

# WIDECOMBE PRIMARY NEWSLETTER

## No. 15 8th January 2016

### **Welcome Back**

I would like to wish you all lots of happiness in this New Year. The children have come back to school very excited to share their Christmas experiences and tell us about the presents that Santa has delivered. They have settled back into school life remarkably quickly and it is lovely to see their smiley faces filling the school again.

### Weather - Welly Boots

With all of this wet weather, we appear to have developed a small spring in the grass bank at the top of the playground. This has developed into a small stream running through the middle of the playground. The playground is still in use, but children must be wearing welly boots if they want to play football or other games on there. The hall, small playground, nature area and outdoor classroom can all be used if your child does not have welly boots.

#### Snow/Ice

In case of snow or ice over the coming weeks, please note that we will post a 'delayed start' or 'school closure' notice on the website and Devon Radio will be notified. If you are at all unsure about school being open, please delay your trip and contact school before starting out.

Sometimes we have to close school during the day when there is heavy snow. If you get a message about this, please come to school immediately, because the roads around Widecombe can quickly become impassable. Please ensure that we are kept up-to-date with your contact details.

#### PE Kits

Please can children have their PE kits in school every day.

## Sharing Afternoon

On the last Thursday of each half term parents and carers are invited to come into school so that your child can share a selection of their learning of which they are particularly proud. The first Sharing Afternoon will be on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2016 at 2.45pm.

## **New Website**

If you have visited the school website over the last few days you might have noticed that it looks very different! We are in the process of populating the website to in order to personalise it to our school. There have been one or two glitches that we have fixed, but if you notice any others please inform us.

## Year 5/6 Residential

This is a reminder that deposit payments for the residential visit to Start Bay are due by 29th January. These have been set up on ParentPay.

## School Dinners

Please can we remind parents to check your ParentPay accounts regularly. Please make sure there are sufficient funds for your child to have school dinners for the week(s) ahead and that payments have not just been made for meals your child has already had. New menus for the 3 weeks from 18th January will be sent home next Friday.

#### Headlice

Please would all parents/carers take a special look at their children's hair this weekend as an incidence of headlice has been reported. Thank you.

**Des Stokes** 

**Head of School** 

This Week's Learning Superheroes

Congratulations to:-

Fern Asher Teyla

## ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

Well done to Lower Dart for achieving excellent attendance this week

Lower Dart 100% Upper Dart 98% Webburn 96%

#### **EVENTS NEXT WEEK**

Monday 11th January

Maths Breakfast Club @ 8.10am Living Word Library (Lunchtime) Board Games Club

Wednesday 13th January

Maths Breakfast Club @ 8.10am

**Thursday 14th January** 

**Gymnastics Club** 

Friday 15th January

Literacy Breakfast Club @ 8.10am
Webburn Library Day
Widdy Tots at Pre-School

PLEASE SEE OVERLEAF FOR MORE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

#### Emailed or Sent with the Newsletter

Clubs List Spring Term Webburn Class Newsletter

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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thurs. 21st January Parent Workshops 5 — 6.30pm in School

Wed. 10th February Year 4 Gymnastics Festival, 2 — 4pm at SDCC, parents to collect

Thurs. 11th February Sharing Afternoon for Parents at 2.45pm

Wed. 24th February Scholastic Book Fair in School until 1st March

Mon. 15th to

Fri. 19th February HALF TERM

Tues. 1st March Upper Dart Primary Body Language 1 — 8pm at SDCC, parents to collect

Wed. 2nd March Year 3-6 cross country @ Stover 4 — 6pm, parents to take and collect

Thurs. 24th March Last Day of Term

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