



WELLOW HOUSE SCHOOL

Weekly Newsletter

28th February 2020



'What Did You Do In School Today?'

It's a question that most parents probably ask on most days, with some children giving an enthusiastic minute-by-minute description of their activities and others replying, 'Nothing much.' This year, we have decided to let the children share a little bit more about their day-to-day learning with you through special assemblies, which have been given by Pre Prep pupils before, but it is a new venture in the Prep School.

This Thursday, the children of Years 5, 6 and 7 told our visiting parents about their maths alphabet (Y5), their study of elements and compounds (Y6) and their study of nature poetry and its links to a historical 14th century novel (Y7). They also enjoyed rapping **The Fresh Prince of Well-Air**. I thought you might enjoy reading it...and perhaps trying it with the backing when no one's looking – it's easily found on Youtube!

The Fresh Princes of Well-Air

Now this is a story all about how
our lives got flipped, turned upside down;
and I'd like to take a minute - just sit right there:
we'll tell you all about the pupils in the school called Well-air.

In East Nottinghamshire born and raised,
on the playground is where we spend part of our days;
chillin' out, maxin', relaxin' all cool
and all shootin' footballs or swimming in the pool;
when we get in the classroom, our work is all good
so there ain't no trouble in this neighbourhood.
I don't get in no fights and so no one's scared
and we never think of leaving a place like Well-Air...

I beg and plead with mum day after day,
but I always have to do my prep - don't get my way!
She give me a kiss and then I greet all my friends,
almost wanna stay here when the long day ends.
Now I'm sitting in first class - yo this is class,
drinkin' Friday juice from a Bistro glass -
is this what the people of Well-Air live like?
Hmmm - this might be all right!
I head to the Science Lab and when I get near,
I see explosions that might even blow off mee heer!*

If anything I could say that this school cares.
It makes us all feel special, like a prince of Well-Air!
We stroll up to the form for the morning starter
and we yell to our mums, 'Hey this'll make us smarter'...
*Look at our desks & we're finally there -
to sit on our thrones as the prince of Well-Air.*

***N. Notts pronunciation works well!**

- Mr O'Kane, Assistant Head

World Book Day

We look forward to seeing the children celebrating all things literary on Thursday of next week (5th March). Let's make it as impressive as in recent years!





Happy Birthday!



Max 11
and
Ada 5!!



This week's certificate winners



Congratulations to our super skiers Ted, Arlo and Henry...



...And to Archie for his impressive cross-country achievements!



Years 3 & 4 had a great day out at Eureka Children's Museum. They especially enjoyed learning about the journey of a banana sandwich, from Chew to Poo!!





Book your place now. £150 deposit required by Friday 13th March

News

Breakfast Club - Please note that children requiring breakfast, need to be in the dining room by 8.20am

There is no coding club this week.

Sport

Under 11 Football at Barlborough

Our Under 11 team travelled to Barlborough on an afternoon of sleet, howling winds and occasional sunshine. They handled the conditions impressively as they took on two B teams (one from the hosts and the other from Westbourne). Because we are a small school, we often find it difficult to find the right standard of team to play against, as we are often stronger than B teams but can't match the depth of A teams from bigger schools. As a result, we took the whole squad and a couple of younger boys to allow us to roll substitutes on and off to try to ensure close, worthwhile games for all teams involved.

This led to a cracking couple of games, with our boys beating Westbourne 2-0, with a goal from Cole and a calmly taken penalty from Eric; then we had a very exciting 2-2 draw against Barlborough, with both goals from Taylor. Ted deputised ably for the injured Mikey in goal, while Joe showed some deft touches and passing, Josh made some powerful clearances and Henry made an impressive debut; Hugo got us out of trouble on a number of occasions with terrier-like defending; and Oscar showed off his deadly new weapon, the long skidding throw-in. Well done, everyone.



Enjoying a well-earned tea when the sun finally came out to dry our kit!

Mr O'Kane

U11 NETBALL

We played two closely fought matches against Barlborough Hall on Wednesday. The format of the fixture was arranged for our girls to play strong opponents of similar ability, which encouraged them to work on accurate passing, strong defending skills and confident communication. The weather was an additional test and the girls were not disheartened by the elements of strong winds and sleet for a short period of play. The girls kept their heads high and worked hard up to the final whistle in each game. Very well done girls!

Match 1 lost 1-0

Match 2 lost 5-3

HOUSE NETBALL

The girls enjoyed very competitive rounds of Netball matches on Monday, with the older girls in each House team leading and supporting their younger players with confidence. Our U9 girls really got stuck in and demonstrated how much they have improved their netball skills since January. Congratulations to the Normans, who won all their matches. The other 3 placings were very tight and had to rely on Mrs Nichols calculating the final goal difference.

UPCOMING SPORTS FIXTURES

Wednesday 4th March

U11 Football v St Peter St Paul (H) [2.15pm](#)

U11 Netball v St Peter St Paul (H) [2.15pm](#)

Friday 6th March

U11 Netball v Orchard School (A) [2.00pm](#) DN22 0DJ

This fixture is still to be confirmed by Orchard School. All players will be returning to Wellow House for academic lessons at 3.35pm.

With best wishes from the staff at Wellow

