# Welshampton Church of England Primary School



Growing together in strength, love and wisdom, we shine.

## Newsletter Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2023

#### Message from the Head

It has been a very positive start to the new year with the children settling into their new classes very quickly and showing excellent attitudes to learning. There is a lovely buzz around school, setting high standards for the year ahead.

I am very impressed with our Year 6 children who have all stepped up to their new leadership roles and are doing a fabulous job of setting a good example to the younger children. Next week we will announce members of School Parliament.

## **London Trip**

Talking of Parliament... I had the pleasure in leading year 6 children from across the Federation to London on Monday. Travelling by train and tube, we reached Buckingham Palace by 10am. Following our tour of the place we headed to Big Ben and the Houses of Parliament via St James Park and Downing Street.

We were then given a tour inside parliament and had the privilege of seeing both the House of Lords and the House of Commons in action; we missed the Prime Minister by about 30 minutes!

The children then enjoyed a debating workshop before being joined by Local MP, Helen Morgan, who held a Q&A session with children (and staff!)

Following a walk past the London Eye, we headed back on the London Underground to Euston and — after stopping off at Burger King for tea - boarded our train back to Shropshire. It was a wonderful day, and the children were a credit to the school. Thank you to all the staff who accompanied the children on this inspirational, but tiring, day!

#### **Meet the Teacher Event**

Thank you to all those who attended the Meet the Teacher meetings yesterday. I hope you found them useful and informative. Please don't hesitate to contact myself or teachers via Class Dojo with any further questions. Teachers will upload all relevant information to school website class pages.

#### **Friends of Welshampton**

Welshampton Friend's meeting at The Sun on Thursday 21st September at 7.30pm. All welcome.

#### **Forest School**

This week saw the first Forest School session of the year. The Forest School area is in its infancy and will be developed over the course of this year. This will include a new campfire area and we need some help for this to become reality!

We need either 30-ish log stumps to act as stools or, alternatively, timber to make benches to seat the same amount of children. Or a mixture of both! If you think you maybe able to help or know someone who can, please get in touch.





Forest School Schedule 2023/24

Willow Class	12 <sup>th</sup> October	8 <sup>th</sup> February	25 <sup>th</sup> April
	to	to	to
	9 <sup>th</sup> November	7 <sup>th</sup> March	16 <sup>th</sup> May
Beech Class	16 <sup>th</sup> November	14 <sup>th</sup> March	23 <sup>nd</sup> May
	to	to	to
	7 <sup>th</sup> December	18 <sup>th</sup> April	20 <sup>th</sup> June
Oak Class	14 <sup>th</sup> September	11 <sup>th</sup> January	27 <sup>th</sup> June
	to	to	to
	5 <sup>th</sup> October	1st February	16 <sup>th</sup> July

EYFS children will enjoy weekly Forest School sessions on a Thursday morning with Ms Evans.

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## **Champion Curlers!**

On Wednesday, a team of year 5 & 6 children took part in a new-age curling event at The Marches School, Oswestry. The children showed great determination in trying a new sport and quickly gained a new skill. In the first pool the team came joint second place. However, in the second pool, they scored an impressive 14 points in one game which led them to victory.



#### **Attendance**

The top attendees this week are Willow Class with 100%! Overall we have fallen just short of 97% target with 96%.

## **House Captains**

The following children have been duly elected as House Captains and Vice-Captains:

Brimstone:

House Captain – Ava Vice-Captain – Archie Grayling:

House Captain - Mia

Vice-Captain - Emily M & Harry

Peacock:

House Captain – Emily

Vice-Captain – Euan

Congratulations all! I am sure you will lead your Houses with pride, integrity and purpose!

## **Class Dojo Weekly Champions**

Oak Class: Elise, Mia, Ava & Emily O

Beech Class: Zoe & Sophia

Willow Class: Bobby, Mila & Arthur

### **Class Dojo House Winners**

Brimstone: 127 Grayling: 225 Peacock: 128

## Stars of the Week

Willow Class: Zac for his contribution in all lessons Beech Class: Kaden for his effort in writing Oak: Archie for his amazing handwriting

#### **Outside Achievements**

Jack L won a medal for participating in Ellesmere 2K fun run

Michael was awarded Man of the Match in football.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Yours sincerely, Mr Ben Crompton.

