



WELLOW HOUSE SCHOOL

Weekly Newsletter

11th October 2019



GIVING

Giving is a very important part of our everyday lives here at Wellow and we have heard a great deal about it this week.

On Tuesday we were thrilled with the amount and variety of lovely contributions for our Harvest Festival, at which the children sang and read beautifully. The Emmaus Trust will be as grateful as ever (Wellow House has supported this charity at Harvest Time for many years now). It is a credit to you parents and children that so much time was taken to provide for others less fortunate than ourselves.

On Monday, we received a visitor from the Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child, which is a wonderful organisation that asks us to spend a little time, thought and money on creating a shoebox of items to be transformed into a Christmas parcel for a child in a war-torn or poverty-stricken part of the world. For many, it may be the first gift they have ever received. We ask that as many people as possible take the time to make this difference through giving to show that Wellow House's generosity can spread far and wide, as well as helping the local community.

As we gear up to Christmas after half-term, WHSPA will give their time towards preparing for a Christmas Fair, as they have given up their time this week to create a wonderful Friday morning breakfast treat – *time* can be as valuable a gift as any. I know they would love to hear from anyone who feels they might be able to offer some and share the load.

On Thursday, the Prep assembly included a film about a man waiting in an airport café, who thought that a stranger opposite him was taking his cookies without asking and he proceeded to get rather angry inside as the stranger smiled at him and then, unbelievably, offered him one of his own cookies! It was only when he had left that the man found his own packet, unopened, beneath his newspaper.

Learning from the stranger's kindness and tolerance, the man tried to find him to apologise and then, when he couldn't, he decided to give his own cookies to someone else in the café and spread the kindness and giving that way.

I know that many of the adults reading this will already look forward more to the delighted face of a recipient of their carefully chosen present on Christmas morning than they will look forward to opening their own. Many of the children are also beginning to understand the joy in giving and making someone else's face light up.

Mr O'Kane, Assistant Head



Happy Birthday!



Elsie, 7





Taylor, Henry and Ted went to cheer on Mr Hucknall in his Rugby match at the weekend. Mr Hucknall was delighted and the boys got some top tips!! It's great when we can support each other.



What a busy week the children have had in Foundation Stage.

After their outstanding singing in the Harvest Festival, the children went on to enjoy a packed itinerary during their visit to the National Trust property of Belton House, which is situated in the picturesque Lincolnshire countryside.

The children were met by their guides and enjoyed a tour of the historic house, dressing up as servants and using artefacts in the kitchen quarters as part of their first workshop.

After lunch, the second workshop was based around the Julia Donaldson's story of The Stickman. The children were then asked to build animal homes and their very own stick man in outdoor learning session. The National Trust Guides complimented the Wellow House staff on the children's excellent behaviour during our visit which made us all very proud.

At the end of our very busy week, the children in Foundation Stage are participating in their first water confidence session of this academic year.

- Mrs Jackson and Mrs Jones



**Thank you for your amazing donations we raised £118.50
for Emmaus Trust.**



This week Year 2
enjoyed a lesson
with Year 7.
They were shown
by the older
children, how to
use 'Times Table
Rock Stars' and
'My Maths'

Sport

GAMES FIXTURES RESULTS

U12/U11 MIXED HOCKEY

The U12/U11 mixed team had their first hockey fixture against Ranby House this week. After a hesitant start to the game, there was strong communication between players and they gelled well as a team. We had more attacks into the opposing circle but simply could get the power on the shots, which made the difference. Wellow House had the majority of play in the second half and were very unlucky to not claw back at least one goal in this period. It was a very enjoyable game for both the players and spectators, there were very positive comments by parents watching on the sideline and the team's effort could not be faulted up to the final whistle. - Mr O'Kane

Final score: 0-2

Player of the Match: Violet S

U10 HOCKEY

The U10 girls worked extremely hard throughout a tough fixture against Ranby House, who had a mixed U11/U10 team. Our girls were under pressure during the first half and the defence battled fervently to clear the ball numerous times from the circle, but were outplayed by some hard, accurate strikes at goal. During the second half the distribution of play was more evenly balanced and we had more attacking opportunities, but no further goals were scored by either side. The girls continue to show great determination and more practise on quick decision making skills will pave the way for strength in our performance for future matches. - Mrs Nichols

Final score: 0-3

Player of the Match: Marigold S



Upcoming Fixtures

Monday 14th October

U9A&B Rugby v Notts High (H) [2:00pm](#)

U9 Hockey v Notts High (H) 2:00pm

Wednesday 16th October

U10 Rugby v St Peter & St Paul (A) [2:15pm](#) S41 0EF

U9A&B Rugby v St Hughs (H) [2:15pm](#)

U10 Hockey v St Peter & St Paul (H) [2:15pm](#)

U12/U11 mixed Hockey v St Hughs (A) [2:15pm](#) LN10 6TQ

U9 Hockey v St Hughs (A) [2:00pm](#) LN10 6TQ

For both teams playing away at St Hughs, the estimated return time to Wellow House is 5:15 - 5:30pm

HOLIDAY SPORTS CAMP ACTIVITIES

Wellow House School holiday sports camp activities are organised for children of Prep School age. Pupils are very welcome to also invite and book places for their siblings and friends. The final opportunity to book your child for any of the October Half Term activities listed below is [Tuesday 15th October](#). Please email Mrs Nichols ASAP and further details will be forwarded to parents. Email: lorraine.nichols@wellowhouseschool.co.uk

Hiking and Map Reading Skills

[Monday 21st October](#)

[9:30am-4:00pm](#)

£30

Ms Beldon and Mrs Nichols are planning a hike with an introduction to map reading. Your child would need to provide warm clothing and a packed lunch. We need a minimum of 8 children for this activity to go ahead, please email Mrs Nichols if your child wishes to book a place.

Athletics Workshop

Wednesday 23rd October

9:30am-12:00pm

£15

Peter Fendley is an Athletics coach with over 30 years experience and has coached athletes to national level. He assists with the Wellow House athletics programme during the Summer term and also kindly runs an Athletics Workshop during school holidays. We have several pupils who have shown great promise during recent Quad Kids competitions and we hope to continue building on this success through these additional training sessions. We also hope children new to athletics may come along to have a go, as there is a wide range of skills required for different athletics events.



WHSPA - FIREWORK PARTY

All Welcome

Friday 8th November 2019

5pm - 6.30pm

To book tickets visit www.whspa.org.uk
Or contact a WHSPA team member

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

