

As we start the Spring Term, I would like to take the opportunity to celebrate the hard work of the staff and children and also let you know some of the forthcoming events for this half term.

Teaching Staff for this term - As a reminder the class organisation is as follows:

Year 5 and 6 – Mrs Spellman and Miss Fitzgerald in joint teaching roles

Year 3 and 4 – Mrs Gainford

Year 1 and 2 + Reception p.m. – Mrs Barron

Nursery & Reception a.m. – Mrs Angus

Parents Evenings will be held on 6th & 8th March 2018 for this term, the e-school booking system for appointments will be open nearer the date.

Attendance

First of all a big thank you from us to you! Our whole school attendance for the Autumn Term was 95.1%. Attendance awards were given out at the end of the term. I am pleased to say that there were 10 children whose attendance was 100%, therefore gaining a gold award, 14 children with attendance between 98-99% gaining a silver award and 13 children with attendance between 95-97%. Congratulations to all awardees.



The class that had the best attendance for the whole half term was Year 1 and 2, well done!

Punctuality

As a reminder, the school day starts at 8:55 a.m. please ensure that your child attends on time and is ready to line up in the playground before the bell rings.

Reading Challenge



I would like to thank parents for supporting their child to meet the reading challenge this term. Certificates and badges were awarded to the children at the end of term. The children choose a book to keep and will have an afternoon of activities of their choice. For those children who received the additional award, they will also have an afternoon of Circus Skills on 11th January.

If you need any advice on how best to support your child with reading, there is a Parent Help Guide on the school website.

This term we will be introducing a new reading scheme for Y3 to Y6 children, further details will follow in the next few weeks.



Homework

For this term, the homework tasks are for children to read regularly at home, a minimum of 5 times and to practice times tables facts. The expectations for times tables are: Y2 - 2x, 5x and 10x tables, Y3 - 2x, 5x, 10x and 3x, 4x and 8x tables, Y4 - all x tables, Y5/6 - quick recall of multiplication and division facts for all tables.

These essential skills are vital in supporting the learning and work they complete at school.

On occasions, your child may be given an additional piece of homework, should they need practice with a specific aspect of their learning. If you would like to request additional homework for your child, please see their class teacher, thank you.

School Events and Activities

Please see our Facebook page for a round up of events for the Autumn Term, I am sure you enjoy seeing the photos and reports from the wide variety of school activities that the children take part in.

In case you do not have Facebook, we now have the feed available through the school website, please see www.wiltonprimary.co.uk and click on the link 'Facebook Feed' in the menu tabs to see updates for this term.

Key Dates for this Half Term

After School Clubs - Mondays Y3,4,5 & 6 Gymnastics 4 sessions (starting 15/1), Wednesdays R, Y1 & 2 Multi Skills 5 sessions (starting 10/1), Thursdays Y3,4,5 & 6 Multi Skills 5 sessions (starting 11/1)

In school coaching sessions - Y1/2 Yogabugs, Y3/4 Dance, Y3 to Y6 Fitness session

23rd January a.m.- School Photos

23rd January p.m. - Y4 Kidz Konnect Team Building

26th January - Training Day for staff, school closed for children

30th January a.m. - Y1/2 Multi Skills Festival

30th January p.m. - Y5/6 Tag Rugby Festival

Fundraising Thank you for the support for the following charities in the Autumn Term, we raised:



£26.44 for
British Legion



£102.14 for
Children in Need



£74.40 for
Christmas Jumper Day

And finally

If you have any worries or concerns, please do not hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher in the first instance.

Mrs Molnar is also available to support parents with any queries regarding forms, letters etc. Please contact the school office for any support.

The school website is also a good source of relevant information for parents: www.wiltonprimary.co.uk



We are looking forward to a busy and productive Spring Term. Thank you.

Getting Your Child to School Really Matters



Did You Know... ?

In a School Year, If Your Child is Late Every Day By...	Your Child Would Have Lost Approximately...	or They Would Have Missed Approximately...
5 Minutes	3.5 Days from School	20 Lessons
10 Minutes	7 Days from School	41 Lessons
15 Minutes	10 Days from School	55 Lessons
20 Minutes	14.5 Days from School	82 Lessons
30 Minutes	22 Days from School	123 Lessons

Please Encourage Punctuality to Maintain Attendance

missed minutes = missed learning = missed opportunities