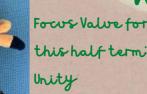
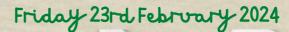
Wisborough Green Primary School

Weekly Newsletter







A Note from the Headteacher Curriculum

Welcome back to the second half of the spring term! We are looking forward to continuing with our 'Extreme Survival' theme across school, which will include an 'extreme sleepover' for Years 3 and 4 and a Mexican Day for Years 5 and 6. Year 5 also have their residential visit to Lodge Hill Activity Centre. Reception will be visiting Washbrooks Farm. Key Stage 1 are waiting for finer weather and are planning their educational visit for the summer term but are looking forward to a Polar Explorers workshop later this term, kindly funded by Billingshurst Lions. Please see the <u>curriculum page</u> on our website for more information about what children are learning in the wider curriculum.

Open Evening

We will be holding our annual Open Evening after school on **Wednesday 28th February**. Classrooms will be open to visitors from **3:30 to 4:45pm**, with an opportunity to see your child's work. The choir will be performing briefly from 3:40pm in the hall and Mr Harder, supported by some of our Year 5 children, will be running an international taster café from 3:55pm onwards. Please bring cash if you would like to visit the café. Children to be collected from the playground as usual. (Choir will go straight to the hall). Visitors may then enter through the main entrance from 3:30pm onwards. We look forward to seeing you there!

Home Learning

Last half term, we sent a survey to the parents of children in Years 5 and 6 to collect feedback about our school's compulsory home learning provision. We wanted to find out what we are doing well and where we could do better, decide which areas to prioritise when reviewing our Home Learning Guidance, and make sure that we are meeting the needs of our children. Only a very small number of parents responded but those that did indicated that they are satisfied with the amount of home learning provided, the amount of time devoted to it and the feedback provided where applicable. They strongly agreed that having home learning in Upper Key Stage Two helped their child to prepare for secondary school. Thank you to those parents/carers who took the time to respond. Your feedback is greatly appreciated.

It is heartening to see so many parents, carers and grandparents taking an interest in children's reading and attending our half-termly Family Reading sessions. Thank you to everyone who joined us this morning – the children love reading their books with you and proudly sharing their classrooms. Thank you!





Last half-term we sent home a voucher for World Book Day. To find out how to exchange your voucher or for more family reading ideas, please follow this link.

On **Wednesday 6th March**, we will be holding an Usborne Book Sale in the Hall after school. Children will have a brief opportunity to browse the books during the afternoon so please bring a means of payment with you if you would like to make a purchase.

On **Thursday 7th March**, children are invited to bring a potato to school, decorated as a favourite book character. There will be prizes for the winners of each class – we can't wait to see them!

Fairtrade Fortnight

Next week sees the start of Fairtrade Fortnight. The overarching theme is 'Climate, Fairtrade and You'. We will be thinking about how our choices can change the world and using several areas of the curriculum to expand our knowledge of Fairtrade - the international movement that works in partnership with 2 million farmers and workers across 70 countries to secure and sustain livelihoods. It would be helpful if you could draw your child's attention to any Fairtrade products you may see at home or at the shops over the coming weeks.



Sporting Events

As always, we are planning to take part in a range of sporting events this half term at The Weald. Children from Years 5 and 6 will have an opportunity to try indoor athletics, netball or 7-a-side football. We will also be participating in 'This Girl Can', a girls-only event including netball, football and hockey. If your child is selected to take part in any of these events, we will contact you directly.

Forest School

During the spring term we try to give our Forest School area a bit of a rest whilst the plants and animals have the space and time to grow. Most classes will focus on singing and music during this time, with the addition of language learning in Key Stage Two. Only Maple (Monday morning) and Oak Class (Wednesday afternoon) will take part in Forest School sessions this half-term in addition to Mr Harder's Tuesday afternoon group.

Spring Music Concert

Years 3 and 4 will be holding their Spring Music Concert on **Tuesday 12th March 2024**. As well as the two classes, the choir and invited instrumentalists will be taking part. Further details will be provided shortly, with two tickets allocated per family at £1 per ticket. There will be two performances that day at 3:30pm and 5:30pm.

Upcoming Dates

- Monday 26th Fairtrade Fortnight starts
- Monday 26th Year 6 Bikeability starts
- Monday 26th Netball at The Weald
- Tuesday 27th Weald Book Awards
- Wednesday 28th Open Evening 3:30-4:45pm



Congratulations to the winner of this week's PTA Cake Raffle!

HOUSE POINTS RED - 145

GREEN - 152 BLUE - 139

YELLOW - 117

For future diary dates, please visit our website's school calendar. Thank you.





