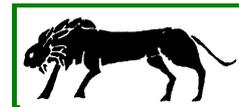


Woodchester School News

Newsletter



8th February 2018

THEME

This term, we explored the value "Compassion".

'Clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience' Colossians 3:12

HEADTEACHER'S NEWS

Thank you to all parents who have taken time to complete and return the Parent Questionnaire. Part of my 'holiday homework' will be to analyse your responses and I hope to be able to provide feedback early next half term.

Last week, during Collective Worship, we warmly welcomed the Revd Deborah Curram to the Woodchester family and I'm sure that the children will enjoy working with her in the future. We are very lucky, here at Woodchester Endowed School, to be able to draw on a committed band of volunteers who help to make our Collect Worship stimulating and reflective including Revd Francis, Mr Harris and the 'Open the Book' team. Thank you, also, to our wonderfully enthusiastic children who are not only amazing singers but who regularly volunteer and offer their thoughts and opinions in such a respectful way. Our talented musicians also contribute to our Worship, playing music at the beginning and end of each assembly.

I hope that you all have a happy and restful half-term holiday.

Mrs Pennington

PTA NEWS

Our school disco is fast approaching. It will take place on **Thursday 22nd February**.

KS1 5:15-6:15 pm

KS2 6:15-7-15 pm

The following week will be quiz time! That's on **Friday 9th March**. More news on that to follow.

Remember to keep using the easy fundraising window when shopping online.

Busy behind the scenes, our amazing parent fundraiser Emily has been beavering away, applying for grants in order to improve our school grounds. This week, we received wonderful news that we have been awarded a grant of £2000 and this will be put to use to improve the surface of

the trim trail enabling it to be used again.

Thank you, Emily, for your perseverance, determination and hard work.



DATES

INSET Day: Friday 09.02.18

Museum in the Park Half Term Activities
www.museuminthepark.org.uk

Back to school: Monday 19.02.18

World Book Day: Thursday 01.03.18
(dress up as a book character)

Mock Trials: Thursday 08.03.18

Easter Service: Wednesday 28.03.18

Nature Quiz: Wednesday 28.03.18

Last day of term: Thursday 29.03.18

CLUBS Mon: Football Y3 & Y4 (Andy)
Flamenco Dancing

Tues: Kick Off Y5 & Y6

Wed: Dance (KS2)/Netball (KS2)

Thurs: Roaring Rugby

CHURCH APPEAL

Help to raise funds for St Mary's Church, 'A Building for Everyone' Appeal.

Sat 3rd March: Evening of Quizzery
Woodchester Village Hall

7pm for 7:30pm start

£10, including buffet meal

Tickets from Sally on 01453 873003

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The following children have been recognised for demonstrating positive attitudes explored in our Jigsaw PSHE programme.

Weekly Celebration

Karrissa Leon Arabella Cleo

Riddiford Shield Tournament

Last week, our two football teams competed in the final of the Riddiford Shield Tournament. All the boys conducted themselves magnificently, demonstrating resilience, perseverance and determination. Despite each team losing their first two matches, they kept their chins up and kept working as a team. With such spirited performances both teams deserved their win in the third and final match. They did amazingly well to reach the finals of the competition and we are all immensely proud of them all. Thank you to Andy, Mrs Megson and all the parents for their encouraging support.



Achievement Awards

The following children have received Achievement Awards this term and for a variety of different reasons. These have included helping others, working hard, persevering, motivation as well as for excellent progress in academic work. Well done to you all!

Ash	Beech	Hawthorn	Juniper	Willow
George	Isaac	Alfie	Ellie	Willow
Harvey	Leia	Joe	Emily	Kasper
Lily	Emily	Teigan	Karrissa	Elliot
Grace	Edie-Lou	Jonathan	Austin	
Emi/Cleo	Eva		Chloe/Nick	

Other Achievements

Huge congratulations to Sebastian for achieving Grade 4 Distinction in Singing.

Thank you to Alice and Amelia for sharing their recent achievements. Children in Beech have enjoyed swimming this term and already some of the children have achieved badges. Keep up the good work.

Rotary Writing Award Lily received her Runner Up award on Saturday and we wish her luck as her entry goes forward to be judged in the National competition.

Administering Medicines Policy—important notice.

Any medicine, including inhalers, must be given to Mrs Davis or Mrs Smith in the office and not to class teachers. We would prefer not to have to give medication to children but understand that there are occasions when this is unavoidable. To ensure proper procedures are followed and children and staff are kept safe, parents **must** complete the appropriate paperwork before any medication can be administered. Thank you for your understanding.

Start of the Day At times, the school entrance, corridors and classrooms have become very congested with adults. Next half term, all classes will line up in the playground and walk inside with their teacher. Any urgent messages should be given to the Headteacher or office staff so that teachers can settle their classes quickly and the day can begin calmly and promptly. Appointments to speak to teachers can be made through the office or Class Dojo. Thank you.