

# West Winch Primary School

# NEWSLETTER

November 2018



## World War One Commemorations

We will be opening our special World War One remembrance area in school on Friday morning, just in advance of the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Armistice Day – 11<sup>th</sup> November 1918 to 11<sup>th</sup> November 2018. We have been incredibly lucky to have been supported by a superb local company while preparing our remembrance area. An enormous thank you goes from us all to **Farr Formes** on the North Lynn Industrial Estate, who have made us a full size World War One 'Tommy' silhouette (who we have named Henry), a large wooden cross, a special World War One 'Tommy' wall plaque and every child will also receive a small wooden cross – which they will decorate in school. Children can then choose to bring their cross home, or place it in our remembrance area on the morning of Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November. We would like to invite parents to go through to the Key Stage 1 playground and have a look at the area on the afternoon of Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November – or at any time after that date.



We would also like to say thank you to Mrs Ford (William's mum, Year 5) who organised the individual pupil crosses and also organised all of the wonderful items produced for us by Farr Formes (Chris and Andy Farr). Our remembrance area is going to be a very special place and it is only through the support of Mrs Ford and Farr Formes that our remembrance area will look so effective. A special thank you from all of us – at this very poignant and important time in our history.

## First Admissions – September 2019

If you have a child born between **1<sup>st</sup> September 2014** and **31<sup>st</sup> August 2015** you will need to register your preference for the school you wish your child to attend from September 2019. Parents are encouraged to apply online at [www.admissionsonline.norfolk.gov.uk](http://www.admissionsonline.norfolk.gov.uk) and all online applications will be acknowledged by email. Further information is available at [www.norfolk.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.norfolk.gov.uk/admissions) or by phoning 0344 8008020. Paper application forms can also be obtained by telephoning the same number. Parents must apply by Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2019. Late applications will not be considered until all on-time applications have been allocated.

## Winter Weather Conditions

We will aim to stay open during all weather conditions throughout the winter months – unless the safety of our children and staff is at risk. If weather conditions deteriorate significantly, please check if our school is closed by listening to KLFM on 96.7 FM or BBC Radio Norfolk on 104.4 FM. You can also visit [www.schoolclosures.norfolk.gov.uk](http://www.schoolclosures.norfolk.gov.uk), our school website at [www.westwinchprimary.co.uk](http://www.westwinchprimary.co.uk) and our Twitter feed [@wwprimary](https://twitter.com/wwprimary) – which will both be updated (during extreme weather conditions) to show if school is open or closed (from 7.30 a.m.).



## Parent Support Adviser

Helen Spencer is our PSA and is available to support all families on a friendly and informal basis. Please look out for Helen in the playground or make an appointment with her for a confidential, friendly and informal chat by contacting her on **07957127797**.



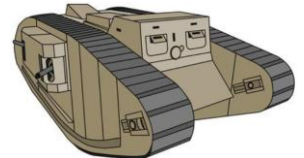
## Christmas Pantomime – Sleeping Beauty

We have organised to take the children to see the pantomime 'Sleeping Beauty' at the King's Lynn Corn Exchange on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December at 2.00 p.m. As it is an afternoon performance, we will not be expected to arrive back at school until 5.15 p.m. The cost of the trip will be £15.00 per child. Payment should be made by Monday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2018 as we need to pay on this date. Payments can be made via My Child at School. **The contribution is voluntary but should we not receive sufficient money, the trip will have to be cancelled as school cannot subsidise the loss.** However, we are looking for sponsorship to financially support this special Christmas treat for all children. So if you are able to offer us any form of sponsorship towards the cost of our trip to the pantomime this year, please get in touch with the main school office. Thank you.



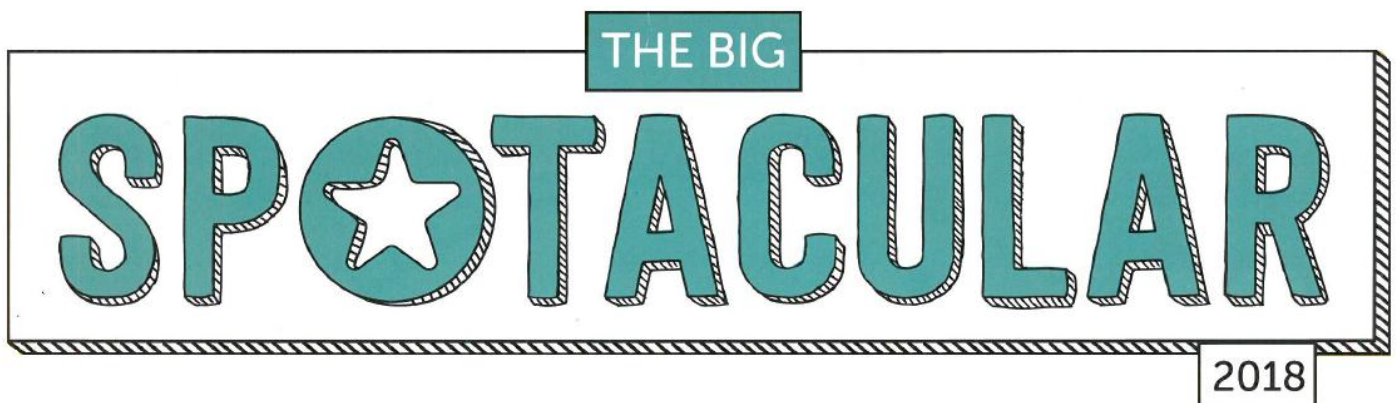
## Special School Lunches

Our next special school lunch is a special 'World War One' lunch on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November. The menu is Chicken or Vegetable (V) Cobbler, Mashed Potato, Sliced Carrots and Gravy, followed by Jam Roly Poly Pudding and Custard. Please don't forget that this meal is **FREE** for children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2.



## Scholastic Book Fair

We are pleased to welcome the Scholastic Book Fair back into school on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> and Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November. The Book Fair will be stocked with a great range of books, including many special offers, and will be open after school each day between 3.15 p.m. and 3.45 p.m. Please help us to sell lots of books and earn commission, we can then select a wide range of books to add to those already in our school library.



Our School Council is currently organising a fun day of 'SPOTACULAR' activities for Children in Need 2018 on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November. For a £1.00 donation, all children are invited to 'SPOTTIFY' themselves as much as possible – and come into school with lots of dots and spots, using face paint, sticky shapes and spotty clothing. There will be great prizes for the children that come into school looking absolutely amazing on the day!

With best wishes,

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# ANNUAL DIARY DATES



**Please note: As these dates are given well in advance, they may be subject to change.**

## November

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> – Year 3 Swimming starts  
Monday 5<sup>th</sup> – Y3 and Y5 Consultations  
Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> – YR and Y6 Consultations  
Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> Y1 and Y2 Consultations  
Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> – Y4 Consultations  
Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> – Individual Pupil Photographs  
Friday 16<sup>th</sup> – Children In Need

## December

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> – YR & KS1 Nativity (10.00 am & 2.00 pm)  
Friday 7<sup>th</sup> – HSL Christmas Fair at 3.15 pm  
Monday 10<sup>th</sup> – Sleeping Beauty Pantomime Trip (pm)  
Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> – KS2 Christmas Songs at 3.15 pm  
Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> – School Christmas Lunch  
Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> – Nasal Flu Immunisation (YR to Y5)  
Monday 17<sup>th</sup> – HSL Christmas Discos  
Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December – School closes

## January

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> – School opens after Christmas  
Friday 4<sup>th</sup> – Year 5 Swimming starts

## February

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> – School closes for half term  
Monday 25<sup>th</sup> – School opens after half term

## March

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> – Year 6 Swimming starts  
Monday 4<sup>th</sup> – Y3 and Y5 Consultations  
Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> – YR and Y6 Consultations  
Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> Y1 Consultations  
Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> – Y4 Consultations  
Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> – World Book Day  
Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> – Science Day

## April

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> – School closes for Easter  
Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> – School opens after Easter

## May

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> to Friday 17<sup>th</sup> – SATs Assessments  
Monday 20<sup>th</sup> – Class photographs  
Friday 24<sup>th</sup> – School closes for half term

## June

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> – School opens after half term  
Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> New Reception Parents Meeting  
Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> to Friday 28<sup>th</sup> – Year 6 to KLA  
Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> – Open Day (9.30 am to 3.00 pm)

## July

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> – Sports Day  
Friday 5<sup>th</sup> – Reserve Sports Day  
Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> to Friday 12<sup>th</sup> – Y6 at Kingswood  
Friday 19<sup>th</sup> – Annual Reports sent home  
Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> – Y6 Leavers Assembly at 9.10 am  
Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> – School closes for the summer

**Current class vacancies: Reception - 0 places, Year 1 - 0 places, Year 2 - 0 places, Year 3 - 6 places, Year 4 - 2 places, Year 5 - 9 places, Year 6 - 0 places. Please contact the main office for more information on pupil place availability.**





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**MATTERS**  
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### Attendance Update – November 2018

We have once again set the target of **97%** for whole school attendance for the academic year 2018 to 2019. We would ask all parents to support us in our continued drive to reach our attendance target by ensuring their child maintains a high level of attendance and please don't take holidays in term time! We will continue to authorise absence in 'exceptional circumstances.'



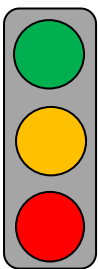
Don't forget that you can track your child's current attendance percentage via 'My Child at School'.

The attendance totals for each class from **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> September (Monday 10<sup>th</sup> for Reception Class) to Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November** were:

	Year R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	School
Attendance	94.86%	95.58%	96.56%	97.45%	96.38%	96.77%	97.23%	<b>96.39%</b>

### Termly Attendance Traffic Lights

Your child's attendance traffic lights for the end of the autumn term will be sent home after the Christmas holidays. As a reminder these are the attendance percentages that result in each attendance colour being awarded:



**GREEN – This indicates attendance from 97% to 100%.**

**AMBER – This indicates attendance from 90% to 96%.**

**RED – This indicates attendance at 89% and below.**

### Community Information – Junior & Senior Badminton

Junior & Senior Badminton sessions are available at The William Burt Centre, at just £2.00 per session. All equipment and coaching is provided by a 2<sup>nd</sup> Level Coach. Please contact Janis Baker on 07796921218.





# School Council Wicked Wednesday!

