

# WESTBURY WHISPERS

DEAR PARENTS/CARERS

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**Westbury-on-Severn  
CE Primary School**

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Welcome back to another term. We are now over half-way through the academic year! We are all looking forward to the warmer weather and there are already wonderful signs of spring around the school. However, there have been several suggestions of some extremely cold weather on its way, so please do make sure that the children come to school with a warm coat!

Governors, Mrs Roseblade-Bargh and I had a wonderful visit from the lead SIAMS (Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodists Schools) manager for Gloucestershire last week. Mrs Spitzer was very complementary about the school and what we do to develop the outcomes for our children, particularly within our Christian context and distinctiveness.

We certainly had our fair share of illness last term, which was quite common throughout Gloucestershire and Forest schools. Hopefully, much of this has passed now, but if your child is ill, I would like to remind you that they should not be in school for at least 24 hours from the last episode of sickness and 48 hours if this involves sickness and diarrhoea. This will help us to prevent the spread of illness. That said, children do not need to be off school if they have a cold! This is a common illness, which affects us all. Children just need to make sure they come to school with a goodly supply of tissues. Thank you for your help with this.

Mr C.

### Y5&6 RESIDENTIAL INFORMATION MEETING—TODAY

Today, we will be holding our final Y5&6 residential parents' information session. This will take place in the school hall from 7pm to 8pm. Children are welcome to attend this meeting, though it will be specifically for the parents. During this meeting we will be handing out medical and dietary information forms. These can either be filled in during the evening or returned to school. We also hope to update you on the activities that the children will be taking part in. We hope you are able to attend this meeting.

THIS  
EVENING

### **VALUES FOR LIFE**

This term, our new worship theme is Forgiveness.



Attached to this newsletter is the Home/School values sheet with suggested activities you may wish to do at home as a family. This will help reinforce the value we are promoting this term in school.



## MONTHLY PRAYER GROUP

We will be holding our next monthly prayer meeting on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> March in school. These meetings will take place on the first

Monday of each month - as far as the calendar allows. We welcome everyone who would like to come along to pray for the life of the school. I look forward to welcoming you.

## CLUBS

This is an advanced notice to say that clubs will be cancelled on the 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> of March, due to Parents' evening meetings in school. Please arrange to pick up your children on those days at 3pm.

### TERM DATES FOR 2018-2019

Attached to this letter are the term dates for the academic year 2018-2019.

Please remember that these dates reflect our school and may be different to Gloucestershire County Council term dates. This is important if you are planning holidays during the break periods.

### Calendar dates for Term 4

09.03.18	Mother's Day Service at School 9.15
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27.03.18	Theme Celebration 9.15-10.30
29.03.18	End of Term

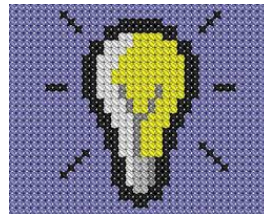
## CLASS NEWS

In Class 1 we have had a good first week back. We are very excited to start

learning about our new theme superheroes. In literacy we have been looking at the book Supertato, reception have written captions and year 1 responded to a letter from Evil Pea about why he should release the frozen carrots! In maths reception used their wellies to describe position and year 1 have started a new unit of work on fractions. In our theme lessons we made up our own superheroes and gave them a name and thought about what super powers would be.



In maths we have been measuring space and learning how to measure distances using metres and centimetres. In literacy we have been learning about biography and auto



biography. In science we have looked at shadows, to make shadows you need light and objects. We have been doing cross stitch in the shape of a light bulb and making paper mache shaped balloons to present our poems on.

By Izabella and Maisie

This week Class 3 have learnt about the Civil War and how the Forest contributed to it. In maths we learnt about ratio and how it helps us. In literacy we did a biography about Berlie Doherty and her books.

By Fern



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