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### **RIP Queen Elizabeth II**

We are very thankful that as a school community we were able to be together to learn more about the Queen and celebrate her Platinum Jubilee earlier this year. Staff are being guided by the children in terms of answering any questions they may have about her passing. Our key message to the children is that we are thankful for her hard work and continuous service she has given to our Country and around the World and that we are thinking of her family. As a female role model, she was remarkable. Pupils and staff from year 1 upwards sat together and watched the short film (link below) in assembly this morning so that we could have some quiet and reflective time. The children were very interested and respectful.

https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-46523387

I am sure that you will have seen that there will possibly be a Bank Holiday on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September but we have not yet received confirmation of arrangements from the DfE.

#### Welcome back!!

A very warm welcome back to the new academic year at Wheatfields. Despite the challenges that families, staff and pupils had on Monday, it has been a good week and very good to all be together again.

#### **New faces**

We are delighted to welcome several new pupils and families to Wheatfields. All of your pupils are settling in very well and making friends. Our Preschool pupils and Early Years pupils started this week. They have been enjoying themselves and finding their feet already. Well done all!

Our new staff have also made an excellent start. Mrs Pope is teaching Ash Class, Early Years. Mrs Sandham is teaching Elm class, year 1 / 2. Mrs Jacklin is teaching Rowan Class, year 5. We also welcome Mrs O'Hagan who is our newest member of the admin team at Wheatfields. You will meet Mrs O'Hagan if you come into reception as she will be sharing the front desk with Miss Keane. Miss Keane is recovering from an operation over the summer and is currently not in work so please bear with us if you don't get a response as quickly as you would expect.

Please continue to use our usual channels of communication to contact us. When you need to give us an urgent message, please phone 01480 466919. Admin queries or non-urgent messages can be sent to <a href="mailto:office@wheatfields.cambs.sch.uk">office@wheatfields.cambs.sch.uk</a> or <a href="mailto:admin@wheatfields.cambs.sch.uk">admin@wheatfields.cambs.sch.uk</a>

Our school website address <a href="https://www.wheatfields.cambs.sch.uk">https://www.wheatfields.cambs.sch.uk</a>

Any non-urgent messages for a class teacher can be sent to the class email address. They can be found using this link.

https://www.wheatfields.cambs.sch.uk/website/class emails for non-urgent teacher contact/570458



















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### **Premises Manager Required**

We are still looking for our next premises manager! If you know someone who is a handy man or woman who may be interested in the role, please ask them to get in touch. We are so grateful to the amazing Mr Dove who is helping us out currently.

#### **Headteacher Awards**

Each week the school comes together to hear about the achievements of a child within each class. The teacher tells the whole school about the effort and hard work that the recipient has demonstrated through the week. Our school values are often linked with the Headteachers award each week. As a Wheatfields learner we are – Reflective, Resourceful, Resilient, Reciprocal and Respectful (5Rs). Mrs Merson also presents a music award each week and we also find out which class has won the Weekly Word Count Trophy for Lower KS2 and Upper KS2 pupils using Accelerated Reader, our reading programme. House points are also counted and the winning team each week is announced. Five wins earns each House a non-uniform day. Next week all pupils will be voting for their year 6 house captains. Looking at our year 6 this year, I think they will deliver speeches to a very high standard. Good luck Year 6!

#### Any spare trainers or books?

We are collecting any good quality trainers that your children have outgrown please and any good quality reading books for children to take home. We will gratefully receive any donations you may have. Please bring them to the front entrance, thank you.

#### **Coder Dojo opportunity**

CoderDojo Wyton Tuesdays: 18:30 – 2000 Wyton on the Hill Primary School

First Session: 20thSeptember

What is CoderDojo? A global, volunteer-led movement of **free**, **not-for-profit coding clubs (Dojos)** for young people aged 7 to 17. The movement places a strong emphasis on openness and on showing how coding can be a force for positive change in the world.

What is coding? Coding, or computer programming, is the skill of taking a problem and creating a set of instructions — which we call a computer program — for a computer to solve that problem. Computer programs can be anything from simple ones that add two numbers together, all the way up to complex websites, video games, or apps.

Book your place here: <a href="https://zen.coderdojo.com/dojos/gb/wyton-cambridgeshire/wyton-wyton-primary-school">https://zen.coderdojo.com/dojos/gb/wyton-cambridgeshire/wyton-wyton-primary-school</a>



















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Email: wyton\_primaryschool.uk@coderdojo.com

Facebook: CoderDojo Wyton

Why is learning to code important? Learning to code teaches young people to think logically to build programs and solve complex issues. And because writing and debugging code involves learning through trial and error, it also helps young people develop independence, perseverance, and resilience.

#### St Ives Town Football

The St Ives Rangers FC Mini-Minis are open for all 4 to 8-year-olds in St Ives. Presently, there are over 400 players from Reception year to Adults, Girls and Mixed Teams, and a Disability Team.

Weekly: 9-10:30am. £5 registration, then only £1 per week. More information can be found at **stivesrangersfc@gmail.com** 

I hope you have an enjoyable weekend when it comes.

Best wishes,

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