

# **WILBURY PRIMARY SCHOOL**

## **Newsletter**



**APRIL 2023**

*Children at the heart of all we do!*

**This Newsletter can be accessed on our School website:**

**[www.wilburyprimaryschool.org.uk](http://www.wilburyprimaryschool.org.uk)**

Dear Parent/Carer

Welcome back to the summer term – we hope you all had a good break and the children are returning ready and eager to learn. Hopefully the weather will be good and we can provide lots of opportunities for the children to learn outdoors to support their academic, personal, social and emotional development.

**KEEPING OUR CHILDREN SAFE: ROAD SAFETY & Parking in Wilbury Way/Weir Hall Road:** Please remember that road safety is the responsibility of everyone and we must ensure all our children are safe at all times. Please remember to park sensibly outside our school for the safety of all our children and **DO NOT** stop on the mini roundabout to drop off your child as this is extremely dangerous. In consideration of our neighbours, please do not park across their driveways whether the car is there or not. If they have a dropped kerb you could be fined up to £250 if traffic wardens are in attendance and it is towed. **Please keep well away from the bus stop area as this is very dangerous for children boarding or leaving the buses.**



**COMIC RELIEF/RED NOSE DAY:** Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March – thank you to everyone who donated to Comic Relief – we raised **£445** which has now been sent on to them.

**REMINDERS: SCHOOL CLOSURE DATES:** Please remember we will be **CLOSED** on:

- Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May – Mayday bank holiday
- Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May – Kings Coronation Celebration Day
- Half term – Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May – Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> June
- Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June – INSET DAY – School closed

**ADVANCE NOTICE:** This term we are planning to hold a lockdown rehearsal with all classes – this is a just in case it is ever needed for example in the event of a gas leak or chemical spill on or outside of the premises. All children will take part and be asked to stay in doors/outdoors for the length of the lockdown (20mins) so please explain this to them so they are not alarmed. We will advise you when it has taken place. We have installed loud outdoor alarm sirens in our three playgrounds, which you may have heard being tested recently.

**PROPERTY IN SCHOOL:** Please be aware that we cannot accept any responsibility for children's property left on school premises. If your child leaves a bike or a scooter in the racks in school you must provide a secure lock for it. Some have gone missing lately which is very upsetting for the children. If possible please add their name in permanent ink underneath the seat.

**TAX FREE CHILD CARE:** Most parents are eligible for at least some tax free childcare for nurseries and after school care – please open this link to access advise and information: <https://www.gov.uk/tax-free-childcare>

**CURRICULUM STATEMENTS:** Statements will be emailed to you later this week outlining the subjects your child will be studying this term.

**CORONATION PICNIC:** We will be holding a picnic for the children to celebrate the King's coronation on the afternoon of **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May**.



## **Friends of Wilbury – Fundraising**

### **Wilbury Community**

**School Uniform:** If your child has outgrown their uniform and it is still in good condition please donate this via the school office so that it can be 'rehomed'.

**Felix Project** - food deliveries are every Tuesday. **If you would like to receive some items, please contact the school office.** PLEASE BE AWARE - The Felix Project collects fresh, nutritious food from suppliers that cannot be sold. Please visit <https://thefelixproject.org/about/our-story> for more information

**SCHOOL UNIFORM:** If you are considering buying summer dresses for school please remember these should be blue and are available from supermarkets or online from Mapac.com and once ordered will be delivered directly to the school. They also supply school cardigans. All other uniform is available to order via our website and once paid for can be collected from the office the following day.

**LATYMER SCHOOL OPEN EVENING:** Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April from 3.00 – 7.00 p.m. for current Year 5 pupils – for entry in September 2024 – please access Latymer's website for all their admission details.

### **ASHMOLE SCHOOL: Musical Aptitude Test 2023 for September 2024 entry:**

Full details of the process are outlined on the school website with access to an on-line application form - [Ashmole Academy/Musical Aptitude Test 2023](#) and the deadline to submit an 'on time' application is **Friday 26th May at 3.30pm.**

**TERRIFIC TWOS – paid places:** We are able to offer places in TWOS at £20 per session for parents who are not eligible for funding. This would be for five 3-hour sessions per week, mornings or afternoons during term time.

### **REMINDERS:**

- **BULGARIAN SURGERY:** Our Bulgarian family support worker will be available in the office each Thursday from 2.30 pm to assist any parents with any queries – no appointments needed.
- **PHONES IN SCHOOL: Years 3 – 6** - Please remember that children are no longer permitted to bring smart phones into school. Please ensure any device you buy your child is not a smart phone.
- **WATER BOTTLES:** Please remember to send your child to school with a **plastic water** bottle showing their name and not the metal variety.
- **NUT ALLEGIES:** We are a healthy eating school and several of our children have severe nut allergies. Please **DO NOT** send any child into school with nut products (peanut butter, nutella etc) or chocolates or biscuits and cakes containing nuts in the lunch boxes. Even the smell of these products can cause an allergic reaction to another child sitting nearby.
- **ATTENDANCE:** We would like all parents to know that our target for school attendance remains at **96%**. Please report your child's absence from school before **9.30am** by telephoning 020 88075335 (**Select Option 1 for Attendance**) and advise us of the reason for your child's absence.

**L. Wise (Mrs)**  
**Headteacher**

## DATES FOR YOUR APRIL DIARY:



| <b>APRIL:</b>   |                  |  |
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| Monday  | 17 <sup>th</sup> | School reopens<br>Year 5 – 'Twelfth Night' workshops     |
| Wednesday   | 19 <sup>th</sup> | League football matches x 3 Latymer School.              |
| Friday  | 21 <sup>st</sup> | Easter Science Project – closing date for entries        |
| Tuesday   | 25 <sup>th</sup> | Classes 4BE & 4G commence swimming tuition               |
| <b>MAY:</b>   |                  |  |
| Monday  | 1 <sup>st</sup>  | Bank holiday – School CLOSED                             |
| Thursday  | 4 <sup>th</sup>  | 3.15 pm Easter Science Project Exhibition: Upper Hall    |
| Friday  | 5 <sup>th</sup>  | King's Coronation Celebration picnic – school field (pm) |
| <b>HALF TERM: 29<sup>th</sup> May – 2<sup>nd</sup> June</b> |                  |  |

**SCHOOL STREETS:** Please be aware that our school is part of the scheme - this means you cannot drive through Weir Hall Road between **08.30 – 9.15 am and 2.45 – 3.30 p.m.**). The area covered is between Wilbury Way/Lansbury Avenue. **Our address is also included in the ULEZ extended charging zone.**

### BREAKFAST & AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS:

Please register your child at the school if you would like to attend either club at any time. Please be aware that we cannot accept children in the clubs as emergency child care. Each child must be registered with all your contact details and given a regular place. This is for health and safety as well as insurance reasons. We need to be fully staffed for the group in the club. All places must be paid for in advance via parentpay.

The last day of the Spring Term is **Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March** when we close at **2.00 p.m.** **School reopens on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April.**

### School Closure Dates: 2022/2023:

#### INSET DAYS: (Staff training)

- Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September
- Friday 2nd September
- Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October
- Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2023
- **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023**

#### Bank Holidays:

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2023**

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2023 (additional date – King's coronation celebration)**