



Newsletter

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A very big welcome back to a new term, albeit a very short term. Already the children have been busy in class with their learning and there is a lovely buzz around the school. This is supported by the fact that we always celebrate so much fantastic learning and conscientious behaviour in our Friday celebration assembly.

Some very exciting news is that our school library is well on the way to being ready for opening. Can I take this opportunity to thank Jane Caston for her tremendous efforts in cataloguing our entire library online. Jane has dedicated so much of her own time recently to help get the library up and running and I am extremely grateful. I would also like to thank our parent volunteers for their hard work in organising the library. There has been a lot of stickering done and it is going to be a really wonderful resource for our community. Please check out the Wiltshire Times today as we do feature quite prominently in an article!

I would like to say a thank you to you all for responding so positively and not parking your cars in and around our school car park. The access and parking does seem to be better in and around Boswell Road and I am confident that our children remain safe at all times, which is, of course, our primary concern.

You will notice that we have, once again, sent out dates for the term, which we hope you find useful. A couple of dates to note are the Maths evening meeting on 20th May and the ICT in the community meeting on 14th May. Both are an open invitation for you, as parents and carers to come along and to find out about how we teach maths in school and an exciting new project that we are about to embark on within the community. We would be very pleased to see you at either.

This leads me nicely onto my next point, which is that with the fantastic support, once again, of the FoWS, we have been able to update our wireless network in school. This now provides whole school consistent network and internet coverage and will have a major impact on the teaching and learning taking place every day. More on that again soon, but it is very exciting!

One last point to make is that the school council will be selling hot chocolate and biscuits in the meadow after school today. They have decided to raise funds for Water Aid and all proceeds will be forwarded to this worthwhile cause. Please support them if you can.

Can I wish you a very enjoyable bank holiday weekend and I hope you have a restful time with your families.

Ian Rockey

DATES FOR TERM FIVE

Friday 2 nd May	School Council's Hot Choc & Cookie Sale
Monday 5 th May	Bank Holiday
Friday 9 th May	Sponsored Skip Day
Mon 12 th -Fri 16 th	KS2 SATs Week
Wed 14 th May	ICT in the Community Meeting - 6pm
Monday 19 th May	Sports Day
Tuesday 20 th Ma	Sports Day (if wet on 19 th May)
Tuesday 20 th May	Maths Parents Evening - 6pm
Wed 21 st -Fri 23 rd	Circus Skills
Friday 23 rd May	Tea & cake with the Head
Friday 23 rd May	TERM ENDS
Saturday 24 th May	Westwood Nursery's 30 th Anniversary
Sat-24 th -Sun 1 st June	Westwood's Scarecrow Trail
Monday 2 nd June	Teacher Training Day – School Closed
Tuesday 3 rd June	BACK TO SCHOOL

TEACHER TRAINING DAY

Don't forget that Monday 2nd June is a TTD, so the school will be closed. The new term will start on Tuesday 3rd June

LOST PROPERTY

We seem to have accrued a number of school jumpers and fleeces in the school office. If your child is missing either and you think you can identify it, please come and have a look. Could we take this opportunity to remind you all to label your child's uniform so that clothing items can easily be returned to their right owner.

SCHOOL MEALS

School meals continue to be popular, with numbers increasing each week. Could we please ask that if you are ordering meals for more than one child you use one order form per child. As always, please make sure that your orders are in by 9:00am Thursday morning for meals the following week.

Many thanks.

BIRTHDAYS OF THE WEEK



Happy Birthday to these children who have celebrated a birthday over the past two weeks.



SCHOOL LIBRARY HELPERS

You may have seen the article in the Wiltshire Times this week about our school library scheme. The school office has already received several calls from members of the public offering to donate books to what they refer to as 'an excellent and innovative scheme.'

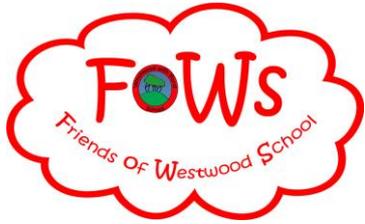
A large number of books have also been purchased using funds raised by FoWS last year and we are fortunate to have a rising number of books to fill the library shelves.

Jane Caston and Jill Ross have dedicated an enormous amount of time over the past few weeks to cataloguing and sorting each book. If you have some time to spare, please come into school on **Wednesday 7th May** and give them a helping hand with some of the sorting. Tea and biscuits will be on offer!

GUITAR AND KEYBOARD

The Hazell family have a child size electric guitar (as played by Harry at the Talent Show!) with a strap, stand and small amp, plus a Yamaha electric keyboard, with a stand and instructions, which are no longer used. They have very generously offered any proceeds from the instruments to FoWS for the school.

If you are interested in either of these items, please contact the school office.



FRIENDS OF WESTWOOD SCHOOL UPDATE

Our second Boden sale took place last Saturday and it was a very successful day with over £2,000 of merchandise being sold and £171 raised from the raffle and cake sale. The final figure for our commission will be given in the coming weeks.

Many thanks to those who helped set everything up and run things on the day, all our lovely cake makers and of course those who came in and bought some new clothes! Special thanks to Debbie Augusztinyi for co-ordinating the whole event and liaising with Boden.

Our next big event is of course the ever popular Westwood's Got Talent – The Return. Letters should be out now, so if your child has an act they would like to share, please fill out the entry form and return to the school office by Friday 9th May.

Don't forget the WGT Poster competition, the winner gets to have their poster used to promote the talent show. Entries also need to be back into school by Friday 9th May.

The 100 Club monthly draws have been made for April and May. April's winner is J Batt and May's winner is K Smallforest, both winning £25.

The next draw will be made during the May half term holiday for the midterm bonus of £50. Good luck to you all.

Your FoWS Team

WESTWOOD CHURCH FÊTE



Our annual village church fête will be taking place on Saturday 19th July. If you have any items for the White Elephant stall, DVDs, CDs, toys, bric a brac, tombola or gift stall, please save them for this event.

If you have nothing to donate but your time on the day, or if you have any enquiries, please call Julie Adcock on 01225 862568



GROWN UP (SOCIAL) FOOTBALL – PLAYERS WANTED

For the last four years, there have been weekly games of social football over the summer on the council football pitch in Westwood Park. It is usually a 6 or 7 a side kick-around on a Thursday evening, from around 7.15pm until the light fades. The games restarted on Thursday 1st May, and we are always happy to welcome new players. There is no charge.

We don't mind if you are male or female, parent or not, skilled or unskilled, fit or unfit, the only requirement is that you don't take your football too seriously.

Just turn up on the night, or contact Ed Harrison (07804 648710) if you want more detail.