



WELBECK PRIMARY – PARENT/CARER NEWSLETTER

SPRING TERM 2 2024



Dear parents/carers,

What a lovely, warm start back to our Spring term it was this week. The children look well rested and excited to be back to school with their friends. We have a busy term planned ahead with lots of physical activities for your children to enjoy outdoors. Please read all of the information below.

Staffing news:

We welcome back Mrs Muntaquim now known as Mrs Khan who returns to Welbeck in Y2/1 following her maternity leave. Mrs Khan will work a few days in Y2/1 then return Mon-Thursday after Easter. Mrs Tuck will begin her maternity leave at Easter. We are delighted to announce that Mrs Weatherall is also expecting a baby and will start her maternity leave in May following the SATS. We wish Mrs Weatherall and Mrs Tuck a continued happy and healthy pregnancy.

Arts Council Creative Collaboratives:

We are the leading school in this three-year creativity project. This term, David 'Stickman' Higgins will be in school to work with KS2 pupils. Mrs Weatherall will lead a project this term to develop creativity at playtimes. More information to follow.

Charity support:

We partnered with Wolfgang Buttress and the Nottingham Literacy Trust to put together 42 large art and activity packs for children experiencing homelessness and living in hotels. A big thank you to the pupils who supported this project.

Online safety:

This continues to cause worry and concerns for Primary age children. Research shows that **50% of children aged 7-11 have witnessed sexual or violent content whilst watching You Tube or Tiktok**. This is hugely worrying and will have a negative impact on children in the future. Online safety should be top priority in all households. Please ensure all 13+ APPs are deleted from devices. Children using these APPs is a safeguarding risk. Please take time to look at devices and check they are safe for your child to use. **All screens should be removed from bedrooms at night.**

Attendance:

We are committed to ensuring our school overall attendance is above national average. Please remember all children are expected to attend school even if a family member is unwell or they have a mild cold/cough/headache. Children must also not miss school to travel abroad for extended periods to see sick family members. We have a very long waiting list so school places **may be removed** if children are taken abroad for a long period of time.

Safety:

Please ensure you bring your child to the classroom door each morning so they arrive safely.

Passports/Vias enquiries:

We have received many requests to be visa and passport referees. Unfortunately, staff members cannot be referees for either of these.

Parking:

I have received further complaints from neighbours about parents/carers parking over their drive. Please walk to school where possible or park safely where you can as this is causing additional stress for neighbours and staff.

Please remember to book your open evening slot on Tuesday 19th and Wednesday 20th March 2024. Class teachers need to see every parent/carer to tell you how brilliantly your child is doing! Please make the time to attend. On this day-there will be a community event in school hall-please pop in to see what support we can offer.

Details below:

- IT support with Carl. Get onto X (formally Twitter) Arbor
- Health and well being support with Mr Marks
- Family support with Ms Coull
- Notts County programmes on offer
- Holiday Activity Fund

FREE Easter Holiday club

Welbeck pupils that are entitled to Free School Meals can gain early free access to the Nottingham Forest Holiday club where they can take part in football, basketball, tennis, hockey, hula hooping and boxing AND get a free breakfast, lunch and tea. Book early to avoid disappointment. Ms Coull will send out the link nearer the time.

Please note the following INSET days: Friday 28th June and Friday 26th July 2024

Warm regards,

Ms Rebecca Gittins
Headteacher

Key dates to note for the term

Date	Time	Class	Event
Wednesday 21 st February	9am	Y4T	Swimming starts
Friday 23 rd February	pm	Y1-Y6 winners	Reading treat-pyjama/slippers afternoon
Thursday 29 th February	12.30pm	Selected Y3/4 pupils	Sportshall athletics competition at Harvey Hadden
Friday 1 st March	9am	Y6	Secondary school offer announced via email
Thursday 7 th March	All day	All	World Book Day-children dress as their favourite book character.
Friday 8 th March	9am	KS1	Mother's day crafts
Monday 11 th March	pm	Selected KS1	Agility festival
Tuesday 12 th March	pm	Selected Y5 pupils	Handball competition
Monday 11 th –15 th March	Science week-all classes		
Monday 18 th March	pm	5 year olds	Teeth check
Tuesday 19 th and Wednesday 20 th March	3.15pm	Rec-Y6	Open evening
Thursday 14 th March	2.45pm	Selected pupils	Rock Steady music performance
Wednesday 20 th March	am	Y4	Great Orchestra experience at Albert Hall
Tuesday 26 th March	9am	All	Easter Run starting with reception.
Tuesday 26 th March	2.30pm	Y3-Y5	Spring concert for parents/carers in hall
Thursday 28 th March	9am	Invite only	End of term awards in hall Last day of school

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