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Dear Parents,

Break the Rules Day has once again been a HUGE success with the children simply loving the concept and embracing it fully! Some great creativity has been shown so thank you all for supporting the school and PTFA with this fundraising. Their next fundraising event will be the disco on 7th February.

Tag Rugby

Mr Hillier enjoyed taking a group of Year 5/6 children to Ansford on Wednesday for the Tag Rugby tournament. The children played other schools during the afternoon and thoroughly enjoyed the experience with some great play and teamwork.

Year 4 Team Building

Our next visit to Ansford will be next week with the Year 4 children going for a Team Building afternoon. Permission letters have been sent out this week via Parent Mail.

World Book Day

We celebrate World Book Day every year and this year it will be on March 7th. There is no expectation that children dress up as book characters but if they choose to come to school on that day dressed as one that is fine. We would, however, like all children to take part in our World Book Day activity which is to create a book character from toilet roll and bring it to school on 7th March. I know how creative our children are, so I cannot wait to see what they produce! Below are some starting ideas:



Entry and exit to school

I know that our entrance to school is a challenge but please can I ask that as many of you as possible try to stick to the one way system which is in through the white gate

and exit through the green gate to the footpath. This is not suitable for people with pushchairs but if people without pushchairs used it then the flow of traffic would be far easier. Thank you in advance for your cooperation in this!

Parking

I have once again had complaints from our neighbours about parking and blocking entrances to properties. I am aware that there was also a near miss again when a car was reversing down the road away from outside school. Please, please, please can I remind you that our children's lives are precious to us all and we need to park and drive respectfully around the school site.

Staffing

Mrs Dawson has really enjoyed meeting with parents in the last few weeks and hopes to meet more of you going forward. She is getting to know the children and our school more each day and I am certain she will be contacting those parents who she hasn't met yet going forwards.

Miss Gibson is still unwell currently. I hope to give you an update next week regarding Octopus Class. Mrs Penny, Mrs Nicolls, Mrs Lukins, Mrs Smith and Mrs Gundry are all working with both classes to ensure as much continuity as possible for the children whilst Miss Gibson is away.

Governor Update

Now that we have joined the Trust, our governors have become a Local Committee who lead strategy for the Trust at a school level. The Local Committee carry out duties delegated to them by the directors. More information about governance now we are part of a Trust can be found on the ACE website www.acexcellence.co.uk/ace-governance

Our Local Committee is:

Mrs Claire Wenglorz (Chair)

Mrs Helen Smith (Staff Governor)

Mrs Chris Hobbs

Mr Tim Evans

Mr Keith Bush

Mrs Hannah Gichie (Parent Governor)

Mrs Katie Newth (Clerk)

Things happening locally

WELLS CATHEDRAL

Family Holiday Activities

EXPLORE • CREATE • DISCOVER

Book online at wellscathedral.org.uk/holidays

Saints and Songbirds
February 2024
Kick-off half term with our selection of family trails and creative workshops for children:

- Stitch a Story** Monday 12 February
Explore some of the incredible Cathedral needlework and embroideries, then create your own design.
- Make a Bird Feeder** Tuesday 13 February
Help to feed our feathered friends through the hungry gap, play a card game, and go on a Cathedral safari!
- Celebrate the Saints** Wednesday 14 February
Follow our Saints trail this Valentine's Day! You may not find St Valentine in the Cathedral, but there'll be plenty of lovely crafts on offer!

Scan to book:
Or drop in on the day (subject to availability)
£2.10 per child / £1.10 if eligible for free school meals, accompanying adults FREE.
Please only children must be accompanied by a responsible adult, and only assistance dogs are allowed at our Family Holiday Activities.

Key dates for your diary

29.1.24 Year 6 SATs meeting 3:30pm

30.1.24 Year 4 Team Building at Ansford

6.2.24 Safer Internet Day

7.2.24 Valentines Disco

9.2.24 Pete the Poet visit KS1

9.2.24 School closes

19.2.24 School opens

23.2.24 Girls Football at YTFC

28.2.24 Year 5/6 hockey tournament at Kings Bruton

28.2.24 Mufti for Spring Bingo

28.2.24 Opera plus workshop Year 5/6

1.3.24 Girls Football at YTFC

7.3.24 World Book Day

7.3.24 PTFA Spring Bingo

8.3.24 Girls Football at YTFC

15.3.24 Comic Relief

15.3.24 Girls Football at YTFC

19.3.24 Opera plus workshop Year 5/6

19.3.24.24 Year 5/6 netball tournament at Ansford

20.3.24 Parents evening

21.3.24 Parents evening

22.3.24 Girls Football at YTFC

25.3.24 Bikeability Year 6

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26.3.24 Opera plus dress rehearsal at Ansford plus performance to parents at 5:30pm

28.3.24 Easter Bonnets

28.3.24 School closes

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Starfish - Willow Judson

Sea Otter - Lyla Pearson

Turtle - Eliza Matthews

Octopus - Casper Taylor

Dolphin - Sabir Sarwar

Jellyfish - Esme Lambden

Swordfish - Dawson Pepler

Head teacher's award - Chloe Collings

Kind regards,

Sarah Martin