



## Welbourn Church of England Primary School

*'Believe, Excite, Succeed, Together'*

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2020**



Dear Parents and Carers,

What a busy week we have had! This week has been 'Art Week' so we have been learning weaving and sewing skills in preparation for an outdoor art project for our school fence. The children have also enjoyed doing outside 'forest school' activities linked to these techniques. Over the next few weeks, our children will continue to work with Mr Clarke to create large scale woven items to decorate our school. Thank you once again to the Friends of School for funding our art week.

As you may have seen, we have had to make the difficult decision to stop after school provision for now. We understand that this may make things difficult for parents but this decision was not taken lightly – we have to consider staffing, Covid safety measures and pupil numbers. Staff have had to be redeployed to cleaning and numbers were too low to be able to employ someone new. We will review these changes in preparation for Term 2 and have already booked some paid clubs, which will begin soon.

As you may have heard, a number of schools in Lincolnshire have had to close 'bubbles' or year groups due to Covid cases. Thank you for your support in following our protocols and ensuring that you monitor your child's symptoms. Please remember that if your child has a minor cold, they are still able to come into school. We want our children in school as much as possible so that we can continue to work on well-being, routines and learning. However, if your child develops a new persistent cough and/or temperature and/or loss of taste or smell, you must keep them at home and contact us as soon as possible by phoning the school office.

If your child is absent due to being ill or isolating, all work will be allocated via Microsoft Teams. Also a selection of videos, games and tasks can be accessed via the class pages. If you are still not able to log in or have lost login details, please contact the school office.

We are extremely proud of our children for adapting to our new changes in school. We are excited to launch our new topics next week and learn new skills and knowledge. There will be a curriculum overview sent out to parents next week. Stay safe and take care!

Kind regards

Mrs T Boulter

### Dates for your diary

18.9.20 11+ Verbal test

21.9.20 School Council Election week

25.9.20 11+ Non Verbal test

1.10.20 Black History month

2.10.20 Rainbow Day – dress in rainbow colours

2.10.20 Parent Forum 4.30pm via Teams

(Feedback from parents and updates)

06.10.20 Flu vaccinations

14.10.20 Parents evening

15.10.20 Parents evening (information to follow on how to book appointments)

22.10.20 End of term

23.10.20 Staff inset

2.11.20 Term begins

### 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

### P.E

Don't forget that your child must come to school in their P.E kit on Mondays and Wednesdays. Please ensure that they have trainers on and not plimsolls as they will do P.E outside whenever possible.

Our school P.E kit is a white or blue t –shirt

Navy or black shorts/tracksuit bottoms or leggings

Please ensure that your child also has a warm coat and water bottle.

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

Topaz Class have enjoyed learning phonics with Fred the frog, taking part in forest school activities and weaving.



Emerald Class enjoyed learning maths outside, doing forest school activities and creating weaving master pieces.



Amethyst Class enjoyed learning jumping techniques in PE, creating weaving dream catchers and forest school activities.



### Lincoln Community Lottery

Please purchase tickets for £1.00 on our Welbourn page. All proceeds go towards resources and experiences. 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 97% attendance and should aim for 100%, 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 9.00 and collected between 3.15 and 3.30. Please ensure that you keep 2m distance at all times and use the allocated gates and entrances.

### Food in school

From September, due to allergies in school, the following foods will not be allowed to be brought into school:

- Nuts, nut bars, chocolate with nuts
- Bread/bread rolls with sesame seeds
- Kiwi fruit
- Hummus
- Boiled eggs, egg sandwiches

Please note that any children who are in receipt of Free School Meals and who are in Years Reception to Year 2 can also receive a free packed lunch. You need to order these with Good Lookin Cookin in advance. We will review whether we can safely serve hot school lunches in preparation for Term 2.

### Governors

The Governing body met for the first time this academic year via Zoom. New roles were elected and meetings have been set on a monthly basis to enable us to review Covid changes.

Sabrina Smith was elected as Chair and Neil Benton as Vice chair. We have vacancies for a parent governor so please email our school office if you are interested in making a difference to the lives of our children and becoming a parent governor.

