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Willow Fields Primary School

Monday 4th November 2019

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Dear parents and carers,

It has been a very busy time at school since the summer holidays with lots of fun things happening. Many of these events have been recorded on Facebook for you all to see and they are also on the school website which is updated each week. School now provides more information than ever and more regularly to and for this reason, we are only going to send a newsletter home once or twice a term in order to keep our use of paper to a minimum and to save the trees! If you have difficulty accessing the internet, please let a member of staff know and they will show you what has been happening in school!



One exciting event to happen last term was the unveiling of the plans for our new school. These plans are now in the consultation stage and are developing quickly. I have put copies of the plans around school for you to see and I will update them each time I receive a new format. It is a very exciting time for the children and staff and we can't wait to move into the new building.

The children have also enjoyed sessions provided by the Police as part of their Operation Encompass—The Next Steps project. These sessions were delivered to the children to teach them about safe, respectful relationships so that they recognise what is and isn't a positive relationship. These sessions will continue through the year so that all year groups listen to the messages to be delivered and all children know how to keep themselves safe.

As you know from the previous newsletter—reading is the biggest focus in school at the minute and I am grateful to all you parents who listen to the children reading every night as this is so important for all areas of learning. We are therefore delighted to announce that we have been given grant funding from Sir Tom Cowie Foundation and with this money we will be able to buy some new furniture and restock the entire library with new books that we hope you will come and share with the children. The foundation have also been very kind in donating some winter coats to school so if children need to borrow a warm winter coat to play out in—school has plenty. We are very grateful to the foundation for their support.

The children were also treated to a pantomime in school—Beauty and the Beast. They absolutely loved it and there are many pictures of them singing along to the songs. This is only possible because of your generosity at our Christmas Fayres and other events through the year—so I thank you! Every penny raised in school is spent on the children.

Quick reminder from staff—please make sure that your child has their reading folder and reading record in school **every day** so staff can listen to the children read and make a comment in their reading record so you can see how well they are doing. It would be brilliant if you could sign their record when they have read to you too!



Staff also ask that all children have their PE kits in school every day too as these are needed for all PE lessons. (red or white PE top, black shorts and trainers) PE kits can remain in school and will be sent home each half term to be washed. It is really important for children to have PE kits so that they can attend competitions and practice their PE skills each week!

Dates for Your Diary



12th November 2019—Anti-bullying day Children to wear odd socks!

12th November 2019—Parents evening

14th November 2019- Parents evening

15th November 2019—Children in Need Day Children to wear pyjamas!

18th November 2019—Year 5 visit to the Centre for Life

25th November 2019- school photograph day

10th December 2019—Christmas Dinner day Children can wear Christmas jumpers

11th December 2019—Choirs to sing at local care homes

12th December 2019—Whitehouse Farm Santa trip

13th December 2019—Christmas Jumper day

13th December 2019—Christmas Fayre 1.30pm

16th December 2019—Autumn term reports to come home

17th December 2019—Book Bus in school

17th December 2019—Nursery and Reception performance 1.30pm

18th December 2019—School Christmas movie night

19th December 2019—KS1 Christmas performance 1.30pm

20th December 2019—Christmas songs 1.30pm

20th December 2019—Break up for holidays

TUESDAY 7th January 2020—Children return to school



I am sure that there will be more to add as we work through this term and we will get those dates to you as soon as we get them.