

23rd February 2018

NEWSLETTER

"Children at Welbourn are impeccably behaved and keen to learn" Ofsted March 2017

When the Ofsted Inspector made the above remark he completely encapsulated this school. Without a doubt this school has the best behaved and keenest learners I have ever come across. Many other schools have similar children but this school is unique in my experience because the children are so consistently polite, articulate, engaged in their lessons and an absolute delight to be with. It is clear that parents send their children to school ready to learn and offer the kind of support that other schools can only dream of. Sadly, however, over recent past years and for a variety of reasons all this advantage has not consistently translated into the best possible attainment and progress for all children in all classes. Whilst the current team are working hard to address past shortcomings of the school we are still on an improvement journey. It would be lovely to confidently state that attainment and progress for every child is back to where it should be I feel that it is important to remember that instant fixes and cosmetic makeovers rarely bring deep and lasting improvements. Thanks to Mr Eden and Mr Nicholson's leadership and the hard work of the team to date the school has made a good start on the improvement journey but none of us would want to rest on our laurels. We all want Welbourn C of E Primary to once again be getting top marks for all measures. We want to be the best of the best. We can be the best of the best. We will be the best of the best with clear evidence that:

- we put our children at the centre of all we do,
- we truly believe they can all achieve,
- they all make the exceptional progress that equips them to thrive at secondary school and beyond.

I look forward to meeting you all in the very near future.

Mrs Anna Molony

Headteacher Award

Charlie from Amethyst for his descriptive writing – please see his writing on the last page of this newsletter.

Friends of Welbourn School

Friends of School are holding a Film night in school tonight from 6.00pm to 7.30pm - £3.00 entrance which includes popcorn and a drink. There are still spaces and you can pay on the door.

This year Friends of School are very kindly raising money to improve the outdoor area starting with EYFS.

Play Leaders

Moonstone are now our trained Play Leaders – they will be wearing blue caps at lunchtime and they have a rota in place for organising games for the younger children.

Important dates for your diary:-

Parent Celebration Assemblies

Friday 2 nd March	3.00pm	Reception/KS1
Friday 9 th March	3.00pm	KS2
Friday 16 th March	3.00pm	Reception/KS1
Friday 23 rd March	3.00pm	KS2

Thursday 1 st March	“World Book Day” – children can come dressed as their favourite book character
Monday 12 th March	“Science Day” in school
Friday 23 rd March	Sports Relief Day
Friday 23 rd March	Friends of School Easter Egg Hunt
Wednesday 28 th March	Easter Service at St Chad’s church – 2.30pm
Wednesday 28 th March	Children break up for Easter holiday

Advance warning our School Council will be deciding on how the school can get involved in the Open Gardens afternoon in June.

Wednesday 21st February 2018.

WALT: Describe my character using similes

Barnard is a majestic creature and lives in a damp gloomy cave. His scales are like the sunset and hotter than the sun. His dragons wings are as wide as a river is long. When he flies over the forest he casts a shadow that is as big as the primary state building. His claws as long as a knife and were sharper than a piece. On his head a crown lay which was darker than the night. The tail of this dragon was like a snake but much longer. He had eyes that sparkled like a star and seemed to burn like fire.

→ Fantastic work.
Read teachers sticker awarded.