

DIARY DATES

(ALL DATES SUBJECT TO CHANGE)



- WB: Mon 12 March** **Lunch Menu = Week 1**
 Tues 13 March 9.30 am 3C Class Assembly
 3.40 pm Lending Library
 Fri 16 March 8.45 am Wake up Shake up
- WB: Mon 19 March** **Lunch Menu = Week 2**
 Tues 20 March 3.40 pm Lending Library
 Wed 21 March 9.15 am Y5 Inspire session
 Thurs 22 March Y5 Residential visit to Brighthouse
 4M Class Assembly for Parents—details to follow
 Fri 23 March 8.45 am Wake up Shake up
 Y3 Town Hall visit
 Y5 Return from Brighthouse
- WB: Mon 26 March** **Lunch Menu = Week 3**
 Tues 27 March Closing date for Eco competition
 3.40 pm Lending Library
 2.00 pm EYFS Easter Hat Parade – details to follow
 Wed 28 March 9.15 am Infants Gold Assembly
 10.15 am Juniors Gold Assembly
 Thurs 29 March 3.30 pm School closes for Easter Holiday
 Fri 30 March **School Closed for Good Friday**

Other School Closures 2017-2018
Thursday 29 March BREAK UP FOR EASTER HOLIDAY
School closed from Friday 30 March to Monday 16 April 2018
Monday 16 April TEACHER TRAINING DAY
Tuesday 17 April 2018 School open to children

Remember there is always lots of information on the school website :
www.welford.bham.sch.uk



WELFORD NEWS

9 March to 16 March 2018



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From Mrs Foster

Dear Parents/Carers,
 What an unusual start to what will be a very short half term.

World Book Day was brilliant and all children who participated looked fabulous, the event clearly helped to promote a love of reading as children were very excited to lose themselves in a book or two.

Amidst all this excitement the temperatures continued to plummet and then came the snow. First of all, if this disrupted your Class Teacher consultation I apologise and hope you managed to have a conversation on Wednesday 7th March instead. Thank you very much for your support during our emergency closure, we hope you kept safe and warm and that you received our Group Call text regarding school closure. If your contact details have changed or if you did not receive the text please contact the Main Office and let them know.

Already this half term we have had many visitors in school and so many positive comments as to how fabulous Welford children are and the staff couldn't agree more.

Advisors working with the school have visited all Phases and are extremely pleased with the progress we are making against our Ofsted "Requires Improvement" judgement.

The staff are working so hard to ensure children are engaged in their learning, make good progress but have fun at the same time. I feel so proud of the way everyone is working to make a difference and we couldn't do this without your support.

Congratulations to those classes who have successfully achieved our whole school target of 96.5% & above from 9 Feb to 9 Mar 2018	
CLASS	%
BUSES	97.22%
2F	98.05%
5H	96.66%
5W	97.24%

Finally, I am sure you are aware that schools are facing very challenging financial situations as costs rise and funding in real terms decreases. By cutting back significantly we have managed to balance our budget this year but only just. As a school we are faced with the increasingly difficult task of proving a broad, balanced, rich and challenging curriculum that ensures progress for all children with reduced resources. Our Governors and Mrs Danks (Business Manager) are working tirelessly to find solutions and their commitment is brilliant. At Welford we value your opinions and any suggestions you might have to help us in these worrying times would be welcomed.

Thanks for your support.

Mrs C Foster



Pobble is a website that allows us to share our children's writing with a much wider audience beyond the school walls. It also means children can comment positively on each others writing. Therefore we are having a big push regarding 'pobbling' children's writing online and celebrating the amazing work our children are doing with the world! This includes another visit from Pobble to work with children next Wednesday. However, for the children to get the most out of Pobble **we need permission letters back from parents by Tuesday 13 March**. This will give your child the chance to become a published author and receive a code that allows them to view and comment on their friend's work. Newsletters have been given out to children today. Meanwhile, please look at the Pobble website, read some of our children's writing and see how it showcases their writing in a very positive (and safe) way.

WELFORD NURSERY ADMISSIONS

If you, a family member or a friend have a child born between **01/09/2014 – 31/08/2015**

They are eligible for a Nursery place to start in September 2018.

To register for a place, please request an application form from the office. Please also let any families and friends know.

House Events Results

16 February 2018:

Boulton points 1160

Chamberlain points 1130

Watt points 1110

Murdoch 1120

Congratulations to **Boulton** winners of last half term.

Thank you to parents who contributed to House Events day.

We raised £128.10

Black History Competition Winners

Winners

1st Alina Kousar Y5

2nd Shalom Kimani Y5

3rd Jorja Briscoe Y5

Runners up

1st Camran Kounota Y2

2nd Ruqayaah Y5, Hakeem Y4,

Uwais Y3

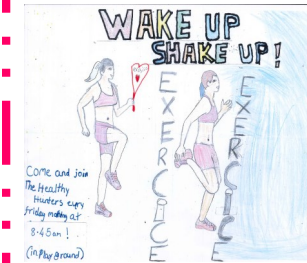
3rd Faiza Kousar Y4

All entries will be displayed in school from next week. Please take the time to come and see our children's work.

World Book Day "Share a Story" Photo



As part of World Book Day activities we are asking for as many children as possible to "Share a Story" with their friends/ family and to take a picture of them doing so (these can be "EXTREME" if you wish). All pictures will be included in a display within school and every child who shares a photo with us will receive a bookmark for their entry. **All entries must be received by Friday 23 March 2018.**



Wake up Shake up Starting Friday 9 March at 8.45 am

Miss Fortner's Eco Team—
The Healthy Hunters have started Wake Up Shake Up again, which takes place every Friday. We hope to see you there.

Eco Competition

Welford needs a new Eco Code!

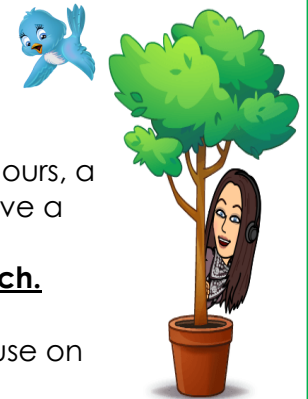
Design an A4 poster that sums up what eco means in our school.

Think about using: illustrations, bold writing, vibrant colours, a catchy slogan you all know how to be creative! Have a look online for some inspiration.

Hand your entry to Miss Fortner by 26th March.



Don't forget to write your name, class and house on the back of it.



SARAH'S COMMUNITY CORNER

Welford's school nurse visits regularly and is available for private appointments during the school day. Please let me know if you would like to speak to her regarding your child's health or wellbeing.
Sarah