our pupils, igniting their unique spark of genius.



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Spring Term 2025

An exceptionally busy and successful term at Welton. We have enjoyed welcoming the Welton Family to join us in school for so many occasions this term. The children are always so excited to share their work and classrooms with you all. Thank you for supporting these events.



Class Led Events



Shrove Tuesday offered Year 5 pupils the chance to educate their parents on the significance of eating pancakes on this day and the start of Lent. Although we couldn't facilitate pancakes, it was also an opportunity for children to work with their parents to create the perfect pancake design to celebrate the special things in our lives.

Year 6 celebrated the Hindu Festival of Holi. This is the festival of colours, love and spring, and the children worked with their parents to produce art-work reflecting the vibrancy of the occasion.

It was a very enjoyable event and we discovered we have some very gifted families.



Year 3 joined our families to consider the importance of Ramadan. The Welton Family, worked together to make lanterns to remind us to not give up, seek wisdom (Be A Learner) and to connect with our community.

Music at Welton

The school choir joined other partnership schools at South Hunsley for A Spring Festival, singing their favourite Disney songs. An amazing evening. We were so proud!





We enjoyed three exceptional themed days with the help and support of the Welton Family. Our community is a special one.

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Explorers Day

Our Humanities Theme Day in February was enjoyed by the whole school. The children learnt about explorers past, present and future. We were joined by Emma Waslin who taught the children about Mary Wollstonecraft, a pioneer of the past. Libby Jackson OBE, who was a Flight Director at the European Space Agency's Mission Control for the International Space Station, spoke to the children about the exploration of the future. We were lucky enough to have some parental involvement from a dad in Year 3, a modern-day explorer who makes regular trips to the Antarctic to study birds and eco-systems.



Engineering Day

March saw our most recent theme day focus on Science and Maths. The children learnt about local engineering projects linked to parents at the school, in relation to sustainability and solving environmental problems. KCOM came to visit and spoke to the children about their work. EcoGroup Hull delivered lots of information about how engineering helps to heat homes, and engineers from Doggerbank challenged the children to build their own windfarm model to see how energy can be created from wind power. The children were very proud of what they created, and everyone had a fantastic day.



World Book Day

April 2nd saw Welton celebrate World Book Day. The children came to school dressed in a wide array of different costumes to portray their favourite book characters. We had a visit from Saviour Pirotta, a local author who writes children's books based on Greek Myths, among other things. He spoke to the children about the writing process as well as sharing funny tales, demonstrating the power of oral story telling!

Children in KS1 joined an online puppet presentation of Stick Man, which again showed how stories can be shared and made interactive with puppets and a range of actions.

The whole school were also fortunate to have a full session with Flexdance to learn a dance routine based on a range of books. These sessions were kindly donated to the school and the children, and staff, had a great time joining in and learning moves to tell stories.





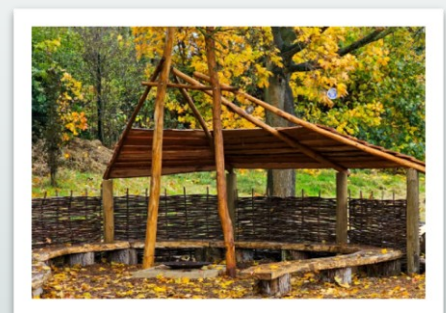
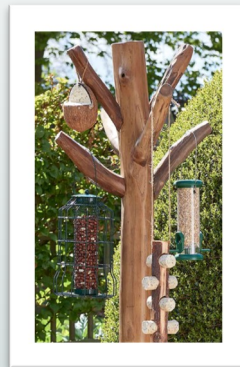
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Successful bid with the Highway Agency

We are delighted to share that we have recently been successful in securing a bid with the Highway Agency for a staggering £8759.27! The funding will be used to develop our forest school area, which is located at the back of the school field. We want the area to be used for many purposes: a place to explore nature at breaktimes and lunchtimes; an outdoor classroom style spot for curriculum learning; an area for forest school lessons in Creative Context; and a calming place for children to connect with nature and 'just be'. The bid will allow us to build a sheltered seating area, a bird hide with binoculars, bird feeding stations and large logs and animal houses to attract wildlife. This will create the perfect area for science learning linked to habitats and living things across KS1 and 2. A water butt, composter and rakes will allow the children to maintain the area independently.

To allow the area to be used all year round, a path will be laid from the playground to the forest space.

Over time, the existing hedgerow and trees will grow to create a more secluded woodland feel. Look out for updates on our Instagram page and subsequent newsletters as the project unfolds!



Nurturing Schools Programme

We are proud to prioritise the social and emotional needs of our pupils at Welton. We already have a strong core offer for all pupils through our PHSE curriculum and bespoke daily Welton Wellbeing sessions. We are always looking for ways to develop this provision further, so are currently taking part in the National Nurturing Schools Programme alongside Nurture UK: the world's leading authority for nurture in education. Over two years, we will further develop how we embed The 6 Principles of Nurture across school:

Children's learning is understood developmentally

The classroom offers a safe base

We understand the importance of nurture for the development of wellbeing

We know that language is a vital means of communication

We understand that all behaviour is communication

We acknowledge the importance of transition in the lives of children.

On successful completion of the programme, our school will receive the Nurture UK Nurture award.

Comic Relief

In addition to all the other exceptional achievements of the Welton Family this term, the Whole School held a Giant Cake Sale. We raised an amazing £597 for the Charity. Year Groups were vying for the top funding raiser spot and Year 4 just topped the leader board with an impressive £137.



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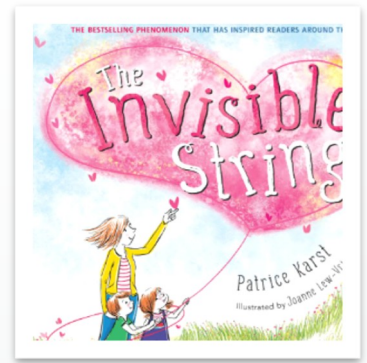
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Parent Workshops

This year Mrs Millar, Mrs Leitch and Mrs Jones have been running a range of parent workshops to help support with elements of parenting. They all have different elements to offer as SEMH, Mental Health and Family Links trained professionals. The sessions are informal and aim to be supportive with a range of ideas and strategies that can be tried at home. Mrs Leitch is also a huge advocate for high quality therapeutic stories and so can share a range of books that can be a gentle way into a subject which might be tricky for children to talk about.



This term there are two sessions coming up; one on managing big feelings (16.5.25) and one on resilience and preparing for change (27.6.25). Emails will be sent out inviting you to join nearer the time but please make a note of the dates



Morning Routines are Changing

Welton Primary School is one of a very small number of East Riding Schools working with the DfE to explore the feasibility of a free element to Before School Care. To enable us to provide this free element; sustain the earlier, paid Before School Care and protect the pre-teaching session, drop off arrangements will be different for some groups of children.

No Change - Paid Before School Care from 7.30am - Drop-off your children at the Reception Entrance as usual, breakfast served from 8am

NEW - Free Before School Care - Drop your child at the Main School Gate at 8.20am - The gate will be locked again just before 8.25am. There is no facility for late entry due to breakfast provision. EYFS children booked into the Free Breakfast Club can wait with the member of staff who will take them into school to be registered.

CHANGE - Pre-teach starts at 8.30am (all children already in school will go to pre-teach as soon as they have eaten breakfast). Drop your child at the main school entrance at 8.25am to ensure a prompt start.

CHANGE OF TIME - Normal Start of the School Day - Main Gates will open a little after 8.45am and close 5 mins later. - Late arrival via the school reception entrance

If you have signed up for the free childcare and your child has been invited for pre-teach, they should enter school via the main school gate at 8.20am and they will be given breakfast before going to pre-teach.

Mrs Pidgeon

Dates for the Diary

Please check these dates. There are changes and new dates to note.

Tuesday 22 nd April	Return to school
Tuesday 22 nd April	Year 1 Visit – Amy Johnson
Thursday 24 April	Class Photographs
Tuesday 29 April	Stay and Read Y6 and EYFS
Wednesday 30 th April	Y6-Growing Up Talk by School Nursing Team
Thursday 1 May	Stay and Read Y1 and Y3
Friday 2 May	Stay and Read Y2 and Y4, Y5
Friday 2 May	Y7 Head of Year Visit
Monday 5 th May	Bank Holiday
Thursday 8 th May	VE Day – Wear Red, White and Blue. Bring a Picnic Lunch
Thursday 8 th May	EYFS – New Entrants Parents Evening – September 2025
Wk. May 12 th	KS2 SATS Week
Monday 12 th May	Year 3 – Saxons and Vikings, Hull
Friday 16 th May	Parent Workshop – Managing Big Feelings
Sunday 18 th – Wed 21 st May	Year 5 - PGL
Wednesday 21 st May	Y6 (Y5 not at PGL) – Driffield Show Farming Visit
Thursday 22 nd May	Last Day of Half Term
Friday 23 rd May	Training Day
Monday 2 nd June	Return to school
Wk. June 2 nd	Y4 Times Tables Test
Friday 6 th June	Y1 - Class Led Celebration - Passover
Wk. June 9 th	Y1 Phonics Assessment Week
Wednesday 18 th June	Theme Day – People who help us/World of Work*
Tuesday 24 June	Stay and Read Y6 and EYFS
Wednesday 25 June	Stay and Read Y5
Thursday 26 June	Stay and Read Y1 and Y3
Thursday 26 June	Year 6 Transition Day
Thursday 26 June	FOWS Disco
Friday 27 June	Stay and Read Y2 and Y4
Friday 27 June	Year 6 Festival of Sport at South Hunsley
Friday 27 th June	Parent Workshop – Resilience/Preparing for Change
Thursday 3 July	Sports Day and Picnic EYFS, Y1, Y2, Y3 am Y4, Y5, Y6 pm
Friday 4 th July	FOWS Summer Fayre
Tue 8 th /Wed 9 th /Fri 11 th July	SEND Evenings
Thursday 10 th July	Meet the Teacher Night - Y1-Y6
Friday 11 th July	Move Up Afternoon
Last week of Term	FOWS Surprise Event for the Children
Monday 14 th July	Open Classrooms
Tuesday 15 th July	Whole School Visit- Nature and Wellbeing. Normanby Hall
Wednesday 16 July	Y6 Leavers Trip
Thursday 17 July	Leaver Assembly -pm
Friday 18 th July	Last Day of Term
Monday 21 st and 22 nd July	Training Days
Tuesday 2 September	2025 Academic Year Starts

* Can you offer a workshop or short talk about your job/place of work ?