

CHRISTMAS 2018

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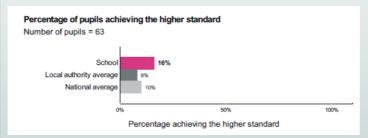
We are proud to be able to see our vision becoming reality

"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."

As you are probably aware we were delighted with the school's performance results; to recap:

- The progress pupils of Welton make exceeds many of the outstanding schools in the Local Authority and all of the schools in our locality.
- Overall performance is the most accurate measure of schools' achievements as it looks at how much progress each pupil has made.
- Performance in reading was well above average, compared with schools nationally, and 6th strongest out of 141 LA schools.
- Performance in writing was above average compared with schools nationally, and 15th strongest out of 141 LA schools.
- Performance in maths was average nationally and was the strongest (shared with another school) result in our locality schools. As our priority improvement area this will soon be even stronger.

In addition the school's achievements for pupils who achieve the higher standard at the end of key stage 2 is equally impressive:



As 2018 draws to a close I would like to thank the team of Welton Primary School for their dedication to exception outcomes for pupils whether this be academic or the outstanding nurturing of the whole child.

EYFS

At a time of year when families are thinking carefully about their children starting school we are feeling very proud of our Early Years Foundation Unit. Recent monitoring has demonstrated that our key worker approach is having a very positive impact on the success of our youngest children. The children of Welton are very fortunate to be supported by early years' practitioners and teachers in very small groups throughout the school day. They participate in structured teaching activities and explore learning through carefully planned practical learning which is resulting in outstanding progress across all areas of learning. The children are already becoming critical thinkers able to evaluate the success of their ideas and give suggestions for improvement. I teach every Wednesday in the EYFS classroom and it is definitely one of my favourite times of the week as I can see first hand the fantastic progress they are making.







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CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS

The school has been full of the Christmas spirit for the last few weeks of the Autumn Term!

We started the festivities with a Christmas Craft Morning in Foundation, where the parents spent the morning making lots of lovely Christmas items including wrapping paper, cards etc! We hope you all enjoyed seeing how much your children have settled in to school life in their

first term.

Key Stage 1 then took part in their Annual Crib Service at St Helen's Church and Key Stage 2 enjoyed their Christmas Carol Service.

FOWS Christmas Fair was a huge success, raising £2000 for the children at Welton Primary School. A lot of hard work and effort goes into preparing for the fair and we would like to thank the members of the Committee for all of their commitment.

The Foundation Nativity this year was called 'Lights, Camel, Action!' and the children were all absolute super stars! We hope everyone enjoyed the show as much as we did. They had to perform it 4 times - once to the whole school, once to the local nurseries and then twice to the parents!

The pantomime visit took place on Tuesday, to Grimsby Auditorium to see 'Beauty and the Beast', followed by class parties which the children thoroughly enjoyed!

Christmas Dinner was a success yesterday, with approximately 325 children and 25 staff enjoying the festivities to Christmas songs. The catering team did a fantastic job and all staff helped to make the lunchtime a success.

This morning we have enjoyed a very special Christingle Assembly, where Isabelle Richardson (Mrs Richardson's daughter) played the harp, Felipe Delaney played the piano and Reverend Holdsworth prompted everyone to think about reaching out beyond ourselves. All of our children sang beautifully too, and there was a reflective and happy atmosphere.

The children will return to school on Tuesday 8 January 2019.







