



## Welbourn Church of England Primary School

*'Believe, Excite, Succeed, Together'*

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2020**



Dear Parents and Carers,

As you may have heard, the infection rate in Lincolnshire and Kesteven has significantly risen and is now in line with the national average. More than ever we must take extra precautions to keep everyone safe and prevent the spread of infection. We still continue to keep to our bubbles and encourage social distancing where possible. Please can you ensure that you adhere to social distancing measures at the school gate before and after school.

This does mean that learning is delivered differently and we have not been able to have exciting trips and visitors as we normally would. We have also missed the parental engagement activities that we arrange on a termly basis but we hope to still provide enriching activities. Please follow our class and school Twitter feeds to keep up to date with your child's learning journey these can also be found on the class pages on our school website. Topaz parents are also encouraged to follow and comment on Tapestry.

Class teachers are looking forward to sharing your child's progress at our parents evening this week. Please contact the school office if you have not yet signed up for an appointment. As these meetings are going to be carried out via phone or video call, we need to keep to our scheduled times. If you have a separate concern that you would like to discuss, which may take longer please make a separate appointment.

We had our first Parent forum on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October via Zoom. Thank you to all of the parents who attended and shared their views. Further dates can be found on our school website. An update will be sent this week with regards to the changes that we will make to our provision and protocols next term. Our school plan for provision should we go into another lockdown or need to close a bubble will also be sent. This has been adapted in response to the suggestions made at the meeting so has taken a little longer to produce and send out.

Thank you to all of the parents who donated £1.00 for Rainbow Day and allowed their child to come to school dressed in bright, rainbow colours – we raised £51.00 for "Design Havens for Heroes".

Finally, more than ever we need your support. Budgets are tight and the Government has stopped all additional payments to schools to cover additional staffing and cleaning costs in response to Covid. We are also only receiving £80 per pupil as part of the promised 'catch up funding'. Please can you support or join our Friends of School to help raise money for our school. This is used to buy additional extras for our classes such as experiences, trips, extra resources and more! A FOS meeting will be held via zoom on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October at 4.30pm - an invite will be sent to all parents.

Kind regards

Mrs T Boulter

### Dates for your diary

- 01.10.20 - Black History month
- 14.10.20 - Parents evening
- 15.10.20 - Parents evening
- Jonathan Broom-Edwards virtual assembly at 1.30pm
- 19.10.20. to 22.10.20. - Bikeability for Year 5/6
- 21.10.20. – FOS meeting at 4.30pm via Zoom
- 21.10.20. – Harvest Festival service via Microsoft Teams 11.00am
- 22.10.20 – Sophie Allen virtual assembly at 9.15am
- End of term
- 23.10.20 - Staff inset day  
Open morning for new parents 10 – 11am
- 11.00am - Meet and greet the team (new prospective parents for September 2021)
- 02.11.20 - Term begins
- Hot school lunches start again – remember to order!!

### Safeguarding

We are committed to Safeguarding young children. Our updated Safeguarding and Child Protection policy is on our school website. (TAB Parents/ policies) If you have any concerns about the welfare of a child, please call:

01522782111

## Let's take a look at our learning this week ...

Topaz Class have enjoyed reading the story Danylion which teaches us that we are all unique, then we made Lions – look at our display. We also enjoyed our “sound hunt” as part of science.



Emerald Class enjoyed taking part in Rainbow Day, creating cave art with wild berries and sticks and using the laptops in IT to create a word document.



Amethyst Class enjoyed dressing in lots of colours for Rainbow day, using the xylophones in music to play along to a tune and learning about Queen Victoria in History



Please look on our school website for more photographs and information about your child's class. Links to your child's Twitter pages can also be accessed via the links below:

<https://www.welbournprimary.co.uk/Topaz.asp>

<https://www.welbournprimary.co.uk/Emerald.asp>





## Lincoln Community Lottery

**PLEASE SUPPORT US!**



Please purchase tickets for £1.00 on our Welbourn page. All proceeds go towards resources and experiences for our children. You can have the chance to win up to £25,000 so please follow the link and find our cause <https://www.lincolnlottery.co.uk/>

### Attendance

Your child is expected to have at least **98.41%** attendance and should aim for 100% unless they have to isolate. We will not authorise any holidays during term time, please help us to keep the attendance above 97%.

### Pick up and drop off times

Please note that children in all classes are to be dropped off **between 8.45 and 9.00am** and collected at **3.15pm if your child is in Topaz and Emerald Class and between 3.15 – 3.30pm** if your child is in Amethyst Class. Please ensure that you keep 2m distance at all times and use the allocated gates and entrances.

### School Council News!



We are delighted to announce our new School Council members:

Chair – Jaydyn Smith      Vice Chair – Elena Smith

Topaz Class members – Freddie Francis, George Cooper, Willow Gordon

Emerald Class members – Max Millls, Seth Miles

Amethyst Class members - Martha Watford, Wren Johnson, Sophie Smith

They are consulting their classes about how they would like to fundraise and improve our school.



### Special news!

We are delighted to announce that Miss Hope is expecting a baby!

This is very exciting news – congratulations to Miss Hope and her fiancé.



### Governor News

We are excited to announce that we have appointed 3 new governors on our Governing body.

A Local Authority Governor: Mrs Tory Hunt

Two parent governors: Mr Matthew Cooper and Mrs Rhia McCarthy.

We now have a full complement of Governors on our board.