

## WASPS Newsletter 7 - Term 1 - Autumn 2019

Dear Parent

### Book Week – 21<sup>st</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> October 2019

You should have received a copy of the Book Week letter and the Travelling Books (Book Fair) leaflet sent home last week. If you haven't received the letter or if you have mislaid it, please call at the School Office for a copy. During Book Week we will be welcoming various authors and storytellers to school and will, as usual, have a book fair in each of the halls through the week.

- **Bedtime Story, Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October.** Don't forget on Thursday evening to bring your child/children to school dressed in pyjamas and slippers for our annual bedtime story. Bedtime Story tickets will be on sale from your **child's class teacher at 50p each from Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October.** **The timings for Bedtime Story** are as follows:

- ❖ Year 0, Year 1 & Year 2 – 5.45pm to 6.30pm
- ❖ Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 & Year 6 – 6.00pm to 6.45pm

Whilst your children are being entertained in their classrooms you can browse through the fantastic range of books at our Book Fair. We receive commission on everything we sell. This money will go towards new books for the children's classrooms.

- **Dressing Up, Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October.** The children have the opportunity to come to school on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> dressed in something green for the environment which possibly links to a book. Children **do not** need to come to school head to toe in green if they do not want to, just a gesture is fine, for example: a green T shirt or green socks. Alternatively, a Book Character costume with a touch of green in it is equally fine.
- **Book Fair and Book Week Bookmark.** Book Fairs will be held throughout book week in each hall **opening from 8.30 - 8.50am and 3.20 - 4.00pm daily**, so come along and purchase some early Christmas presents. We guarantee they won't be on the bookcases for long! As a memento of a very busy, fun filled week the children will be able to purchase a bookmark. Please send in 50p to your child's class teacher.
- **Year 6 Pupils** – look out for an exciting addition to Book Week for Y6 – letter coming home shortly.

Local author Katy Walton will be visiting WASPS during Book Week and talking to pupils about her book "The Land of Belching Bog". The book is suitable for pupils aged 8 and over. The story was inspired by a meditation ceremony with the Huni Kuin Amazonian tribe and is a reminder for children of all ages to reignite the power and authenticity of their true, divine and happy selves.

If you would like to pre-order a copy to have signed by Katy, please do so here:

<http://www.lulu.com/shop/katy-walton/the-land-of-belching-bog/paperback/product-24154324.html?ppn=1>

### Year One Coffee Morning – Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> October 2019

The Year One Team will be holding a Coffee Morning on Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> October from 9.00 – 9.45am in the Little WASPS Hall. This will be an opportunity to catch up with the Year One Team. All welcome.

### Tempest Photography

- **On-Line Orders** - The closing date for **FREE postage and delivery** is fast approaching for online orders. If you haven't already placed an order for photographs or if you wish to order more photographs, simply enter your image reference number and website access code (found on your original order form) at [www.tempest-orders.co.uk](http://www.tempest-orders.co.uk). If you need assistance, please contact Tempest 01736 751555 (option 3).
- **Orders via School** – Please return your photograph order either to your child's class teacher or to the school office by **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October**. Thank you.

### Apprenticeship Administrator Vacancy

We are advertising for an apprentice to join our school office either at WASPS or Abbot Alphege Academy. Please click on the following for information:

Weblink: <https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/-473772>

Closing Date: 20/10/2019.

### Parking

Once again I am receiving complaints about inconsiderate and unsafe parking at drop off and collection time. This time the complaints have come from residents in Broadmoor Park and Broadmoor Lane regarding parking on yellow lines and blocking residents' driveways and entrances. Please take the time to park responsibly and 'park and stride' wherever possible. Thank you.

## Sports Reports

- **Football.** Last Tuesday, WASPS 'A' Team hosted The Meadows 'A' Team in the first round of the Bath and District Football Cup. It was a brilliant game, with fabulous skills and enthusiasm displayed by both sets of players. Our boys made a great start to the game and went into half time leading by 4 goals to 1. Controlling the game in the second half, WASPS added 2 further goals to their total and conceded none with some solid defensive performances. Winning the game 6-1, the boys now move into round two of the tournament.
- **Cross Country.** Last week, on a very wet and soggy Wednesday afternoon, the Year 5 and 6 Cross Country team travelled to Odd Down Sports Ground for the Bath and District Cross Country Competition. The event was an opportunity for the children to showcase their running talents and compete on an individual and team basis. Despite the bad weather, every child produced an excellent performance. A special mention to Dylan, from year 5, who had a fabulous run and took the bronze medal in the 'Year 5 Boys' category. Each runner was awarded points for completing the run, which went towards the team total. The results for each team can be found below.

Year 5 Boys (17 schools, 76 runners)	Year 5 Girls (15 schools, 68 runners)	Year 6 Boys (17 school, 76 runners)	Year 6 Girls (14 schools, 67 runners)
2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>

- **Biathlon.** On Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October, WASPS Biathletes had the wonderful opportunity to compete at the University of Bath's elite facilities. 25 children, across Year 5 and Year 6, took part in the event which included a 50m swim and an 800m run. One parent, who was at the event, commented on how well the children represented the school and how they all did themselves proud. Thank you to all the parents who were involved in organising transport for the children and supervising them at the event.

Congratulations to all who have recently taken part.

### Aldi Kit for Schools – Get Set to Eat Fresh

Please continue to bring your Team GB athlete stickers in to your class teacher. For each £30 spent in Aldi you will receive special GB athlete stickers to display on our large Team GB and Olympic Hero poster. If we manage to complete a poster with all 300 stickers we will receive a school sports kit and be entered into a prize draw to win one of twenty £20,000 cash prizes. So far we have roughly 30 stickers so if you or anyone you know shops at Aldi, please ask them to collect the stickers for us.

**Congratulations to** Alice, 6M, for being one of the winners in this year's Firework Safety Poster competition organised by the Rotary Club of Bath.

Yours sincerely  
Dr Anne Bull  
Executive Headteacher

### PST (Parents and Staff Together) Information

Many thanks to everyone who came along to our first coffee morning held in the Café Hall on Friday last week. It was a really lovely social event with some delicious baked goodies as well as plenty of tea and chatter. Talking to people, everyone thought that it would be a great thing to do on a semi-regular basis so keep an eye out for future events, it would be great to see lots of you there.

### Charity Status

We are currently in the process of registering our PST as a charity and wanted to take this time to update you with where we are and what still needs to be done. There are a few practical issues that need to be resolved before we can apply and we are hoping to sort these out at a meeting on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November. In order to apply for charity status, we need to:

- 1) Adopt a constitution
- 2) Elect people to be on the committee and serve as Chair, Secretary and Treasurer.

Being a charity means that we will be able to raise more money for our school as well as take advantage of many grants/bids and other forms of funding that are open to charities.

Many thanks for your ongoing support with our events. The PST.

### **COMMUNITY LINKS**

**Bath Sports Centre** – Visit on 20.10.19 for a day of FREE activities and taster sessions including swimming, tenpin bowling, fitness classes etc. To find out more, visit [www.better.org.uk/bath-sports](http://www.better.org.uk/bath-sports)

**Bath City Football Club** home fixtures, kick off 3pm – 26.10.19 v Dorking Wanderers. 09.11.19 v Concord Rangers. Kick off your own tradition! For info visit [www.bathcityfc.com](http://www.bathcityfc.com)

**NEW Girls Football Coaching with SFC** – all abilities welcome. Free taster sessions. For info telephone Mark on 07855 756176 or visit [www.SoccerFootballCoaching.com](http://www.SoccerFootballCoaching.com)

**Larkhall Girls Football are recruiting.** Ages 6-9 and 10-12 years. Training is once a week. For more info please contact [larkhallathleticfc@gmail.com](mailto:larkhallathleticfc@gmail.com)