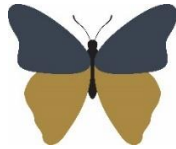


Welshampton Church of England Primary School



**Growing together
in strength, love and wisdom,
we shine.**

**Newsletter
Friday 3rd March 2023**

Message from the Head

We have had a wonderful week at Welshampton with the highlight being World Book Day on Thursday.

As always, it was great to see the children dressed up and looking incredible. It goes without saying that World Book Day isn't always a day that parents look forward to but thank you for your brilliant efforts in getting the children looking brilliant!



A big thank you to staff too who, as always, got in to the spirit of things and joined the children in dressing up. It's quite a surreal day when you're surrounded by amazing costumes and characters – but it's all great fun and really reminds us love of our love for reading.



Cakes, Cakes, Glorious Cakes

It was another sterling Welshampton effort when it came to your cake baking skills! In what was an impossible decision, staff chose the Top 3 cakes and prizes were awarded accordingly! 1st prize was won by Bridgette, 2nd prize was awarded to Oscar and Darcie and 3rd place went to Euan. Thank you to everyone who baked a cake – they were brilliant!



Mrs Hordern duly took over Chief Cake Auctioneer duties and raised almost £100!

Reading Challenge

Our Sponsored Reading Challenge participants collectively raised the huge sum of £260 so a big well done to you, we are very proud of all your hard work. Many congratulations on some top notch reading!

Thank you so much to everyone for your continued support - it is hugely appreciated!

Champion Athletics

Our Year 2 children were invited to take part in an indoor athletics competition at Criftings School on Wednesday. They all took part in a variety of track and field activities and participated with strength, stamina and determination.



School Field Revamp Success

What a fantastic job that has been done on our school field and surrounding areas! A huge thank you to the Friends of Welshampton for organising and for everyone who came and helped – it really was a brilliant effort and has made such a difference!



Industrial Action

Please be aware that the next planned dates for NEU Industrial Action is Wednesday 15th March **and** Thursday 16th March. I do not expect this to impact Welshampton but will confirm early next week.

Times Table Rock Stars Result

Well done to all those children who took part in the Times Table Rock Star Federation Challenge over the last few weeks!

It is fair to say that Newtown were clear winners and are now the reigning TTR Champions! A special mention goes to the top three rockers in the whole federation. They are:

Most Valuable Player: Alex B (Newtown)
2nd Most Valuable Player: Oscar P-J (Newtown)
3rd Most Valuable Player: Jack B (Newtown)

I think Team Welshampton can do much better so have demanded a re-match! Watch this space...

Pupil Premium Reminder

All children who are in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 in a state-funded school are offered a free healthy school lunch.

Pupil Premium funding is given to schools based on eligibility for Free School Meals over the last 6 years (excluding the infant free school meals provision). Your child will be eligible for Free School Meals (and additional Pupil Premium funding for the school to support your child) if you or your partner are receiving any of the following benefits:

- Income Support.
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act
- The Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit, provided they you not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual income of £16,190 or less, as assessed by Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs

Why and How to register?

Registering for Free School Meals could raise money for your child's school. Registering for free meals and pupil premium could raise an extra £1,300 for your child's school, to fund valuable support like extra tuition, additional teaching support staff or after school activities.

It is therefore important to sign up for free school meals/pupil premium as this involves more than a free school lunch and the will receive extra funding to ensure your child gets additional support. You will also be entitled to free sports clubs and trips.

For further information contact the school office or follow <https://shropshire.gov.uk/free-school-meals> or <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>

Sunset Sports Clubs

Wednesday: Striking and fielding games
Thursday: Dodgeball
Friday: Try Something New

If your child is joining in with the sports clubs, please ensure they have PE kit to change in to.

Class Dojo Update
Individual Top 3 Dojo Weekly Winners

Oak: Alex, Aaron, Erin
Beech: Luke Dar, Bruno, Kaden
Willow: Mila, Michael, Mick

Weekly House Dojo Points

Brimstone 185

Grayling 204

Peacock 175

Attendance

Willow	Beech	Oak	School
95%	97%	95%	96%

Our school target for 2023 is 97%.

Outside Achievements

Congratulations to Martha for being awarded a 1st place trophy for her artwork

Congratulations to Harry for his incredible swimming achievements for Oswestry Otters he has been awarded 11 medals for a variety of 1st, 2nd and 3rd places.

Shining Stars of the Week
Strength

'Be strong and courageous! Do not be afraid or discouraged. For the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.' Joshua 1:9

Willow: Mick for always giving 100% with his work

Beech: Year 2 children for the strength, stamina and determination in the KS1 indoor athletics competition.

Oak: Ava for showing super perseverance with his maths work.



Have a wonderful weekend!

Yours sincerely,
Mr Ben Crompton.

Spring Term Key Dates

- 13th March Inspired by Willow Class 2:15pm
- 17th March Mother's Day Service 9.15am (Parents Welcome)
- 24th March Inspired by Oak Class 2.00pm (Parents Welcome)
- 30th March Inspired by Beech Class 2:00pm (Parents Welcome)
- 31st March Easter Service 9.15am (Parents Welcome)