



WELLOW HOUSE SCHOOL

Weekly Newsletter

1st February 2019



ECO-WARRIORS!



This week, we have been busy thinking about our roles as 'Eco Warriors'. Our Monday assembly afforded us our usual opportunity to 'set our stall out' and decide what activities we would be able to complete as a school, in order to help the environment and planet! Given the enthusiastic responses from our children, our discussions clearly helped to increase our awareness about sustainability and encourage everyone to get better at recycling and save energy. We are already planning a 'beach clean-up' operation during the summer term. Excitedly, we are planning our own allotments for next term, which will hopefully return our own food and produce. Below are some of the key issues we plan to be better at:

Saving energy

- Turning off lights, computers and other electrical equipment when they are not being used.

Recycling

- Thinking before we put anything in the bin.
- Using the right bins for our recycling.

Saving water

- Turning off the taps when we are not using them.

Healthy living

- Eating balanced meals.
- Ensure we are active every day.
- Enjoy being outside.

The creatures around us

- We encourage wildlife into our school.

Our impact on the world

- We understand what we can do to protect the environment

Extra to this fantastic initiative (which is cascading through the school), we have sent (and received) sports team for fixtures home and away. All who participate always enjoy these fantastic sporting opportunities arranged with meticulous precision by Mrs Nichols, our fabulous Head of Games. We have also enjoyed fantastic musical performances in each assembly from both Joshua and Esther.



Harriet Harper is a pianist in the making. Lovely work on middle C and the major scale.



Happy Birthday!



Above: Happy Birthday to Eric 8, Arlo 6, Archie 8 and Mason 5 who celebrated their birthdays this week.



Esther has only been with us 4 weeks and she is already playing the clarinet in assembly!!







Look what Elsie did!!

She cut off her hair and donated it to the Little Princess Trust who make wigs for children with cancer. She is also raising money for Mrs Parker.

Please see her Mummy if you would like to donate.

Well done Elsie, we are proud of you and you look fab!!!



Coffee Morning

As requested a coffee morning is being held on Friday 1st March. We are all usually so busy, this is a great chance to catch up.

See you in reception after drop off!

We appreciate that not everybody can make these mornings but we are committed to organising some evening events during the course of the year.

Any suggestions welcome!!



*Keep your eyes peeled for news on this year's ski trip.
Information to follow...*

SPORT FIXTURES

Netball

The under 9 girls took part in a netball tournament at Witham Hall on Wednesday afternoon. We played 4 teams in the first stage where we won 3 matches and drew one. At this point Wellow were announced the winners of the teams in this heat and were now through to the semi-final. With a further 2 matches, we lost one 6-2 and drew in the final match. We narrowly missed 3rd place, as it was neck and neck and therefore decided by number of goals scored, but we were delighted to come 4th overall out of 10 teams. It was a pleasure to watch the girls playing as a strong team with some skilful passing and close marking, not to mention lots of winning goals. Such progress in just 4 weeks!

- Mrs Doney and Mrs Forster



U13 Netball Vs Old Vicarage School

The U13 Netball team had a very tough fixture this week. The first quarter was promising and closely matched ending in 5-4 to OVS. For the rest of the game OVS put on a very slick display of skill, pace and accurate shooting. Coupled with some tired passes and movement around the court by Wellow, we did not take advantage of our chances and were simply outplayed by a much stronger squad of players. Player of the match: Esme A as Goal Defence, for her relentless effort and jumping to intercept the ball.

U9 - Witham



This week the u9 football squads travelled to Witham Hall for a tournament that saw them take part in no less than 10 competitive matches, mostly back to back and in bitterly cold conditions. All the players acquitted themselves superbly and rose to the challenge, producing some fine performances and excellent wins. The two captains, Cole Parker and Tom Woodley both led by example, never taking a backward step against some strong opposition and ensuring their teams maintained shape and discipline. Well played everyone.

Once again thank you to the travelling support on the sidelines, hope you enjoyed your afternoon of sport too.

-Mr Taylor.





U13 GOALSCORERS

Zach and Alex both scored in a pleasing second half comeback against a strong Old Vicarage School in our first football match of the season, although we ultimately lost 5-2. There was plenty of promise, though, and the boys defended doggedly and created a number of chances.

- Mr O'Kane

Under 10/11 Netball Vs SPSP & Lincoln Minster

The girls played a tough couple of matches against SPSP and Lincoln Minster on Wednesday afternoon. I was pleased by the way Violet got into space and how Elizabeth and Victoria moved the ball quickly around the court. Bryony's improvement was impressive and I was delighted to see some good marking and determination from the defenders, Elizabeth H and Anya, during the final match. All the girls tried hard to dodge and get into space although I would like to see the girls jumping higher to reach the ball when receiving a pass or marking.

- Ms V Beldon

GOOD LUCK To Isabella D (Year 4) who will be a member of the Newark & Sherwood District Cross Country team in the Year 5/6 race at the Nottinghamshire County Championships at Wollaton Park on Saturday.

Sports Fixtures for the Week Ahead

Monday 4th February

U9 A&B Football v Lincoln Minster (H) [2.00pm](#)

U9 Girls Netball v Lincoln Minster (H) [2.00pm](#)

Please be aware that all the children will be returning to academic lessons after the matches on Monday.

Wednesday 6th February

U11 Football v Orchard School (A) [2.15pm](#) DN22 0DJ

U9 A&B Football v St Hughs (H) [2.15pm](#)

U11 Netball v Orchard School (A) [2.15pm](#) DN22 0DJ

HOLIDAY SPORTS CAMP: 20TH - 21ST FEBRUARY

Please find attached details for the next sports camp during February Half Term. Pupils are very welcome to invite their siblings and friends who may not attend Wellow House School. Please note that we need a minimum number of applicants for the activities to go ahead, the deadline for the completed application is next Friday, 8th February.

BRITISH INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS SKI (BISS) RACING COMPETITION - MONDAY 29TH APRIL

We have a successful Ski team at Wellow House School and the next Indoor Skiing competition that we hope to enter is on Monday 29th April at Hemel Hempstead Snow Centre from 9:30am. There are opportunities for children who are eligible for U8, U10, U12 and U14 races. There are minimum level requirements of age and skiing ability for a child to enter, further information is available from Mrs Cooling (Year 5 parent) and Mrs Nichols (Head of Games & PE).

Wellow House are competing in an U9-U11 Swimming Gala in Grantham on the same day, so please inform Mrs Nichols of your child's interest for the Skiing competition ASAP and by **Friday 8th February**. As a note for the diary, we do also hope to enter further Ski Races in June 2019, dates for which we will advertise as soon as they are all known.

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With best wishes from the Pupils and staff at Wellow House School

