

WASPS Newsletter 2 – Term 1 – Autumn 2019

Dear Parent

Harvest Day – Friday, 20th September 2019

We would be very grateful to receive donations of tinned, packet and fresh food for our **Harvest Day on Friday 20th September**. You are warmly invited to come into school at 3.00pm on that day, to visit your child's class stall outside their classroom, where they will be hoping to make as much profit as possible. It will be a lovely opportunity for your child to share with you the work they have done this year related to Harvest. Some of the food donated will be handed to a local food bank to support local families in need, and the fresh produce will be sold in support of a charity of the classes' choice. Please see the following list of foods most needed for the foodbank: Fruit Juice (long life), Chocolate, Sponge Puddings, Tinned Fruit, Instant Mash, Pasta Sauce (jars), Jam, Tinned Meat, Tinned Rice Pudding, Soup, Tinned Tomatoes, Tinned Custard, Coffee (medium size jars), Teabags, Biscuits, Tinned Vegetables (e.g. sweetcorn, potatoes, peas & carrots), Baked Beans.

Thank you in anticipation of your support.

Additions/Amendments to the Clubs List

- **Bath City FC Link.** This year we are pleased to announce that we will be working alongside Bath City FC and participating in a number of initiatives running throughout the year. The first of these will be an after school football club run by Bath City FC. This will be open to pupils **within year 4 only**. More details to follow.
- **Morning Choir with Mr Bowers.** We are delighted that this term our main school choir will be run by Mr Bowers, Assistant Director of Music at Bath Abbey and Director of the Bath Abbey Schools' Singing Programme. The choir will run on Wednesdays in the Main Hall from **8.30am to 9.30am**. It is open to any pupils in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6. As always, there is an expectation that if pupils sign up to be in this choir, they will attend every rehearsal (barring absence from school due to illness) and make themselves available for performances in school or other venues when requested. Depending upon the eventual size of the choir, for some performances, there may be a selection process. Please encourage your child to take part if they are interested and keen.
- **Orchestra Club.** We are delighted to let you know that Mr Hare will be continuing to run orchestra this year, after school on Wednesdays until 4.15pm. However, this year we need to ask you to support this activity with a donation. We would very much appreciate a donation in the region of £1 per child per week as a minimum. It has become necessary to ask for donations, as Mr Hare is no longer on the staff of WASPS. Please speak to Miss Ward if you need to discuss this. We hope you will understand and feel you can enable your child to continue playing an important part in the school orchestra. Thank you as always for your support.

Education Evening & WASPS PST Reports Presentation – Thursday 26th September from 6.00 – 7.30pm

Each year we like to meet together in the Main School Hall with wine and nibbles and a catch up on the year with reports from our PST (Parents and Staff Together) Team.

After the PST open meeting, the Education Evening will take place in classrooms when you will also be able to meet your child's class teacher and the Year Group Team Leader and learn about your child's curriculum in their new year group.

Individual School Photographs – Monday, 23rd September 2019

Please note that the school photographer is coming to take individual photographs of WASPS pupils on Monday 23rd September 2019. Please ensure that children come to school neatly dressed in WASPS uniform and that no jewellery, coloured ribbons or bows are worn. If it is a 'Muddy Monday' for your child, please send your child to school in WASPS uniform with a change of clothes in a bag for 'Muddy Monday'.

Family photographs will take place on Monday 30th September 2019, further details to follow shortly.

Music Lessons

Many of our music lessons in school have now started. However, we greatly appreciate your patience as we finalise arrangements with the new music specialist teachers.

- If your child was receiving keyboard lessons with Mr Hawes last year and is expecting lessons with the new provider FunkyPunk, FunkyPunk will contact you to discuss the lessons soon. They are aiming to start lessons the week beginning 23rd September.
- If your child has applied for lessons on a different instrument with FunkyPunk, they will contact you and aim to start lessons the week beginning 23rd September.

- If your child was receiving singing lessons with Mrs Brice, the new singing teacher, Mrs King, will make contact with you soon and begin lessons the week beginning 16th September.
- If your child was receiving piano lessons with Mrs Brice, the new piano teacher, Mrs Lawson, will make contact and begin lessons the week beginning 16th September.

I hope that is all clear. Many thanks for your understanding and patience.

Miss Ward, Co-ordinator of specialist music lessons

School Uniform

Can I reassure parents who have purchased the WASPS hooded fleece from the on-line Tesco supplier that it is ok for their child to wear the WASPS hooded fleece for the time being. Tesco have been contacted and asked to replace the WASPS hooded fleece with a zip up non-hooded fleece.

Open Sessions for Prospective Parents to WASPS

If you know of anyone who has a child due to start school in September 2020 then please invite them to come along and visit Weston All Saints CE Primary School to meet the Senior Leadership Team and members of the teaching staff between 10am and 11am on one of the following dates:

Thursday 12th September, Wednesday 25th September, Tuesday 8th October, Wednesday 23rd October, Wednesday 6th November, Wednesday 4th December

After School Clubs

The letter giving details of After School Clubs on offer for Terms 1 & 2 has been sent home via every child from Year 1 to Year 6. Please make sure that you return the club request form to your child's class teacher by Thursday 12th September 2019. The After School Clubs will run from Monday 16th September until Friday 29th November 2019.

Aldi Kit for Schools – Get Set to Eat Fresh

From Friday, 6th September, if anyone spends £30 in any Aldi store and receives a special Team GB athlete sticker, please send it to school so that we can add it to our large poster. Our poster features Team GB heroes and Olympic legends plus 150 healthy challenges to inspire the pupils to “eat fresh”, discover new healthy foods and get active. If we manage to complete a poster with all 300 stickers we will receive a school sports kit and also be entered into a prize draw to win one of twenty £20,000 cash prizes!

REQUIRED IMMEDIATELY for WASPS

WASPS require a temporary cleaner for two hours per day, two days a week, £9.55 per hour term time only from 3.30pm to 5.30pm or 4.00pm to 6.00pm. Please register your interest by contacting the School Office on 01225 421786 to leave your details. Thank you.

Yours sincerely
Dr Anne Bull
Headteacher

WASPS PST (Parents and Staff Together) News

Hello and welcome back! We hope you had a wonderful summer and are slowly readjusting to the school routine.

We are the PST (Parents and Staff Together) and we have been established in order to help organise different events throughout the year and fundraise for the school. Last year we held a number of fantastic events: Cake Sales, our Christmas and Summer Fairs as well as our first Ceilidh! We are hoping to have an even better year this year and would love it if you would like to be involved. Our events rely on parental support so it would be wonderful to see as many of you as possible at the Education Evening on Thursday, 26th September from 6pm to 7.30pm.

Our PST meetings take place regularly throughout the year and you are all welcome.

*We hope to see you soon. **WASPS PST.***

COMMUNITY LINKS

Free Science & Arts based Workshops for children aged 7-11 years. The Community Hub Building, Mulberry Park, from 2pm – 4pm held on the last Saturday of each month during the Autumn Term. For info ring 01225 436869

The Rock Project - FREE TASTER SESSION for 7-11 years. Spaces are now available to join The Rock Project Bath, two-hour weekly sessions on a Monday evening - Singing, Guitar, Bass or Drums, AND play as part of a band! For info visit www.therockproject.com or email bath@therockproject.com.

Wells Cathedral – be a chorister for the day and take part in Evensong – ages 7-9. Saturday 12th October – lunch provided. For info telephone 01749 674483 or email musicoffice@wells cathedral.uk.net

Winfield Lodge Summer Fair – Saturday 14th September from 2 – 4pm. Entertainment, activities, tea party cup-cakes and a raffle. All welcome