



WIDCOMBE PRIMARY NEWSLETTER

No. 6

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Harvest

Thank you for the Harvest contributions which were greatly received and delivered to St Pancras Church for distribution.

Parents' Vision Statement

A big thank you to the parents who attended on Tuesday after school, to discuss their vision of the direction of our school. It was a constructive meeting; your comments and time are greatly appreciated.

If you were unable to attend the meeting, it is not too late to let us know your thoughts! Please feel free to email Barbara or speak to any of the staff members.

PE Kit

Please can you make sure that your child has their PE kit in school at all times. We are keen for the older children to start being responsible for remembering their own PE kit, but could you give them a gentle reminder if they forget. PE days are as follows:

Webburn - Monday, Wednesday and Thursday

Lower Dart - Tuesday and Thursday

Upper Dart - Wednesday and Friday

Christmas Cards!

Apologies for mentioning the 'Christmas' word so early in the year! However, on the afternoon of Wednesday 14th October, the children will be designing Christmas cards, which Friends are then going to turn into printed cards. We are requesting your support to assist small groups in creating their designs. If you are available to support us please let Barbara know.

Year 6 Parents

A reminder that the closing date for secondary school applications is 31st October.

Make a Difference Day

On 6th November we will be having our annual 'Make a Difference Day'. If you know of any worthy causes in the local community where our pupils can make a difference, please let us know.

School Nurse

The school nurse will be coming on Wednesday 11th November to see children in Reception and Year 6 for height and weight measurements. Please see letters attached with full details.

ParentPay

If you have already activated your ParentPay accounts, you will now be able to pay for school dinners online. Opening balances, either credit or debit, have been added to your accounts as of today and will be visible when you log on. We will still be sending out paper copies of menus for 3 weeks ahead, but **please do not send any cash or cheque payments into school.** Please continue to fill in your menus and return them on Monday but make the necessary payments online.

If your child is taking part in Football Club, payment for this half term can now also be made via ParentPay.

If you have any problems at all, either activating your account or paying for items, please let Barbara know.

Emailed or Sent with the Newsletter

Menus for next 3 weeks

Operation Christmas Child Leaflets

Measuring Height & Weight (R & Year 6)

Ashmoor Half Term Events

Half Term Hockey Course (emailed)

This Week's Learning Superheroes

Congratulations to:-

Ollie P

Charlie R

Cosmo

ATTENDANCE

Well done to Webburn for the best attendance figure so far this term.

Webburn 97.5%

Lower Dart 95.7%

Upper Dart 95.5%

EVENTS NEXT WEEK

Monday 12th October

DT & Library Clubs

Governors' AGM in school @ 5.30pm

Tuesday 13th October

Angel Heart Theatre Performance in school pm

Beads & Dance Clubs

Wednesday 14th October

Christmas Card designing pm

Thursday 15th October

Football & Games Clubs

Friday 16th October

Webburn Library Day

Widdy Tots at Pre-School

HALF TERM

Monday 19th to Friday 30th October

Angel Heart Theatre

We are welcoming the Angel Heart Theatre into school on Tuesday to perform "Freya", a Viking themed play to link in with this term's topic.

Operation Christmas Child

You will find attached leaflets for this year's shoebox appeal. The deadline for returning your filled shoeboxes to school is Friday 6th November. We have spare copies of leaflets in school.

Des Stokes

Head of School

FRIENDS' NEWS

Another amazing Fun Run with the British weather yet again being very kind to us. We had 28 runners with Jamie Blondell winning his year group and the overall run. Helen Partridge did extremely well to win the family shield, along with Tori, James and Ollie.

We do not have exact totals yet, but the sponsorship money so far is £510.45, an incredible amount I think you will agree!

Many thanks to all who helped.

Sarah Pipe

Chair of Friends of Widecombe School

WIDECOMBE FACTFILE

Claire Hutchings

- Roles in School:** Teaching Assistant in Webburn
- Hobbies:** Farming and cooking
- Favourite Food:** Roast potatoes
- Super Power:** Being able to fly
- Pets:** 2 cows, 2 calves, 3 sheep, 2 ponies and 1 dog
- Starsign:** Capricorn

Which two are true?

- ◆ My birthday is on Christmas Eve
- ◆ I live on a farm
- ◆ I like snakes and rats

