

...in the news!

First Edition 2019-2020

*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.*

### **Welcome to the new school year 2019-2020!**

Phew – we have hit the ground running again at Wheatfields with lots of exciting things happening! Don't forget to read the Learning Reviews to see what the children have been learning about. From next week, year groups will include a sentence or two about next week's learning as well to parents and carers to support at home.

A very warm welcome to all of our new families that joined us at the start of term. We are excited to be working with you. All of the children are settling in beautifully.

### **House Captains**

Congratulations to our House Captains that were elected last Friday. All of our year 6 pupils that prepared speeches for the elections did themselves and their Houses proud. The roles were highly contested and the voting was incredibly close!

The House Captains for 2019-2020 are:-

Rubies - Leo and Eden

Emeralds – Illaria and Noah

Diamonds – Daniel and Ava

Sapphires – Oliver and Maria

### **School Meals**

We often hear how much the children enjoy their school meals that are freshly prepared on a daily basis. Due to the cost of everything increasing school meals cost £2.20 as of 1<sup>st</sup> September 2019. Thank you for your continued support. Should your family circumstances have changed recently and mean that you might meet the requirements for Pupil Premium and free school meals, please email the office@ address for the attention of Mrs. Verney-Davies.

### **Home Learning & Homework review**

Thank you to all those who gave us feedback on Homework in response to the letter sent home on 11<sup>th</sup> September – it is very much appreciated. As much as we try to capture all views, there will always be some whom we inevitably miss who may wish to have their say.

With that in mind, we have created a simple survey which enables us to capture these comments. It can be accessed through the following link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/XGYHVH5>

If you have already sent in feedback via email or have spoken with Mrs Thornton on the playground, there is no need to complete the survey.

### **Year 1 New Home**

Funding has been secured to fix the leaking roof over the year 1 unit. Year 1 will be using the mobile that belonged to Burleigh Hill Preschool while the work is taking space. The repair to the roof is expected to last 4 – 6 weeks. On the first day next term, your children can line up in their usual spots on the KS1 playground. The children will need collecting from the preschool mobile. Please stand back from the ramp so that we can look for the known adults before we let the children go. Thank you.

### **Pants and Socks**

Should you have any pants or socks for boys or girls that no longer fit, we can take them off your hands. Our 'spare' stock in school has depleted so we would be very grateful for any donations for all ages, but mainly ages 4 – 7. Thank you!

...in the news!

First Edition 2019-2020

### **Morning Whistle**

It is important that we allow the children to come into school independently to start their day. To help with this, please encourage your children to carry their own bags and lunch boxes! When the whistle goes for lining up, please take this as the opportunity to say good bye and take a step back away from the line so that the teachers can see all of the children coming in. If your child is upset, extra staff are usually available to help to get them settled as soon as possible.

### **Morning messages**

We realise that there is only a short amount of time each morning to speak to teachers to pass on a quick message. Therefore, should you need to communicate something that will take longer with the teachers, the best way is to write in the communication book as they get looked at every day. If you wish to communicate a message in person, the best way is to email using the office@address for the attention of that teacher and a time to meet can be arranged. This is to avoid interrupting teaching and learning time at the start of the day. A useful document is available on our website about how to raise a concern and can be found using the link below.

[https://www.wheatfields.cambs.sch.uk/website/raising\\_a\\_concern\\_at\\_wheatfields/379965](https://www.wheatfields.cambs.sch.uk/website/raising_a_concern_at_wheatfields/379965)

### **Class Assemblies**

Each class at Wheatfields enjoys sharing their learning with parents especially during their class assemblies. The class assemblies are always on a Wednesday morning after drop off and the dates are on the Calendar of Events that has been sent out and is available on our website.

### **Young Carers Club**

The, invitation only, club is designed to allow the schools Young Carers time to be children and have a break from the caring responsibilities they have at home for a while. If you think that your child might be a Young Carer or have any questions please ask at the school office to speak to Mrs Cutbush or look on the school website for more information.

Mrs Cutbush and Mrs Maloney

### **PAWS AGM**

Parents At Wheatfields School are holding their AGM on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October. You are already part of PAWS as you are parents of children registered at our lovely school. We have been very fortunate to have a brilliant team of parents that have been on the PAWS committee for many years and raised such a lot of money for the school. Sadly, their time to sit on the committee has come to an end therefore we are looking for a new committee! To find out more, please come and talk to me or any of our existing committee members; Lisa (Ben Y6) Julia (Harry Y6) Frances (Emily Y7 at the Ivo) Paula (Micah Y2) Katie (Ava Y2).

We do appreciate that being a parent is very demanding of your time and there do seem to be fewer people that can spare time to be part of such a worthy cause, therefore one thought is to have 2 – 3 PAWS committee members for each class that do a year each on the committee. Another thought is to have 2 – 3 Chairs of the PAWS committee so that the role can be shared. With budgets as tight as they are, I cannot emphasis enough how important funds raised by PAWS are. Money raised goes directly to helping support learning experiences for your children or to buy resources that you are not charged for at present. It is also a good opportunity to get involved in school life and to meet other parents. We would be very happy to listen to any new ideas for raising money that might be out there!

The PAWS AGM is taking place on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October at 7.00pm. Doors open at 6.30pm in order to have a chat with any existing members to find out more. I hope to see as many of you as possible there.

With very best wishes,

Mrs Thornton



...in the news!

First Edition 2019-2020

*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](http://www.wheatfields.cambs.sch.uk) . You will also receive our Calendar of Events detailing events through the school year*

