

# Welshampton Church of England Primary School



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

**Newsletter  
Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2023**

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## Message from the Head

It has been another busy week at Welshampton as children settle into life in an older year group. As always, there is a really calm and positive energy within school and Miss Truswell and Miss Kerr have settled into the staff team seamlessly.

## Home Learning

The support of parents is crucial to a child's progress at school. We actively encourage daily reading at home for all ages in addition to weekly homework being set.

Parents naturally want to support their children and the school want to support you in doing so. Therefore, uploaded on to the school class pages have been documentation to support with Spelling Punctuation and Grammar in addition to our Maths Calculation policies – these will show parents how children are taught at school.

Year 6 children will also find a document called 'How to Crack the 30 in 30' which outlines to the methods expected of children in Upper Key Stage 2 during their weekly arithmetic tests where the focus is progress not attainment. In the coming weeks we will also add a similar document for children further down the school who complete weekly 20 in 20 and 10 in 10 maths quizzes.

## Class Dojo and Communication

I am pleased to report that Class Dojo is back up and running after a national blackout earlier this week. Can I remind parents that this is a positive communication tool between parents and staff and should be used as so. To support staff wellbeing, teachers follow the school Class Dojo Policy which includes the following:

- Teachers are advised to only message between normal working hours: Mon-Fri: 8.00am - 5.00pm. Teachers may respond outside of these hours but there is no expectation to, nor is there to respond at weekends or during school holidays.
- Staff will endeavour to respond within 48 hours.

Please contact the office to arrange an appointment with either the class teacher, Mrs Liley or myself for more serious concerns; and whilst parent/teacher communication is encouraged at the end of the school day, if something will take more time, please arrange an appointment, as staff often have after-school commitments. Thank you.

## PE Kit Reminder

Please be reminded to label all PE Kit. A few lost items are turning up without names on them. Unfortunately, once free PE kits have been allocated, we can't replace lost ones. These will need to be purchased from School Shop.

## Attendance

Oak Class are the attendance champions this week with 97% with the school having an average attendance of 95%. Our school target is 97%.

## Stars of the Week

Willow Class: Mila for her amazing writing

Beech Class: Freddie for his outstanding written work

Oak Class: Dyllon for the most inspiring writing in literacy

## Class Dojos Top 3

Willow: Adam, Elara and Ethan

Beech: Freddie, Meghan and Oskar

Oak: Emily M, Evelyn and Lilly

## House Points Champions

Brimstone 258

Grayling 306

Peacock 259

## Outside Achievements

Oskar gained his Level 6 in swimming

Rosie gained her Yellow Grading in Tae Kwan Do

Theo L gained a Distinction in Initial Piano - Entry 3

Adam gained Level 4 in swimming and was player of the match in rugby

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Congratulations all!

Have a wonderful weekend!

Yours sincerely,  
Mr Ben Crompton

**Key Dates**

**October**

Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Harvest Festival at 9.15am Parents welcome
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup>	PD Day
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup>	Half term

**November**

Monday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Children return to school
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Assessment Week
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Parents Evening
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Parents Evening

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