



WELLOW HOUSE SCHOOL

Weekly Newsletter

1st March 2019



Wonderful Wellow was our theme this week as I truly believe we are a hidden gem. Our children do and say the most 'wonderful' things, with this week being yet another fine example of this. Our assemblies have provided us all plentiful opportunity to think about what makes Wellow so wonderful. Using an acrostic technique, the children cleverly compiled some fantastic definitions, working together to display these on a collective display; these fabulous examples have been included in this edition for you to enjoy. Out on the sports field, we have quickly returned to our sporting commitments, which as usual are fully reported in our weekly news. In our celebration assembly today, I was delighted to see so many Top Dojo Scorers, certificate winners, medal winners and of course some very excited birthdays! It was particularly nice to congratulate Tom in Year 8, whose birthday was in fact today!

I would like to wish our piano players, Esme A, Zachary, Ben, Tom W, Ted and Henry luck as they venture to S.Anselms to take part in the annual piano competition. We look forward to reporting the day's events next week. This performance opportunity is a useful pre-cursor to music exams, which this year falls on Friday 22nd March.

Following the funeral of Mrs Janet Cook on Friday 22nd February at St. Swithin's Church, I would like to say what an honour it was for Wellow House School to join with members of Mr Cook's family, friends and past pupils and their parents to pay our respects to Mrs Cook. We would all like to send our love and thoughts to Mr Cook and his family at this difficult time.

Finally, well done to the year 8s who have all achieved their mock exams this week and for revising with such diligence throughout half term. Fitting in the 'Ragsdale Run' at the end of a long week just shows how determined and focussed you all are! Well done everyone.

Have a lovely weekend,

Miss Lamb.

Welcoming smiles

Oh my gosh, it's butterscotch tart

New beginnings, never giving up

Doing what we love

Effort brings joy & success

Rewarding reading and Ragsdale running

Fabulous teachers

Underwater swimmers like seals

Lovely children

Wet days shine bright in the Sports Hall

Encouragement for everyone

Laughs litter the landscape

Lovely fields filled with flowers & fun

Over there is Archery, or fencing. So many options...

Winning trophies, Winning at life!



Happy Birthday!



Reiley, Max, Anton and Tom



Our fabulous certificate winners



Look who we
found snuggled
up... must be
preparing for
World Book Day!!!



Please spread the word amongst family and friends – The BFG is coming to Wellow!!

It would great to see as many of our Prep children there as possible. We promise you a fun filled couple of hours.

Poetry

Year 7 took advantage of the wonderful weather this week to study the school grounds. This poem was the beautiful result.



Spring Time Beckons at Wellow

*Blossom ripples on the breezy trees,
Like a lake's reflection,
Or a starry night.
Spring's sprinkled icing sugar.*

*Lamp post daffodils stand proud,
Like spears sprouting up.
Lion maned daisies bunch
Like a pizza discarded in lush grass.*

*Above, a cloudless Man City sky
Carries a plane with a shooting star tail,
While midges bob about
Like dropped bouncy balls.*

*We feel the heat on the cheek
By the uncombed thatch of lifeless willow.
Coal tits shriek warnings above
As droppings lie in wait below.*

*A spring-cleaning mole
Pushing up choc muffins,
A volcano archipelago
Flattened by a careless boot.*

*Snowdrops lurk in drifts -
A final reminder of winter.*

*By Max Longmuir & George Haste
(Consultant - Mr O'Kane)*



Ragsdale Run

(Please see next week's newsletter for full update)





On your marks.....



How lovely to see the older children cheering on the younger children



Coffee Morning

It was really lovely to see some of our wonderful parents over coffee and a cake.

We all lead such busy lives, it is sometimes good to stop and take a minute to catch up with each other.

Keep your eye out for details of our next coffee morning – All very welcome!!

World Book Day, Thursday 7th March

Children are encouraged to dress up as a favourite book character for World Book Day in support of Book Aid International. Please bring £2 to help to allow reading for pleasure to reach those who don't always get the opportunity to enjoy it. There will be various events during the school day. With our Roald Dahl-themed Open Morning following soon afterwards on Saturday 16th March, there will be a special prize for the best Roald Dahl character costume.





Congratulations to the Botham brothers who both won Gold Medals in their Slalom ski races this half term

SPORT FIXTURES

Football

This week both the u9 football teams travelled to Burton Hathow for two fixtures. As we set off I could not help think we should be playing a different kind of sport as the weather was glorious, 17 degrees and full sunshine. Both teams were in high spirits during the short journey and Mr Woodhouse and I were looking forward to a relaxed afternoon of football. However, that soon evaporated as both teams were embroiled in tight, end-to-end matches that involved, close misses, miraculous saves by Tom and Ted, chances hitting the post, goal line clearances and scrambles involving every player. My pacing up and down the touchline became less and less leisurely and my encouragement soon turned to barking out orders to avoid defeat. Luckily, the players responded positively and drew the first match 0-0 and on reflection had the better of the chances and more possession. In the second game, the deadlock wasn't broken until midway through the second half when Eric finished off a great move to give us the lead, 1-0. Despite having our own chances later on we did have to hang on for the last few minutes but eventually came out the winners. Well done everyone and thank you to the parents once again for their support.

- Mr Taylor



Netball

Under 10/11 Netball Vs St Peter & St Paul School

The under 11 girls played away at St Peter & St Paul School on Wednesday afternoon.

All the girls played superbly and I was very pleased to watch the players getting into space and reading the game well. All the girls have improved their throwing and catching and are now moving the ball around the court with accuracy. I was delighted to see Elizabeth H mark a formidable shooter with determination. Elizabeth played an intelligent game which resulted in her being awarded a well-deserved 'Player of the Match'.

-Ms V BELDON

Upcoming Fixtures

Monday 4th March

U11 Netball v Burton Hathow (H) 2:00pm

Burton Hathow do not have enough players for a full U11 Netball team, so this will be a training/coaching match with all the girls combined to form two teams. The Wellow House players will return to academic lessons at 3:30pm.

Tuesday 5th March

U13 & U11 Cross Country @ Worksop College (A) S80 3AL

First race is at 2:30pm, return time to Wellow House is approx 5:15pm.

Final selection for the Wellow House squad will take place after the Ragsdale Run.

Wednesday 6th March

U13 Boys Hockey v Worksop College (A) 2:30pm S80 3AL

U9 A&B Football v Grantham Prep (A) 3:00pm NG31 7UF

U9 boys - return time back at Wellow House is approx 5:30pm

U13 Netball v Worksop College (A) 2:15pm S80 3AL

U11 Netball v St Hughs v Ranby House (H) 2:00pm

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NEW FIXTURE

Wednesday 13th March

U13 Netball v Lincoln Minster (H) 2:15pm

CAR LIFTS WITH OTHER PARENTS AFTER AWAY GAMES FIXTURES

If a child is to depart a venue with another parent after an Away Games fixture, please could this arrangement be agreed by the child's parent informing School by midday at the very latest. No children should be trying to make such arrangements after their match.

NOTICES

WATER BOTTLES

Please be politely reminded that children are only be permitted water in school. Bottles should be clear. Fizzy drinks and juice are not allowed in water bottles.

Thank you for your support.

YOGA

Please be aware that due to personal circumstances, the yoga teacher can no longer take lessons on a Thursday lunch time. Parents will not be charged for sessions that have already taken place and we are in talks with a new yoga teacher to start with us soon.

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

