



WELLOW HOUSE SCHOOL

Weekly Newsletter

7th June 2019



It's hard to believe that we are already at the end of the first week of this final term...time is literally flying past! That said, it is hardly surprising that time has in fact escaped us all here at Wellow House, as it's been Exam week and dedication and focus has been around every corner of every industrious classroom. With revision completed throughout the half term, children arrived back on Monday ready to release all their knowledge and keen to demonstrate what they have been learning in preceding terms. In advance of any results, I would like to lead on staff messages of 'congratulations' to everyone who has taken an exam this week; you are all simply excellent. Next week of course, is arguably the most important week, 'Corrections'. This very valuable time provides a fantastic opportunity for our children to reflect on their responses delivered during exams and discover if an alternative or possibly modified answer may have helped show knowledge any better. Children are always excited for corrections week, which shows them as the dedicated learners that they are. Focussed learners always look forward to reflecting on their efforts in the previous work and are always excited to discover how they have fared. It is important to say that every child who has taken an exam is simply fabulous for having the bravery to do so. It takes an organised person to be ready to take an exam so well done everyone.

The underlying theme during this exam week has been one of 'Welcome'. We have had record numbers of visitors, prospective parents and children calling on our tremendous school. This is in itself of course, wonderful and does much to confirm that our fabulous school is again becoming well known and very much talked about. Mrs Dolby would certainly confirm this, as the phone is ringing off the hook with enquires!! How exciting!

In terms of September's arrangements and further to forwarding you a letter bringing you up to date with staffing in the autumn term, I am delighted to be in a position to be able to confirm further plans. I have recruited two fantastic Early Years Teachers who have impressed in their visits to Wellow. It is vital that any candidate fully demonstrates the capability to be able to reflect and deliver our very high standards and nuances, akin to Wellow. With this in mind, I have recruited Ms Michelle Jackson as our new FS2 teacher and Ms Emily Jones for FS1. Michelle is a highly experienced practitioner having taught across both key stages and joins us from Ranby with 20 years of teaching experience. I am delighted Michelle is able to join our teaching team and we all look forward to welcoming her in September. Emily Jones is an American teacher having gained her degree from the Ivy League University. Her previous experience is quite simply vast and has seen her deliver teaching and learning across the globe. Emily was formally an FS1 teacher in an exclusive preschool in London and has a son Theo, who is 2 years old. The Wellow House Pre Prep department is undoubtedly the heartbeat of School and I am delighted that we have been able to make such substantial and excellent appointments; welcome both! We continue to interview for the position of Head of Music and I will be in a position to update you in due course with news, suffice to say we have had a number of high quality applicants.

The sporting diary this week has once again sprung into action, with children across all corners of our 20-acre sports field enjoying cricket, netball, rounders and resulting match teas!!! The ethos, which cascades the sports fields is key to Wellow and as ever is extremely well coordinated by our Head of Games, Mrs Nichols. Pinpoint organisation and advance planning ensures as a school, we are always well involved with matches and games across the prep school landscape. I know the year 8s are extremely excited about their forthcoming sport tour.

As we quickly approach the final weeks, please take time to familiarise yourselves with the school calendar as it would be lovely to see as many of you as possible at our various events.

For now, have a lovely weekend with your families.

Ms Lamb.



Happy Birthday!



Elijah 7, Coco 8, and Taylor 8



This week's fabulous certificate winners!



Eid



This week was the celebration of Eid. Elias told us all about how he and his family and what it means to them. He even recited a special prayer for us.

Thank you Elias!



Pre-prep trip to Sherwood
Pines.

Races *sword making*

PICNICS *Mini-bugs*

WALKING *ICE-CREAM*

Playing

Den Making

GREAT FUN!!









Today was “Grandparents Day” in Pre-Prep



They helped create, dig and read. They were preformed to afterwards and treated to tea and cakes.....



Upcoming Sports Fixtures

Wednesday 12th June

U12-U10 Cricket v St Hughs (A) 2:[00pm](#). LN10 6TQ*

U9 A&B Kwik Cricket v St Hughs (H) 2:[00pm](#).

U12-U10 Rounders v St Hughs (H) 2:[00pm](#).

U9 Girls Cricket Workshop @ St Hughs (A) 2:[00pm](#). LN10 6TQ*

* For the Away teams, we estimate a return time from St Hughs of approx 5:15-5:30pm.

Friday 14th June

Year 4 mixed Kwik Cricket Festival @ Stamford School (A) 10:[00am](#) - 2:30pm. PE9 1QG

We shall arrive back at Wellow House in good time for 5:00pm. Any parents wishing to spectate on the day will be able to collect their child after the Presentation.

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPORTS FIXTURES CALENDAR

Wednesday 19th June

U13 Cricket v Westbourne (A) 2:00pm Abbeydale, S17 3LJ (change of venue, as our senior cricket pitch will not be ready in time after the Ball).

U11 Cricket v Lincoln Minster 2:00pm (not U9 as published in one version of the School calendar)

U10/U9 Rounders v Highfields 1:45pm (earlier start time)

Newark & Sherwood Schools Quad Kids Competition @ Joseph Whitaker School 4-6pm. NG21 0AG (new fixture)

Wednesday 26th June

U13 Cricket v Worksop College (A) 2pm S80 3AL (new fixture to replace the match cancelled in May)

YEAR 4 MIXED KWIK CRICKET FESTIVAL - FRIDAY 14TH JUNE

We will be taking all the Year 4 boys and girls to the Kwik Cricket Festival, please refer to the letter sent to parents for more details.

WELLOW GAMES - FRIDAY 21ST JUNE 1:30-5:00pm

You are warmly invited to watch our annual Wellow Games (Prep School Sports Day), which is also the House Athletics competition. The children will make their way as one group to the lower field at 1:15pm, when we would truly appreciate parents, family and friends to be waiting to cheer the athletes as they arrive onto the field. We very much hope you can come along to support all the children, who never fail to put on a wonderful display for the track and field events. WHSPA will also be selling their ever popular refreshments during the afternoon.

HOLIDAY SPORTS CAMP 10TH - 11TH JULY

DAY 1 - SPORTS AND ACTIVITIES DAY

Date: Wednesday 10th July

Times: [9:30am - 3:30pm](#)

Fee: £30 per child

Mr Hucknall will be back in the hot seat and is looking forward to organising a programme of various sports, fitness and fun activities.

DAY 2 - ATHLETICS WORKSHOP

Date: Thursday 11th July

Times: [9:30am - 12:00pm](#)

Fee: £15 per child

Peter Fendley from Worksop Harriers Athletics Club will be coaching several Athletics events. With the introduction of Quad Kids competitions at Wellow House this year, we hope more children will be interested in coming along to develop their athletics techniques and further improve their all-around ability.

Please email Mrs Nichols by Friday 28th June if your child is interested in signing up for one or both days. Email: lorraine.nichols@wellowhouseschool.co.uk

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

