

WILBURY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter



NOVEMBER 2017

Children at the heart of all we do!

This Newsletter can be accessed on our School website:

www.wilburyprimaryschool.org.uk

Dear Parent/Carer,



PARENTS' EVENINGS: Thank you to everyone who attended our recent parents' evenings – if you did not have a chance to speak to your child's teacher the best time to make an appointment would be one afternoon after school. Thank you also to everyone who visited the Book Fair – we raised almost £1,250- 60% of which will be donated to our library by way of books.

REMEMBRANCE DAY: Poppies will be on sale in the playground, around the school and in the office from Monday 6th November - please encourage your child to donate at least 20p each. Last year we raised nearly £800 for the Royal British Legion appeal.



BLACK HISTORY MONTH: Thank you to everyone who attended our assembly last month – I am sure the children have told you of all the activities they were able to participate in as part of the celebrations. Please have a look at our website – under school life – past events to see some of the activities which took place.

HEALTH & SAFETY:

- **BREAKFAST CLUB:** Please be aware that Breakfast Club opens at 8.00 a.m. – Please do not leave children outside before 8.00 a.m. as they should not be left to wait alone.
- **CAR PARK GATES** – Please remember that the staff car park in Wilbury Way is NOT to be used for access to the school at any time. All parents and children should use the correct gates for their year group. If you are dropping your child early - for Breakfast Club - please use the gates at the main office entrance and walk through to the dining hall area. Please also remind children not to play in the car park while they are waiting to go into breakfast club.
- **NUT ALLERGIES:** We have several children across the school who have an allergic reaction to nuts - whether eating them or even having them close by. Please remember not to add any nut products – including Nutella spreads – into your child's packed lunch box to make sure no-one is affected.

SCHOOL ADMISSIONS 2018: If you have a child who is due for admission to Nursery or Reception in September 2018, you need to apply by 13th January 2018. Application forms are available now on-line (www.eadmissions.org.uk)

If your child is currently in our Nursery you must reapply for a Reception place for next year as transition is not automatic. If your child is currently in our Terrific Twos, you will need to apply for Nursery for September. Mrs Hassan will be holding a workshop for online admissions on **Friday 10th November at 9.00 a.m.** in the Parents Room.

EARLY YEARS OPEN DAYS: We will be holding open days for Terrifics Twos, 3-year-old Nursery, Nursery and Reception on the following dates:

- Thursday 16th November – from 1.30 – 3.00 p.m.
- Tuesday 11th January – from 9.30 – 11.00 a.m.

Come along and bring your child to see the facilities on offer, meet the staff and join in the activities. **ALL WELCOME!**

PHOTOGRAPHS: The photographer will be in school on **Friday 3rd November** to take family or individual photos. Order packs will be sent out as soon as they are received and the final orders will be back in time for Christmas.



FRIENDS OF WILBURY: Christmas Fair – Thursday 7th December from 3.15 pm
Please save the date now. **HELP NEEDED:** please see Mrs Hassan or Mrs Johnston.

COMMUNITY:

- **CITIZENS' ADVICE:** CAB will continue at Wilbury on the first Monday of each month. Please see Mrs Hassan for an appointment for **6th November**.
- **Fitness for Women** – new course started in school – leaflets are available from the office.
- **ESOL** Starts on Wednesday 1st November, 1 - 3 pm. To register please bring a passport and national insurance number.
- **Planet Play** (Chicken Shed) continues in the EY hall, Wednesdays, from 9.15 - 10.00 am.
- **EARLY YEARS 2018** - application workshop on Friday 10th November, 9.00 - 10.00 am, in the Parents' Room for Nursery and Reception for next September.
- Advisors from **PAARS** (Parent Abuse And Reconciliation Service) will be in for a coffee stop on Friday 17th November, 9.00 - 11.00, in the Parents' room.

FLU NASAL SPRAY: The nasal spray will be applied to all children who have returned signed permission slips on **Thursday 30th November**. This is for pupils in Reception classes and Years 1 – 4 only. We do not require parents to attend – staff will bring the children over to the hall for the trained nurses to apply the spray. If you have not yet returned your permission slip please do as soon as possible.

DESIGN A FESTIVE CARD: Please make sure your child's entry is received back in school by **Friday, 17th November**, for judging the following week. The winning entry will be announced on the website – www.wilburyprimaryschool.org.uk by 24th November.



SCHOOL UNIFORM: Our suppliers MAPAC are offering various discounts as part of their Black Friday and January sales offers but you need to register for the information. Please visit www.mapac.com, login and register for the information to be sent to you.

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITY CLUBS: If your child attends one of our after school clubs, please make sure someone is here to collect them at the end of the club each time at **4.30 p.m.** If you are late by a few minutes please phone the school office to advise them. If you are late more than once your child's place in the club may be at risk.



PANTOMIME: Jack & The Beanstalk: If your child has been invited to the show in December at the Millfield Theatre, please ensure you book a place and pay via parentpay by this Friday, 3rd November. The online booking facility will close after this date as we need to confirm seats with the theatre.

Parking in Wilbury Way/Weir Hall Road: In consideration of our neighbours, please do not park your car across any driveways in Wilbury Way or Weir Hall Road, whether the car is on the driveway or not. Local residents have complained and they can request the car be towed away by the local Council, who will issue a fine for the vehicle's release.



K. Turnpenney (Mrs)
Headteacher

DATES FOR YOUR NOVEMBER DIARY:



NOVEMBER		
Wednesday	1 st	Fluoride applications (session 1)
Friday	3 rd	School photographer – families and individuals
Tuesday	7 th	9.00 am Lower Hall – Yr 6 SATS Parents Information Meeting Year 3: Return of the Romans workshops
Wednesday	8 th	2.00 p.m.: Year 5 - HAMLET – Millfield Theatre
Thursday	9 th	9.00 a.m. Foundation Stage Hall – Information for Parents meeting – Reading in Reception Year 5 Just Enough UK workshops.
Friday	10 th	9.00 am Nursery & Reception 2018 – Admissions Workshop - Parents Room. Year 4 visit to cinema: N22 – The Smurfs
Tuesday	14 th	Year 6 cinema visit N.22. 'Nutty Job'
Wednesday	15 th	Year 5 cinema visit N.22. 'Despicable Me' Classes 3J & 3M at St Albans Year 6 Just Enough UK workshops.
Thursday	16 th	1.30 p.m. Early Years Open Day Year 6 at 'The Wizz' Winchmore School (4.30 pm return)
Friday	17 th	Classes 3G & 3H at St Albans Year 6 group at Business Brokerage workshops
Thursday	30 th	Flu immunization applications: Rec & Years 1-4

Additional dates will be added as events are organized

SCHOOL CLOSURES:

Monday 16th April 2018 – Staff Training Day

Thursday 3rd May 2018 – Polling Day

Friday 4th May – Staff Training

The last day of the Autumn Term is **Thursday, 21st December, 2017** when we close at **2.00 p.m.**