Welshampton Church of England Primary School



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

Newsletter Friday 29th November 2024

Message from the Head

This week the children have been completing their Autumn Term assessments. This is a way of teachers measuring the progress made by children through the first term of the year and identifying gaps in knowledge which can be filled moving forwards.

The children all did splendidly well and showed great strength, resilience, and perseverance to do the best that they could. Well done all.

Christmas Coffee Morning Tomorrow



Royal British Legion Collection

This year the children raised a total of £52.80 for selling the various poppy themed items. Thank you to our Charity Ministers for leading the sales with such enthusiasm.

Shoebox Appeal

A big thank you to the 22 families who put together a Christmas Shoebox for the Samaritan's Purse Appeal.

For a school of our size to send that many boxes is a real achievement and will bring real joy to children around the world less fortunate than ourselves.



Accelerated Reader

Next week we hope to start introducing Accelerated Reader to the children. The first part of the process will be to assess the children's reading ability before matching this to selection of books which is appropriate for their reading level.

As with all new approaches, it will take a bit of time to ensure that the assessments are accurate and the children are best matched to their books.

There will be further information about how it works and how children can be supported at home but we are confident that the use of the Accelerated Reader programme will be warmly received by the children and parents.

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Supporting Your Child at Home

Thank you to all those parents who spend time at home supporting the children's learning. It makes a big difference in school and helps children to progress quickly academically, improving confidence within the classroom.

As reminder, we ask that parents support their children with their homework including spellings, arithmetic skills and reading. This really does make a difference to the children's progress. Thank you.

Communication

For clarity, I would just like to outline the functions of our various methods of communicating with parents:

Email

This is our official way of communicating to parents and anything significant will be done via email – either on a whole school, class or group level.

Class Dojo

Informal class reminders and sharing of in school experiences.

Text

This will only be used in an emergency. For example, weather updates, arrival times from trips.

Social Media

Wider public sharing of events in school.



Class Dojo Champions November 2024

Willow Class
Ava, Jess and Mabel

Beech ClassBella, Kiera and Michael

Oak Class George, Jess and Lilly

Shining Stars of the Week Strength

'Be strong and courageous! Do not be afraid or discouraged.'

Joshua 1:9

Willow Class

All our Year 2 children for showing great strength during their assessments this week.

Beech Class

Kaden for showing great strength in his assessments.

Oak Class

Lilly for showing great strength and determination in her writing.

Outside Achievements

Oskar for winning a trophy in wild shooting.

Poppy for achieving her Ducklings 1,2 and 3 badges in swimming.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Your sincerely,

Mr Crompton.

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January **Key School Dates** 6th – 8th January Year 5 & 6 Residential Trip December Robinwood 3rd December **Beech Class Chester Trip** 6th December Theatre Severn Pantomime March 11th December 13th – 14th March Year 3 & 4 Residential Trip Rearranged U11 Hockey **Tournament** Condover 12th December Christmas Jumper Day $12^{th} - 15^{th}$ May 18th December **Christmas Performance** Year 6 SATs Week 5:00pm Parents Welcome 20th December Christmas Performance June $8^{th} - 13^{th}$ June Phonics Screening Check Year 9:15am Parents Welcome (Please note: the Christmas 4 Multiplication performances on the 18th and 20th 20th June Sports Day from 9:30am December are the same)



Coffee & Chat ...

How can we help you?

Come along to:

Whittington Primary School, Station Rd, Whittington, Oswestry SY11 4DA

1st Tuesday of each month from the 3rd December 9am - 11am

> Free information, advice and support around;

- Family Life
- Domestic Abuse support
- Housing and Finance support
- Special Educational Needs and/ Training and Employment or Disabilities (SEND) support
- · Parenting support
- · Little Stars Babu Bank/
 - support and much more

Supporting families with children aged 0-19 years (up to 25 years for young people with special educational needs and disabilities) aim to make it easier for you to ask for help and get support when you need it.







Shropshire Parenting Help and Support Line

01743 250950

Mon - Thurs, 9.30am - 4.30pm Fri, 9.30am - 3.30pm

No judament just support.



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