

...in the news!

8th February 2019

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 'Learning Review' and termly curriculum letters.

Governor News

After many years of service to the school, our Chair of Governors, Maureen Clarke, has resigned. Whilst still being a huge advocate of the school, personal matters have determined that Maureen is unable to continue with the Chair role at this time. I am delighted to let you all know that as a result of an election at the Full Governing Body meeting this week, we now have a Co-Chair partnership to continue leading Wheatfields' governance. Andy Moffat, Chair of Resources and a governor for many years including the time his children were at the school, will partner with Lisa Ling, also a former Parent Governor and now a Partnership Governor with a keen interest in Standards. Andy brings expertise from his Local Government role and Lisa contributes with her substantial background in Education.

Michelle Short
Vice Chair Governors

CALM town

CALM is a charity that supports young people and adults with mental health.

Reverend Matt Finch, of St Ives Methodist Church, is working with the people of St Ives in an effort to make the town the first ever CALM (Campaign against Living Miserably) town. Striving to make St Ives a CALM town will allow people from different community groups to get involved and raise awareness of the importance of mental health. The vision for the project is to shape a community where nobody needs to struggle with mental health on their own and that there is always someone to listen or place to go. Events will be held across the year to raise awareness for the cause. A meeting is being held at St Ives Methodist Church on February 13 at 7.30pm. Anyone who would like to get involved is invited to come along to the meeting.

BBCRadio 2 500 words Competition

In our assembly together on Monday we looked at and heard the winning stories from last year's 500 words competition to inspire as many of us as possible to enter the competition this year. Last year's final was at Hampton Court Palace and there are some short films showing Chitty Chitty Bang Bang and all of the winners and celebrity story readers. This year's final will take place at Windsor Castle and wouldn't be great if there was a pupil from Wheatfields at the final! More information can be found using the link below. Good luck everyone!

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p00rfvk1>

Young Carers at Wheatfields

Thursday 31st January saw school join in with National Young Carers Awareness Day by taking part in a number of games and activities across the school. The staff were impressed by the level of compassion and engagement the children displayed whilst taking part in the activities. We also held a cake sale after school which raised over £130, thank you to all who donated and came to support the event. A competition to

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design a school Young Carers logo had a huge amount of impressive entries. It was difficult to decide on the winning design, but after much discussion Amelia and Sophia secured the winning entry by creating a thoughtful and diverse logo.

If you would like more information on Young Carers please see the school website or speak to Mrs Cutbush.

Help with Fostering in Cambridgeshire

Have you ever considered becoming a foster carer? If so, now is a great time to start your fostering journey as Cambridgeshire County Council's fostering service is currently recruiting carers to a wide range of rewarding roles. We are particularly keen to hear from anyone who could provide a home to a teenager in care and offer them the help and support they need. To find out more about how you can make a difference, call today on 0800 052 0078 or visit www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/fostering

Term Dates 2019 – 2020

Professional Days have been added to the school calendar for 2019 – 2020.

With very best wishes,

Mrs Thornton

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.