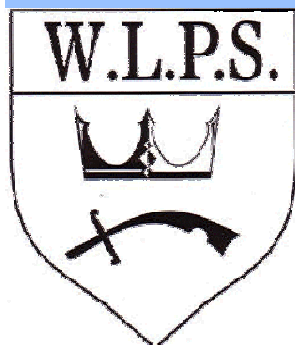


SPRING TERM

12th February 2016



REMINDER

PARENTS ARE ASKED NOT TO PARK ON THE PAVEMENTS OUTSIDE THE SCHOOL WHEN BRINGING THEIR CHILDREN TO AND FROM SCHOOL, AS THIS CAN CAUSE AN OBSTRUCTION.

THANK YOU

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had a great start to 2016 and the Spring Term. The children have worked really hard and now deserve a well earned rest. Have a great half term break and we look forward to seeing you back on the 22nd February.

100th Day Maths Celebrations !

We will be holding our '100th Day' Celebrations on Monday 22nd Feb. The theme this year is 'Times Tables' and we have organized various activities for the children to take part in throughout the day. We will also be running a workshop for parents after school at 3.15pm in the Hall. Our special menu for this day will be a 'Grab a bag meal' consisting of Cheese Pizza with Chips, a Chocolate Fairy Cake and a Drink. So start practicing those 'times tables' over the holiday!

Football

We have a few football matches booked in for after half term and will therefore be starting our Football club after school on Monday 22nd Feb. (Please remember to bring your football boots, shin pads etc. with you).

Running club first Monday back

Just a reminder that the Cross Country Competition is looming (Tuesday 1st March) so training will continue on the first Monday Morning back before School. Don't forget your change of clothes and dry socks!

Choir

I have pleasure in confirming that Mr Rawlings will be continuing with our Choir on Tuesday's after School. We have a few places still available for KS2 children. If your child is interested in joining then please pick up a permission slip from the office. Spaces will be offered on a first come first served basis.

PTA Re-cycling Day

The PTA have organised a Textile Re-cycling day for Wednesday the 24th Feb and have sent out the bags already. Hopefully, you will be able to do some sorting out of old clothes during the half term break! Many thanks in advance for your continued support.

Year 5 Production 'Shakespeare Rocks'

Year 5 put on an exclusive adaptation of William Shakespeare's diary. After 6 weeks hard work and being busy bees it all paid off when the audience got up on their feet. The old fashioned comedy was brought to life in the modern world. The rip-roaring comedy made the audience's faces ache with laughter. Not forgetting the touching song, sung by Robbie (Romeo) and Jessica (Juliet) which made the audience drown in tears. Aubrey (Sophie) and Al (Harvey), the Narrators guided you through the magnificent play. The play was introduced by Ellie who was also cast as a sorcerer along with Chelsey and Katie. The up beat songs made everybody want to dance. We all had so much fun. (report by Sophie).

I would like to add that I felt that this was a really wonderful performance by all of the children in Year 5 and I was very impressed by the quality of singing and acting. Well done to all.

World Book week

This year's Book week will start with our annual reading breakfast on the Monday morning 29th Feb and will finish with a reading café on Friday 4th in the afternoon. Please read the back page to this newsletter for full details.

Attendance League
Well done to Monet Class for winning the Attendance League this week and to Dali class for winning the attendance league this Half Term.

Weekly results

Class	Result	League points
Turner	99.0%	7
Picasso	93.67%	4
Matisse	94.67%	12
Monet	99.31%	13
Hockney	95.71%	4
Goldsworthy	96.33%	13
Dali	95.33%	14
Whole school % since the start of the year	96.30%	Lead Class Dali

Diary dates

22nd Feb	Back to school 100th day celebrations—grab a bag meal for lunch
23rd Feb	Parents evening 3.30-7pm
24th Feb	- Parents evening 3.30-5pm - PTA Textile Recycling day
29th Feb	Football Match against Robert Drake School at home
1st March	X Country Competition at Castle View School 9.15am
2nd March	Football Match against Wyburn School at home
3rd March	World Book Day
11th March	School Disco
18th March	Sport Relief Day
22nd March	- Year 5 & 6 trip to Colchester Castle all day - Road Safety talk with Reception children and parents 9-12pm
24th March	Last day of Term
11th April	Back to school
9-13th May	SATS's Week
5th-8th June	Yr. 6 Residential trip

Parents' Support Page

As some of you may know, there is now a greater focus on children's Grammar, Punctuation and spelling. We know how hard you work on supporting your child with their weekly spellings and we would also like you to help your child with correcting their grammar.

I thought that if I gave you the main areas of concern, you would be able to work with your child should they use incorrect grammar.

The most common mistakes are:

We was, = we **were**

We/I/he/she/they done *should be* we/I/he/she/they did

The apple what I had = The apple **that** I had

Why don't he go out? = why **doesn't** he go out?

Should/would/could of *should be* should/would/could **have**

I'm not speaking to nobody = I'm not speaking to **anybody**

I caught = I **caught**

I writ = I **wrote**

I weren't very good = I **wasn't** very good

We wasn't very good = we weren't very good

Molly and me went to... = Molly and I went to...

Me and Molly want to... = Molly and I would like to...

I ain't gonna = I'm not going to

Also correcting the omission of letters or mis-pronunciation of words - e.g.

Wa'er = water

Wri'l = Writtle

Somefink = something

Ad enough = had enough