

...in the news!

20th January 2017

This newsletter will keep you updated with events at Wheatfields Primary and it is intended to add to the information you receive on a regular basis from your child(s) class teacher in the weekly 'Good News Learning Review' and the curriculum letters.

The 4 R's

At Wheatfields we are teaching the children skills that we hope will enable them to take responsibility for their learning, be life - long learners and good citizens for the future. One way we are doing this is to learn about the 4 R's; **Resilience, Reciprocity, Resourcefulness and Reflectiveness**. Over the next few weeks, the focus will be on resilience including perseverance, managing distractions and taking risks. Weekly Headteacher assemblies and key stage assemblies will be used to introduce and discuss the theme of the week. This will also be referred to in the Learning Review so that you are able to carry on the discussions at home.

The Bridge Magazine

St Ives residents will be familiar with The Bridge magazine, which communicates news, views and events from St Ives Town Council. I am really pleased to say that Wheatfields features alongside the other St Ives schools but unfortunately the photograph that accompanies our text is of another school. I am in contact with the magazine and have made our disappointment known.

Good Attendance Matters

One way that Wheatfields is measured by Ofsted is % attendance. I am really pleased to say that our % attendance has improved year on year from **94.8%** in 2013-14 to **96.2%** 2015-16. More of our pupils are accessing the curriculum more of the time which will make them better learners. During the autumn end of Term assembly, we presented 131 certificates for 100% attendance last term. Congratulations to all! We will continue our efforts to improve attendance and our focus this term is to reduce the numbers of pupils that are late to school. When children arrive on time, they are happy and ready to learn. Thank you in advance for your support.

School Meals

We are delighted that our school meals remain as popular as ever. To help us with the logistics of providing freshly prepared, hot meals each day for EYFS and KS1 pupils, it helps us to know as much in advance as possible how many pupils require a school meal so that orders can be accurate with our suppliers and there is less waste. Once a decision has been made whether to

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have a packed lunch or school meal, we would ask that your decision does not change for the reasons stated above. Thank you in advance for your support.

Keeping Healthy

We are having proper, wintery weather at the moment but we still enjoy spending parts of our day outside. Please can you remind your children to wear their coats to school and to wear them when they go outside. Hopefully this will help to keep us all fit and healthy – thank you.

Contact Details

It is important that we have up to date contact details held here at school so that we can get in touch with you in an emergency. Should your circumstances change, please inform the school straight away. Thank you.

Parent View

Please remember to voice your opinion of our school via the Ofsted Parent View pages found at:

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>

The feedback you give helps us to know what we are doing well and where we need to further improve.

We aim to give you as much notice as possible for school events. All dates can be found using the calendar on our school website www.wheatfields.cambs.sch.uk. You will also receive our Calendar of Events detailing events through the school year.

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Headteacher