



# SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM NEWSLETTER

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### Time for Reflection

A hard but rewarding year for the Welton Family. There has been so much to celebrate and the children continue to make us very proud to be part of our school community. We have participated in events old and new, had successes and defeats but one thing remains constant, the children of Welton demonstrate their uniqueness, their genius and their ability to form caring relationships across the school family.



As well as taking time to look back on the year we are always looking forward to the next year and how we can continue to grow and excel.

### Endings and beginnings

On Friday we said goodbye to pupils and staff. We had an amazing celebration to mark these significant milestones.

#### **Goodbye:**

- Miss Atkinson is beginning a PGCE course and will soon be starting her career as a teacher.
- Mr Beaumont and Mrs Smith have completed an intensive period of support for pupils and are going on to new schools to support and work with pupils beyond our setting.
- Mrs Newlove has left us to build a career outside of teaching and although she will be a significant loss to the teaching profession we want her to fulfil her dreams and be very happy.
- Mrs Segrott missed her specialist work in the secondary sector and returns to teaching modern foreign languages at an East Riding High School.
- Mr Lomas is taking his considerable skills and knowledge to specialist teaching at a secondary school in the Local Authority. Our loss is most certainly their gain.
- Mrs Andrew has left Welton School after almost 25 years. She estimates that she has taught at least 1200 pupils in this time. Mrs Andrew has contributed in so many ways to the school over this time. It is the end of an era but for Mrs Andrew a new chapter too.

#### **Welcome:**

- Miss Holey is joining us in Year 2, she brings lots of sporting expertise with a particular interest and talent in hockey and netball.
- Dr Oldridge (to be known as Miss Oldridge) is joining the Year 6 team and has a passion and expertise in science.
- Mr Dixon will be found in Year 1. He finds time beyond work to work with scouts and cubs and brings his skills in basketball to the team.

### **Welton's Leaders**

Leadership is an essential life skill and at Welton we are committed to sustaining our school and our community through developing these skills.

The pupils of Welton have many opportunities to learn and experience leadership. They participate in the young sports leaders programme, led by Mrs Millar, some children are appointed to being peer mentors and school councillors and all our Year 4, 5 and 6 children have leadership responsibilities across the school day.

We currently have three teachers engaged in the National Professional Qualification for Middle Leaders who will be focusing on improving pupil outcomes through their studies.

### Continual Improvement to School Facilities

Over the summer we are having some long awaited improvements and some exciting improvements made to the site:

The oldest girls' and boys' toilets are being completely refurbished thanks to the local authority and the new toilets will look amazing. The playground is being re-surfaced and then we will be able to ask the FOWS for some new markings to enhance our break times. You will also be pleased to hear the issues in the school kitchen will be resolved so we will no longer be in danger of not being able to cook lunches. Finally we will have a muga at the end of the school field which will enhance the school's sporting facilities and break time activities.

### Amazing end to the school year!

The Year 6 children had the most amazing end to their primary school life last week!

All of their hard work since SATS, preparing for the fabulous production of the Lion King, paid off with the most spectacular show. They did it all - costumes, make-up, programmes, ticket designs etc and every single child in the year took a part in some way. The back-stage crew took their job very seriously - changing the scenery, music and props at the right time and in the right order. The performers blew the audience away with their acting, singing and even comedy moments! The most successful production ever at Welton Primary School. The faces of the audience said it all - they laughed, cried and beamed with pride! All six performances amazed everyone and we are all proud of the whole year group.



To follow on from the performance, the year group had an exciting 'treat' trip to celebrate their end of primary school life, followed by a BBQ and chilled afternoon on the school field. FOWS held a disco for all children in the school, but the Year 6's were treated to a 'Red Carpet Disco', having lots of lovely photographs to remember the night with. Finally, after a busy day collecting autographs and crying whilst wearing their Leaver Hoodies (organised by a parent) they took off to Welton Waters to take part in rafting activities (again, organised by a parent) and finishing with an ice-cream.



We have no doubt that all of the children were absolutely shattered at the end of a very busy and emotional week!

### J Rock Challenge

Following on from our successful J Rock performance earlier in the year, we are excited to announce that Welton Primary School have won a 2018 National Award for 'Best Video Performance'! A huge well done to all Miss Richardson and Mrs Andrew and all of the children for this special recognition.



### Revision to accident procedures from September 2018

From September 2018 we will be revising our procedures for head bumps. Rather than phoning a parent to inform them of the bump, we will be sending out a parentmail. We would recommend that you download the parentmail app so that you see when you have notifications during the day. You will receive the bump note as normal in your child's bookbag at the end of the school day which will give you a bit more information. Obviously, if we feel that the bump is more significant, we will contact parents by telephone.



### Welton Primary School Choir

There has been music echoing between the walls of Welton Primary throughout the year!

With the support of our pianist, Mrs Rudland, new doors of opportunities have opened to our school Choir.

After the Christmas concert at St Helen's Church, the Choir began preparing for their first ever Music Festival. It was a fantastic opportunity to hear other choirs and showcase our talents. A Second place was an amazing start to this, hopefully continuing, tradition.

In the meantime there were numerous occasions when the choir delighted the school in assemblies; not only the choir, but Years One and Two also have sang in front of their peers.

In May the Choir performed at a Welton Summer Concert, where family and friends enjoyed an evening of entertainment. Last but not least we had the Little Brid Sing and the Big Brid Sing to work towards to.

Year One and Two have enjoyed showcasing the songs they learned for this event at a mini concert for family and friends. Both year groups and the Choir have enjoyed this trip to Bridlington Spa with a live band, lots of children and fun songs. This singalong concert meant that each of our budding singer's year has ended with a music filled BANG!

### Sporting Success!

Since the Spring Term, Mrs Millar has been running before school netball training sessions for children in Years 5 and 6, with the knowledge that they would be entered into the East Riding Netball League again this year. We are so excited to announce that the hard work and training has paid off and this has been our best ever season! Welton 'B' team came second in the league and Welton 'A' team came third! We are so proud of all of the children!

We also had teams entered into a tennis and cricket competition this term, with excellent performances from all of the children. What makes us more proud is the compliments that the school receives for the outstanding sportsmanship of all of our children.

Three of our Year 6 boys played for the East Riding football team in the national cup finals of English schools football association nations cup during May. Well done boys!



Over the last few weeks, many pupils have taken part in the recruitment process to become a Peer Mentor. The volume of applications (over 60 for 20 places) demonstrated how much the role is valued in our school. However, this made it very difficult to select from such a strong range of carefully thought out application forms. We would like to thank everyone who had the courage to apply and for the resilience faced if not selected. The Peer Mentors who have been selected will sign a contract that highlights their key responsibilities, particularly relating to being reliable, punctual and helpful. Their role is to support pupils on the playground, being ready to listen to their worries and signpost them to the right person or course of action. We look forward to reporting on their hard work next year.

### Open Morning for new entrants to school in September 2019

The school held a very successful Open Morning in July for children starting school in September 2019. Although it seems early to be thinking about your child's school choice, parents will be receiving a letter in September 2018 to ask them to make a choice. We will be holding another Open Morning on Saturday 29 September 2018—please pass on this date to anyone you know who is due to start school next year.

Why choose Welton Primary School? These are some of the lovely comments that we have received from parents whose children have just left the school:-

*"It's been a great journey from start to finish and we really value not only the education you've provided but also the huge part you've all played in shaping him into the young man that we're so proud of."*

*"I know you've got a wonderful team of leaders, teaching and support staff there that have all contributed so much in giving him these amazing years. We're grateful to all of you and wouldn't have wanted him to have been anywhere else."*

*"To the fabulous team at Welton—thank you for all of your support and nurturing during our children's time at Welton. Precious memories for all of us"*

*"Thank you to all the hard working, dedicated and caring staff at Welton Primary who have steered my grandson so well through the first years in his educational career ... I hope he faces the new challenges High School will bring with vigour and determination having been well prepared at Welton"*



### DIARY DATES

Tuesday 4 September	Back to School
Wednesday 12 September	Robinwood Meeting - Year 5
Thursday 13 September	Year 6 Educational Visit to Butterfly World
Friday 28 September	Harvest Festival
Saturday 29 September	
Thursday 18 October	Individual Photographs
Week Commencing 22 October	Parent Evenings
Thursday 25 October	Break up for half term
Monday 5 November	Back to school
Wednesday 12 December	KS1 Crib Service
	KS2 Carol Service
	6.30pm Carol Service at St Helen's Church, Welton
Friday 14 December	Foundation Nativity
Monday 17 December	Foundation Nativity
Tuesday 18 December	Whole School Pantomime trip
	Class Parties
Thursday 20 December	Christmas Dinner
Friday 21 December	Break up for Christmas

### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

We have had to change one of the training days for next year:-

We will be having a training day on Friday 26 October instead of Friday 5 April.





### Year 5 Residential Visit to Robinwood

The pinnacle of Year 5 is the residential visit to prepare them for Year 6! They get to spend time with their new teachers whilst bonding with their classmates and taking part in activities which encourage teamwork and bring out their inner strengths!

A huge thank you to all the staff who volunteer to attend the residential in their free time to support the children.

A wonderful, but tiring (and very hot!) time was had by all.



**A Robinwood meeting will be held on Wednesday 12 September for new Year 5 parents to come and see what the plans are for next year!**

### Home School Agreement

Thank you to everyone for their fabulous contributions to the Home School Agreement. The children love to scrutinise the display to find their families, their teachers and their friends jigsaw piece. Our promises will be part of our development of promoting positive behaviour across the school community.

#### **Our promises:**

- To have respect for and take responsibility for ourselves.**
- To have respect and tolerance for others.**
- To have respect for the environment.**
- To have respect for rules.**
- To value the community**

