



# Wellington Primary School and Nursery

"Working Together to Succeed"

Value of the Month  
Co-operation

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome back! What a busy start to the academic year it has been. The school is a hive of activity and it has been brilliant to see all the pupils looking so smart and in their new classrooms. I would also like to take this opportunity to welcome all our new pupils across the school. It seems like they have always been with us. We have a busy half-term ahead of us, so please keep a look out on our noticeboards, ParentMail and our new Facebook page for more information!

This academic year, the pupils are being taught differently for science and humanities. Upper KS2 (Year 5/6) are taught by Mrs Blower. Lower KS2 (Year 3/4) Miss Corbin and KS1 and Reception, Mrs Keeble. This is to ensure we have a clear progression from Nursery through to Year 6. It also ensures the development of key skills and concepts are built upon and embedded.

Warm regards,  
Mrs Keeble

## Dates for the diary:

- ⇒ Open Day - 27th Sept
  - ⇒ Bikeability - Wednesday 5th Oct
  - ⇒ Owls class assembly - Wednesday 10th Oct
  - ⇒ Parents Evening - Wednesday 19th Oct
  - ⇒ Harvest Festival - Friday 21st Oct 2p.m
- End of term:  
Friday 21st October  
**Half term**  
**Monday 24th - Friday 28th Oct.**

## Thursday 6th October

School photos with siblings.  
Siblings welcome to come in from 9:00 til 9:30 a.m.

## Dogs Trust

Following our visit from Dogs Trust, there is a lot of information on the Dogs Trust website which you can use to talk with your children about being Dog Smart.



## Afterschool Club

**Monday—Cookery Club**  
**Tuesday—Gymnastics**  
**Wednesday—Drama Club**  
**Thursday—Film Club**  
**Friday—Multi-skills**

\*Please book in advance if you would like your child to attend after-school club.  
\*Please complete the cookery club form to enable your child to participate.

Please follow, like and share our new Facebook page:

Wellington Primary School and Nursery  
<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100086383628294>

## Reminders:

- ◇ Please ensure all items of clothing are labelled.
- ◇ Please check ParentMail, Facebook, children's bags and the website for up to date information, letters and notices.
- ◇ Nursery starts at 9am and finishes at 3pm. If you require an earlier start or a later pick up, please book your child into Breakfast Club or After School Club.
- ◇ Please do not park outside the front of the school building. Please use the car park behind the school.





## OWLS

It was lovely to see the children all safely back to school, keen to share their wonderful stories and adventures from their summer holidays.

In English, we have been looking at Balanced Arguments, using the question, 'Is Screen Use Making Children Lazy' as I am sure you can imagine this has caused quite a debate. Within their writing we have been working on time adverbials, colons to introduce lists and contrasting conjunctions. I am really looking forward to reading their finished piece of work connected to this subject and how they balance their argument.

In maths, we have been recapping on previous learning including Roman numerals and place value, taking both to the next level. When we write the date in our books this term we are also writing it in Roman numerals. Try and spot when Roman numerals are used around the home, for examples clocks and on the television.

Our humanities topic is based on the question 'Will we ever see the water we drink again?' This has resulted in some really interesting discussions amongst the class. Part of this is looking at the water cycle and we have set up our own mini water cycle experiments to see how this process works. We are planning a trip to Elan Valley after half term to enrich the learning in this topic.

### Reminders

Please remember PE kits need to be left in school until October half term.

Reading books will be changed Tuesday and Thursday, please read at least 4 times a week at home; as they will be entered into a prize draw. Spelling tests will take place on a Friday; please encourage your child to practise their spellings through-out the week.

Please support your child in accessing TTRockstars to practise their times tables at least twice a week, this is especially important to year 4 children as in the summer term they will have their times tables assessments.

We are also running interventions in school to support them with this.

It is starting to get colder so please ensure that your child has a jumper or cardigan in school.



## RED SQUIRRELS

We are very pleased how well the Red Squirrels have settled into their new classroom this year. You may have noticed the children's art work of themselves in the windows. In English we have been reading and writing and had fun with some storytelling and drama too using the book 'The Owl who was Afraid of the Dark'.

In maths, we are looking at Place Value using concrete, pictorial and abstract to build a solid number foundation.

Y2's question is, 'Would I like to live in the town or the countryside?' in geography and in science looking at animals including humans.

Year 3 and 4 will be looking at the question, 'Why do we need to protect the rainforest?' in geography and in science exploring how sound is made.

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Reading books changed Tuesday and Friday, please read 4x a week at home; as they will be entered into a prize draw.

Spelling tests will take place on a Friday please encourage your child to practise them through-out the week.

Please support your child in accessing TTRockstars to practise their timetables twice a week.

Every fortnight reading comprehension will be sent out for homework due in the following Friday.



## RABBITS

It's been lovely to see how the new year one children have come back into Rabbits. The new Reception children have joined us beautifully and have come into school so well with lots of smiley faces.

In English, we have been looking at lists, labels and captions. In maths, year one are looking at Place Value to 10 and Reception are looking at getting to know me with matching and sorting activities.

In geography, the question we will be looking at is, 'Would I like to live in the town or the countryside?' and in science, we will be looking at animals including humans.

In PE with Mr Edmonds, the children are developing their gymnastic skills and in the PE lesson with Mrs Ferreira will be dance.

The children have amazed Mrs Keeble and Mrs Ferreira with getting themselves dressed into their PE kits in a record breaking 5 minutes!! Well done Rabbits.

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Reading books are changed on a Tuesday and Friday for year ones and daily for Reception.

The year ones will have their spelling quiz on a Friday, please encourage your child to practise them throughout the week.

Reception children will have an activity sent home on a Friday in their homework book.

Please send your child to school every day with their book bag and reading books.



## HEDGEHOGS

Welcome back! It has been wonderful welcoming old and new faces to our Hedgehog classroom. Clare and I have enjoyed getting to know everyone and building new relationships.

We have a busy half term with lots of new and exciting learning opportunities Our topics are outlined below:

- ◇ Marvellous Me
- ◇ Autumn
- ◇ Woodland Wonders
- ◇ The Gruffalo
- ◇ We're going on a Bear Hunt
- ◇ Harvest

Our first term is all about establishing new friendships, learning and exploring our surroundings. This is encouraged through the use of familiar stories and observing the changing environment around us.

We have a new nursery bear called 'The Everywhere Bear'. He gets to go home with each of our children and spend the week getting to know them and their family. The adventures are then shared in nursery for all our friends to see.



# Forest School

Forest school sessions begin w/c 26.09.22.  
You will receive a letter stating the date your child will take part.

Thursday 29th - Nursery/Reception

Thursday 6th - Y1/Y2

Thursday 13th - Y3/Y4

Thursday 20th - Y5/Y6

How amazing does our Forest School area look?



## Healthy Snacks

**Can we ensure all children are bringing in healthy choices for snack time.**

**No crisps or chocolate please.**



## School Production

Our wonderful end of Summer term production raised a fantastic **£250.80**. The money raised will be put towards our production for next year and new books.



## Disco

At our disco last term we raised an amazing **£131.55** and have used the money to buy the school a new speaker and microphone.

## School Fete

Our School fete raised a wonderful **£365.35!** Thank you to all the staff and the older children for helping to set up and run the stands for our school fete.

The money raised will be discussed through our school parliament and the children will decide what we do with the money.



## Hot School Dinners

If you would like your children to have hot school dinners, please book online.