



# Weekly

# Newsletter

2<sup>nd</sup> November 2018

Dear Parents,

Welcome back, I hope you have all had a lovely half term break and are ready for the next few weeks as we approach the exciting Christmas period.

## **Aspirations Week**

I must start with an apology for not mentioning Watson Marlow in our last newsletter. They spent a morning with us during Aspirations Week, talking to the children about engineering. The children were very interested in your information and activities and I would like to thank you for the time and effort you gave us.

Whilst mentioning Aspirations Week, I would like to give you some wonderful feedback that I have received from a couple of companies that worked with us:

Jo Simms (Ocean Dance): "Thank you for the opportunity to work with the children, I thoroughly enjoyed it and thought they were amazing throughout the week."

Charlene (Rick Steins): "I just wanted to say how much we enjoyed having the children visit us last week. They were all incredibly well behaved and so interested in what we were showing them, I think each of us were amazed at the desire to touch the fish and just get involved. We have been reading their lovely letters over the weekend!"

Well done Halwin children – this is lovely news to hear!

The Rugby Pirates have been in touch and have made another appointment to come and run a workshop with our children, the date of this will be Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> November for both Owls and Kingfishers classes.

## **Hindu Day**

The Robins class and the Year 2 children have had a lovely session with Daya this week exploring Hindu traditions. The children dressed up in traditional Indian dress, role-played the Puja ceremony, joined in with Bhangra dancing, heard traditional Hindu stories and cooked and ate over 70 chapatis and some delicious potato curry; the recipe for which is on the school website.



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### **Cross Country**

In this week's race Bradley was in first place for his age group, Lyla was second in her age group and overall Halwin is 11<sup>th</sup> out of 22 schools competing. We are super proud of the cross country runners, they are all doing brilliantly. Keep it going!

### **Halloween Party**

Many thanks to all of the FOH that helped and supported us in the preparations and smooth running of the event, the children thoroughly enjoyed themselves! We had over 60 children attend which is amazing and we have made a profit of £83 which is brilliant – thank you!

### **Anti-Bullying Week**

Whilst we are fortunate in our school and bullying is not something that I have witnessed here, it is still extremely important that we discuss it with the children so that they can recognise it and know how to deal with it. This year's anti-bullying week is next week and we would like to start the week off by inviting all of our children to wear odd socks on Monday, to highlight how we are all unique and individual.

### **Christmas Production Auditions**

All of the children in Years 4, 5 and 6 have been invited to audition for speaking parts in our production this year. They should all have come home with a part of the script that they can become familiar with and if they wish to audition on Monday then they may bring this with them to read from if they haven't learnt it off by heart. They will be auditioning in groups of 3 so that they are not on their own. There are also a couple of small singing parts in our production and so we would like to invite the same older children to audition for this too. Halwin has not previously encouraged children to audition for the roles, however we feel that this would be the fairest way to select the children for the roles and often it can highlight a candidate that has amazing acting skills that we are not aware of. However, if your child chooses not to audition, there are plenty of non-speaking/singing parts and they will all have a part to play in the show!

### **Parents Evening**

Please don't forget that we are holding our parents evening on Wednesday next week from 2pm onwards. It's great to see so many of you have signed up for this, thank you. I would like to remind you all that these sessions are restricted to 10 minutes so that we can see all of our parents on time. If you need a longer appointment and have other matters to discuss, please feel free to make a longer appointment with your child's class teacher.

Mrs Eve Busby  
Assistant Headteacher

### **Karate Readers**

Congratulations to Jowan who collected his white band this week, to Lloyd who collected his yellow band this week and to Alex who collected his orange band this week.

Well done everyone, keep reading!



### **Cancelled - Advance Notice**

There will be no Celebration Assembly next Friday – 9<sup>th</sup> November 2018 – due to the nasal flu immunisations taking place in the hall for pupils in Reception through to Year 5 inclusive. If you wish your child to have this immunisation at school you must complete the online consent form by **midday Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November.**

The consent form can be accessed via a link in the letter previously emailed to parents; your child will not receive the immunisation unless this has been completed.



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## Poppy Appeal

Once again, this year we will be collecting for the British Legion Poppy Appeal. As well as the traditional paper poppies, there will also be rulers, pencils, erasers, pencil sharpeners and reflectors on sale. The suggested minimum donation is £1 for rulers and 50p for all other items. These will be on sale at breaktimes.



## Chartwells – Reminders

### Change of Menu

There is a special menu for Bonfire Night on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November. Main course will be sizzling pork sausage hot dog or veggie hot dog with whizzing wedges, bonfire beans and sweetcorn. Dessert will be Catherine wheel biscuits with fresh fruit.

### Parent Lunches

These are taking place this week for those parents who ordered and we hope you are looking forward to joining your child for lunch and sampling the new Chartwells Autumn/Winter menu. The lunch for KS2 parents is on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November and for KS1 parents is on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November. Could parents please come into school for 12.10pm on the relevant day.



## School Photographs

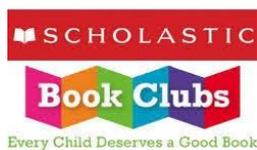
Jo Buckley will be in school on the morning of Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November from 8.30am to take individual and family photographs. You are welcome to bring younger/older siblings to be photographed who are not on roll at Halwin and these families will be done first.



## Scholastic Book Club November 2018

Our Scholastic Book Club is up and running! Go to <http://schools.scholastic.co.uk/halwin-primary> to browse the latest books and order online. For every £1 you spend on this month's Book Club, our school will earn 25p in Scholastic Rewards.

Please place your order online by 13<sup>th</sup> November 2018. Please let us know if you want us to keep your order to collect from the office or send it home with your child. Thanks.



## School Uniform Plea

Please can we ask that you make sure you name all of your child's school uniform, as this will enable us to return lost items more quickly and allow parents to check they have their own child's clothing when washing.

A great deal of staff time is currently being wasted looking through and sorting uniform after PE, after school clubs, trips etc. Thank you for your co-operation with this matter.



## Jumble Sale / Bags2School

On Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> November FOH are holding a **Jumble Sale** at school from 10am-12pm and would be grateful for donations of any items in good saleable condition, along with any school uniform that you no longer need as there will also be a second hand uniform stall. Please could all donations be brought into school on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November.

Refreshments will be available during the jumble sale and any donations of cake would be gratefully received – again please could these be brought in on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November.



There will then be a **Bags2School collection** on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December.

If you have any items that you don't want to go to the jumble sale but would like to donate to Bags2School then please could these not be brought into school until the day of collection as we have nowhere to store them. Thank you.

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### Letters Home

Please make sure you have received the following information this week:-

Bags2School – whole school

Scholastic Book Club Leaflet – whole school

Christmas Performance Auditions – Y4/5/6

Autumn Term Class Letter – Owls Class

### Movember - Men's Health Awareness Month

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> November - Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2018

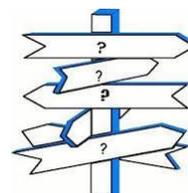
Movember is the month formerly known as November, where men and women across the globe join together to raise awareness and funds for men's health issues.

<http://prostatecanceruk.org/about-us/movember>



### 'Signposting'

We would like to make it clear that all 'signposted' activities are external to the school. Parents should make their own enquiries and satisfy themselves as to the suitability of the provider before engaging their service.



### What's On Diary?

Posters for any events listed here and all other events will be on display in the main reception area.



### Events Diary

Date	Event
Mon 5 Nov	Chartwells Bonfire Night Menu
Mon 5 Nov	Christmas play auditions Y4/5/6
Tues 6 Nov	KS2 Parents invited to sample Chartwells new menu
Tues 6 Nov	Open the Book Assembly
Wed 7 Nov	Parents Evening from 2pm
Thurs 8 Nov	Individual and family photographs – from 8.30am
Thurs 8 Nov	KS1 Parents invited to sample Chartwells new menu
Fri 9 Nov	Nasal flu immunisations – Reception to Y5 inclusive
Fri 9 Nov	Y6 Badminton Tournament 1-3pm @ HCC – selected pupils
Fri 9 Nov	<b>No Celebration Assembly today</b>
Sat 10 Nov	FOH Jumble Sale 10am-12pm
Tues 13 Nov	Open the Book
Wed 14 Nov	Chartwells – Food Prep Workshops - Kingfishers
Fri 16 Nov	Celebration Assembly 2.50pm
Tues 20 Nov	Open the Book Assembly
Tues 20 Nov	Reserve Cross Country date – if needed
Fri 23 Nov	Cluster Swimming Gala – Y3/4/5/6
Fri 23 Nov	Celebration Assembly 2.50pm
Mon 26 Nov	Governor and Parents Coffee Morning
Tues 27 Nov	FOH Meeting 9am – all welcome
Tues 27 Nov	Cluster Gymnastics Competition – Y3/4/5/6 – Mullion Gym
Tues 27 Nov	Open the Book

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Fri 30 Nov	Y3/4 Badminton Festival 1-3pm @ HCC
Fri 30 Nov	Celebration Assembly 2.50pm
Tues 4 Dec	Open the Book Assembly
Fri 7 Dec	Celebration Assembly 2.50pm
Tues 11 Dec	Christmas Play – Community Performance – 1.30pm
Wed 12 Dec	Christmas Play – Performance for Parents – 2pm and 6pm
Fri 14 Dec	Christmas Jumper Day
Fri 14 Dec	Celebration Assembly 2.50pm
Sat 15 Dec	FOH Christmas Fayre 10am-12pm
Mon 17 Dec	Christmas Lunch
Wed 19 Dec	Christmas Party
Thurs 20 Dec	End of Term <b>1.15pm finish</b>
Fri 18 Jan 2019	INSET Day
Wed 8 May 2019	INSET Day
Fri 28 June 2019	INSET Day

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