



West Wycombe Combined School

Newsletter

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Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents & Carers,

We hope all of our parents had a fantastic half term.

Open Day - Well done to Year 6, who did a beautiful job of showing around prospective parents at our first Open Day last week. They made us incredibly proud to represent the school so well. **We are holding our second Open Day on 15th November at both 10am and 2pm.**

Poppies – Two of our new Y6 prefects – Toby (Headteacher Prefect) and Neda (Deputy Headteacher Prefect) will be selling poppies this week both before and after school on the gate.

Thank you to the PTA for purchasing our new bike rack, which is located to the side of the shelter by the front gate. Children are welcome to leave their bikes there, ideally locked to the rack, from now on. Bikes are left at your own risk.

Please note, the Y2 class assembly on 14th November has been cancelled, due to the change in staffing. This will be rescheduled for next term.

Finally, please ensure children are coming to school with coats every day. The weather is already turning very wintery so the children must keep warm at break times.

Best wishes,
Ms A Preston
Headteacher



Emergency Procedures - Weather

With the colder weather creeping in, please keep an eye out for communications around school closures. Should we need to close the school, you will be notified by Parent Mail. We will also update the school closures website through Bucks County Council. You can check if schools are closed by using the following link:

<https://closures.buckscc.gov.uk/>

The West Wycombe Combined School Facebook page will also be updated.

<https://www.facebook.com/WestWycombeCombinedSchool/>



Pick Up After School

Please remember children should be picked up at 3.15pm daily from school. There have been a number of children recently who have not been picked up on time repeatedly. We fully understand that there are events that can happen from time to time that mean parents get held up in traffic or there may be emergencies - all of our staff are very accommodating when these events happen. However, some children are being picked up late regularly; not only is this unfair on the children but it is also unfair to the office staff.

We have worked hard to be able to provide adequate wrap around care, therefore, we ask that parents make arrangements with the club should there be issues with picking up children on time regularly.

After School Club

Little Flyers after school club is contactable at:

admin@littleflyerstokenchurch.co.uk



Prefects

We have now allocated our new prefects for 2018/19:

Responsibilities	Name of child with role	
Headteacher Prefect	Toby	
Deputy Head Prefect	Neda	
Charity Prefect	Farley, Bailey, Rosie, Ellie	
House Captains	<i>Captain</i>	<i>Vice Capt</i>
	Bryn W.	Ryan
	Rosie	Ozi
	Bailey	Riley
	A.B.	Jayden BD
Attendance Prefects	Geethika & Amna	
Assembly Monitor	Bailey & Yusef	
Class Prefects	R – Neda Y1 – Jayden Y2 – Rosie Y3 – Joe Y4 – Yusef Y5 – Farley	
Office Helpers (lunchtime)	Joe & Caitlyn	
Library Monitors	Rihanna & Scarlett	
Newsletter Authors	Sufyaan Kyla M/ Bryn, Farley, Scarlett	
Medical Helper	Kyla M	

Building Works

You may have noticed that the first steps to replacing the porches have begun. Our porch to the right side of the Victorian building has been removed and we are in the process of looking at designs to replace both porches eventually.

We have also had some works done on our electrics and our heating systems. We are hoping to have some plastering works also in the Victorian building soon.

Mental Health Award

We are pleased to share that we are one of the first schools to be taking part in the Mental Health for Schools scheme over the next 12 months. We will be working towards achieving various standards in supporting mental health for our school community and we hope to be able to be awarded the Mental Health Award for Schools at the end of the year. Mental Health is a very important priority that is shared amongst the staff and, being such a current topic, it is something that we are thrilled to be taking part in.

MIND Peer Support

As a separate initiative, but one that complements the above scheme, we are thrilled to be taking part in the Peer Support programme by MIND.

The MIND Youth Services team will deliver a one day's training to Year 5/6 in mental health awareness and help them become Peer Supporters to the students in younger years. This training includes Mental Health Awareness and key aspects of their role, such as their Responsibilities, Communication and Listening Skills and Safeguarding.



Bucks Family Information Services

Buckinghamshire Family Information Service offers free, impartial information to families with children aged 0 to 19 years (or up to 25 years with a special educational need or disability), young people and professionals.

Search our Ofsted-registered online directory for childminders, nurseries, holiday, breakfast and after-school clubs. Find your nearest Children's Centre and search for sessions and activities.

Accessible SEND information including education, school policies, health, social care, activities, preparing for adulthood and support services. Co-produced with parents, carers, young people and professionals.

The service is accessible by website, social media, email, phone and in person via outreach.

Website: www.bucksfamilyinfo.org

Email: familyinfo@buckscc.gov.uk

Telephone: 01296 383065 (9am to 5pm Mon to Fri)

Social Media: Follow us on [Facebook](#) (BFIS), [Facebook \(Local Offer for SEND\)](#), [Twitter](#) or [Instagram](#)



Attendance

Reception-96.1 %

Year 1- 94.0 %

Year 2- 96.3 %

Year 3- 95.0 %

Year 4 – 94.2 %

Year 5 – 96.0 %

Year 6 – 98.0 % 🌟🌟

Well done to Year 6 for a superb attendance this term! **They have won a Y6-only mufti day on Friday 9th November!**



Dates for your diary

6 th November	2.30pm - Phonics workshop for parents
9 th November	Year 6 Mufti Day (attendance)
w/c 12 th Nov	Anti-bullying week
15 th November	10am - Open day 2pm – Open day
16 th November	Children in Need Mufti Day – wear something spotty
22 nd November	Y3 trip - Amersham Field Centre
6pm-Bedtime stories (Rec & Y1)	
w/c 26 th Nov	Whole school assessment week
28 th November	Y6 Class assembly 9am
7 th December	2-3pm - Early Year Stay & Play
10 th December	Image Theatre – Pinocchio
11 th December	9.30am - Early Years & KS1 Christmas Play
12 th December	1.30pm - Early Years & KS1 Christmas Play 3.30-5pm - Book Look – (R-Y6)
13 th December	7pm - KS2 Christmas Concert
18 th December	am – Headteacher's Breakfast Pm – Platinum Reward Time
19th December	End of term 1.45pm



Academic Dates 2018/19

Autumn Term 2018

Thursday 6 September – Friday 19 October 2018

Tuesday 30 October – Wednesday 19 December 2018

Spring Term 2019

Thursday 3 January – Friday 15 February 2019

Monday 25 February – Friday 5 April 2019

Summer Term 2019

Wednesday 24 April – Friday 24 May 2019

Tuesday 4 June – Wednesday 24 July 2019

Inset days 2018-19:

Wednesday 5th September

Monday 29th October

Wednesday 2nd January

Tuesday 23rd April

Monday 3rd June