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Dear Parents

This newsletter brings us to the end of term 3...yes, that is halfway through the school year! The accounts have all been balanced from December's PTA efforts and I must say a huge thankyou to both the PTA and everyone who supported the various events. Between the fayre, the tree sale, the secret santa and the printed Christmas cards, a massive £3711.57 was raised! This will all go to Winford Primary school children, helping them learn in many different ways, from resources, to visitors and experiences. Again, thank you again to everyone involved, it is really much appreciated.

Last day of term 3

We are having a non-uniform day on Friday 15th February (the last day of this term) to raise funds for our School Crossing Patrol service.

Some of you may not know that our very own Lollipop

Lady, the amazing Mrs Green is not funded by North Somerset Council. The service is provided by Winford Parish Council, the school governing body and grants from Bristol Airport.

All money raised on Friday 15th will go to the Crossing Patrol fund, alongside the non-uniform contributions the children will be selling lollipops at the end of the school day.

To keep our children safe we need to make lots of lolly!

Many thanks for all your support, Alison Clark (Ava & Faith's mum and a Winford Parish Councillor)

Cooking Club?

We have a fully chef-trained parent that is considering running a cooking club after school, but would like to gauge interest.

The club would potentially run on a Tuesday from 3-4:30 and would cost circa £5 per session, which would include ingredients and a copy of all recipes. The food would have a focus on healthy eating and a balanced diet.

If you would be interested in this club, please let the office know, and then further information will follow.



First day of term 4

For the first day of term 4, we will be holding another charity event. I understand that these two are close together, but we have no further charity fundraising planned for the remainder of term 4.



Dogs Helping Kids, the charity that have supported the training of both Fernie and Tango have asked for all of their schools to hold some fundraising during February. This is because the charity is very small and they need as much support as possible to keep up the excellent work that they do in getting fantastic dogs like Fernie in to schools that have been trained to a very high degree.

So, the first day back (Monday 25th Feb), we will be holding another non-school uniform day, but we will be asking for children to come in dressed in DHK colours orange and black if possible...unless your child has a dog outfit that they would rather wear! DHK would be really grateful if you could bring in £1 for this.

After school, there will also be a couple of stalls that classes have organised, so please bring along your small change for this. Every £1 raised really does make a huge difference.

During Monday and Tuesday, children will access the curriculum through the theme of dogs. Assemblies on both days will also be related to animal welfare.

Please visit www.dogshelpingkids.co.uk to find out more about the charity.

Somerset County Football Finals 2019



On Friday 25th January, the Winford school football team took part in the Somerset County Finals against the other 11 best teams in Somerset.

Despite never playing in the large schools competition before, the team performed admirably against some much bigger schools.

Firstly, they played against 5 other teams in the group stages winning all 5 matches, without conceding a single goal. With our goalie pulling off several great saves, shielded by the super defence.

In the semi-finals the team came up against last year's champions St Georges, after a tight first half the attacking players ran riot in the second half racking up 5 goals to their opponents 1 goal. The midfielders put together some great passing moves and scored several outstanding team goals, including a quick fire hat-trick by Henry in the semi-finals.

In the final itself, Winford took the lead only to be pegged back in the 2nd half. The match then went to extra time, both teams had chances until the opposition finally scored with only 90 seconds left. Winford pushed for an equaliser but couldn't quite equalise.

All the team played superbly and put in maximum effort in every match, far exceeding expectations at the start of the tournament. Well done everyone involved.

Winford Duck Race

The date for this year is Saturday 11th May.



Chew Valley Chelwood Rotary Football Competition

The girl's team won their competition comprehensively by winning all 4 games without conceding a goal a single goal. With Poppy, Izzie and Isabelle G running riot upfront scoring a hat-full of goals, and with the resolute Nieve, Cerys, Florence, Saskia and goalkeeper Isabel F keeping the opposition out, the team were deserved champions- the only team in all competitions held that day to win all their matches.



The boys' teams performed very well, with the A team running out as the tournament winners. They won 3 and drew 1 of their games, helped out by the B team holding the main competition, Pensford, to a 0-0 draw with some outstanding defensive play. This means that Winford have now won all 3 local competitions for the last 3 years, competing the treble-treble!

Dinner Money and Other Payments

As we are at the end of term, please can you check your Parent Pay accounts to settle all outstanding balances for dinner money, breakfast club, after school club and school trips. Thank you.



Last week the Open the Book story was called "Small king, big task" and is based on the second book of Kings, chapter 22 in the Old Testament of the Bible. It's about a very young king, Josiah, who came to the throne at the age of 8! Even so young, he knew right from wrong and was determined to be a wise king. Before him there had been a number of bad kings who had not followed God's rules, and the Temple, which was the main symbol of God's rule over them, had fallen to rack and ruin. Josiah ordered a big clean-up and refurb of the Temple and at the same time reminded everybody that they had slipped a long way from how God wanted them to behave. Their big clean-up was a symbol of how they were also cleaning up their own act and learning to respect God's rules again about being kind and honest and how to live together. The children were reminded that if God uses an 8 year old king to do his work he can use everybody to do his work, especially them.

This week the OTB team, with children, presented a story Jesus told to those who were interested. It was about a man who had a vineyard that needed harvesting, and two sons. One son outright refused to go and do the work, it was a hot day and he had "better things" to do. The other son said yes and went straight off to the vineyard. A bit later, the first son had second thoughts and decided to do the right thing even though it was hard work on a hot day, and the second son also changed his mind and snuck off to hang out with his mates. The man was Jesus, and the story illustrated that it isn't always easy to be obedient to him, we do have to try to please him rather than ourselves, but when we do, he is pleased with us and blesses us and gives us the will to do the right thing, however hard it seems. You can find the story in the Bible in Matthew, chapter 21.

Diary Dates

<u>Event</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>
End of term non-school uniform for School Crossing	Friday	15.02.19	
Term 4 begins- non-school uniform black/orange for DHK	Monday	25.02.19	
World Book Day	Thursday	07.03.19	

Celebration Assembly Certificates

<p><u>Lion</u></p> 	<p>w/e 25.1.19 George for showing real curiosity in our topic lessons this week. We have been researching different sea animals from the book 'Commotion in the Ocean' and he worked really hard to find out facts to share with the rest of the class. Darcey for listening and following instructions on how to make paper snowflakes really well this week. She produced a lovely pattern and we are going to use them to print with next week.</p> <p>w/e 08.02.19 Clayton for really impressing all the adults in the class this week with his phonic knowledge. He has learnt so many digraphs and trigraphs and is starting to apply them to his reading and writing. Mia Y for telling the class this week all about Chinese New Year. Mia has really enjoyed all the activities we have done and has been able to lead lots of discussions around the topic. We all really enjoyed learning from you Mia!</p>
<p><u>Leopard</u></p> 	<p>w/e 25.01.19 Archie for really trying hard in all areas of learning and impressing Mrs Ashfield and Mrs Gardner with his positive attitude towards learning. Well done Archie. Billy is a quiet thoughtful member of Leopard class who always tries his best to work hard. Well done Billy.</p> <p>w/e 08.02.19 Harriet for showing increased focus and independence during your group working time. You have made an effort to think for yourself which is fantastic. Willow for making some great suggestions this week. It has been nice to hear your ideas and see you growing in confidence.</p>
<p><u>Panther</u></p> 	<p>w/e 25.01.19 Gracie has shown brilliant curiosity in our fiction lessons creating great inferences and writing some beautiful sentences to describe a setting. Well done, Gracie. Haydn has done a brilliant job of getting to grips with money this week. He's been patient and concentrated to work out how to make totals using different coins.</p> <p>w/e 08.02.19 Dylan is working really hard to improve his handwriting and begin joining his letters. Keep it up! Ollie for doing some fantastic reading at home this week. He's been really enthusiastic about reading which is brilliant. Isobel has also been putting lots of effort into her reading and she has really impressed Mr A, Mrs Page AND Mrs Partridge (that's a lot of teachers!)</p>
<p><u>Tiger</u></p> 	<p>w/e 25.01.19 Lottie for always showing great determination in all work. Lottie focuses hard and engages positively in her work – a great role model. Well done Lottie! Hugo for working so hard and showing determination to get his work done. As well as this Hugo is helpful in the class always tidying up efficiently. I am so impressed by how much Hugo is maturing and becoming a great role model. Well done Hugo, keep it up.</p> <p>w/e 08.02.19 Phoebe for always being such a kind, happy and friendly member of the class. Phoebe always looks out for others and is a great role model. Zach for working so hard with his writing this week. Zach has approached his writing tasks with positivity and is always keen to improve his writing even more. Well done Zach, keep this up.</p>

	<p>Jessie for being such a positive, smiley and very helpful member of Tigers. Jessie is always very keen to help out and do jobs around the class and is always so happy and upbeat.</p>
<p>Jaguar</p> 	<p>w/e 25.01.19 Reuben for putting so much effort into your writing this week, listening carefully and showing a real sense of determination to include all of the features we have learned about in newspaper reports. Keep going! Ollie, Oliver and Thomas for working together really co-operatively in topic, finding out about creatures that live in different layers of the ocean. They delegated tasks really effectively to ensure they did their best work.</p> <p>w/e 08.02.19 Lola for showing excellent listening skills. She is always ready to learn and listen carefully to ensure she understands what she is doing and learn to the best of her ability! Keep it up! Megan and Mia have shown such a great sense of curiosity about our Blue Planet topic learning. They have both gone home and researched information about creatures from the different layers of the ocean, even including some brilliant artwork and presenting their learning to the class.</p>
<p>Lynx</p> 	<p>w/e 25.01.19 Marlena always listens carefully in class and works hard in every subject. I have been particularly impressed with her attitude in maths, where Marlena is keen to challenge herself and move onto more challenging tasks both at school and at home on Mathletics. She is making excellent progress. Saskia always comes into school with a positive attitude and a smile on her face, ready to learn. Mr K has been particularly impressed with her progress in writing recently, where she has worked hard to include more detail and description.</p> <p>w/e 08.02.19 Samuel always sets a fantastic example to his classmates in terms of his behaviour, attitude to learning and respect for others. He always wants to challenge himself and has shown increasing confidence to share his ideas and answers with the class. Keep it up! Mia M Mr Kuschel has been very impressed with Mia's attitude to her learning, especially in maths where she demonstrates brilliant perseverance when faced with challenges.</p>
<p>Puma</p> 	<p>w/e 25.01.19 Troy for working really hard and making the most of the extra afternoon sessions. Cassidy and Rufus for a great improvement on the speed and accuracy of their comprehension work this month.</p> <p>w/e 08.02.19 Finley H for a great improvement in his comprehension skills recently. Keep it up Fin! Jack for a really noticeable improvement in his maths work recently. It is good to see his hard work paying off.</p>
<p>Footballer of the week</p> 	<p>w/e 25.01.19 For exceptional positioning between the sticks resulting in some dramatic reaction saves, ensuring his team could hang on to the end – Finley 'safe' House!</p> <p>w/e 01.02.19 It is impossible to pick one player from the team that got to the final of the county football competition. Therefore it is a team of the week rather than a player of the week!</p> <p>w/e 08.02.19 For an all action display in both the county finals and the Chew Valley tournament, both defensively and chipping in with several important goals, including a quick fire hat-trick, Henry P. For giving 100% effort on both defence and attack, making great forward runs and also supporting the defence by tracking back and putting in some tough tackles, Gregor.</p> <p>w/e 25.01.19 Girls footballer of the week – Isabel F With her team leading 3-2 and the final seconds of the match ticking down, Isabel charged bravely off her goal line, diving low to palm away a rocket hit by Izzie and seal victory for her team</p> <p>w/e 08.02.19 For an outstanding defensive display in the county finals and then following it up by captaining the girl's team to victory on Tuesday, where she scored 11 goals! – Poppy W</p>