

# Welbourne Primary School Newsletter

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## Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been great to hear the views of so many parents throughout November. Whether this was through the Parent Forum Group, SEND support group or through our parent survey shared at parents' evening, we will work to listen to your views and through your feedback strive to improve as a school. For example, you shared that a wide range of educational opportunities outside of the classroom are important. If you are yet to be notified of education visits for your child's class, you will be shortly.

Something else that was exciting during the month of November was the launch of our new website. We have worked hard to make it easier to use and the site now works well on mobile devices. Please take a look at <https://welbourne.haringey.sch.uk/>

Finally, this December is an exciting month at Welbourne as always. Please make sure that the dates below are in your diaries!

*Mr R Lane*

**Together we learn. Together we succeed**

## Y2 & Y5 Cookery Classes

As part of our Design & Technology curriculum our Y2 & Y5 children have been working with one of the chefs from LunchTime (our catering company) to learn some delicious recipes that will soon be published in our very own Welbourne Cookbook.



## Late Pick Ups

Unfortunately, some children have been picked up late from clubs and tuition recently. Many of our staff work up until the end of the club or tuition so when parents and carers are late there are financial implications for the school and some staff are then late to pick up their own children. Please see our late pick up protocol:

*Please be aware that if you pick up your children late repeatedly they may not be able to continue to attend.*

From now on the following protocol will be followed:

Parent/carer does not arrive at the end of a club/tuition.

After a few minutes a call will be made to you.

If you have not arrived 15 mins after pick up time another call will be made and your child will be sent to after school club. You will be charged £12.



## Children's Rights

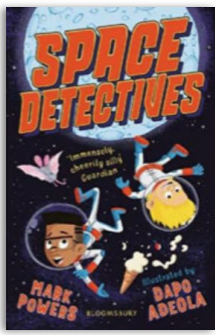


This month one of our focus Rights was Article 12 – **Every child has the right to have a say in all matters affecting them, and to have their views taken seriously.**

Children and young people do not have as much power as adults. They can not vote, and they do not have as much money. But Article 12 says they still have the human right to have opinions and for these opinions to be heard and taken seriously. At Welbourne, we take children's opinions very seriously. We are currently conducting a School Council Survey inviting all children to share their ideas for how we can improve Welbourne. These ideas will be used to formulate an Action Plan by our School Council. We are also conducting our regular Pupil Survey to get the views of all pupils on a range of school issues including behaviour, learning and clubs.

## Dates for your diary....

- Violin Concert - Tuesday 5th December - 9:30am
- Trumpet/Clarinet Concert - Tuesday 5th December - 2:30pm
- Winter Fair - Thursday 7th December - 3:30 - 5pm
- UKS2 (Y5 & Y6) Christmas concert - Friday 15th December - 2:30pm
- LKS2 (Y3 & Y4) Christmas concert - Monday 18th December - 2:30pm
- KS1 (Y1 & Y2) Christmas concert - Thursday 14th December - 2:30pm
- Reception Christmas concert - Tuesday 19th December - 2:30pm
- Nursery Christmas workshop - Tuesday 19th December 9.15 and 2.30
- Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper day - Wednesday 20th December
- School finishes at 1.30pm on Thursday 21st December
- INSET Day - Monday 8th January
- INSET Day - Friday 24th May



## Book Recommendation

*Dog lost in space? Grown an extra head and don't know why? Pocket money stolen by a green blob? You need the Space Detectives!* Connor and Ethan are spending their summer holidays aboard the world's first orbiting city, Starville (basically Beverley Hills in space!). The amazing space station is bursting with celebrities and the mega-rich. But Connor and Ethan are too busy selling ice cream to see the sights. However, neither of our heroes can resist a mystery and when they discover the space station is hurtling on a collision course with the moon (eep!) they know they need to step in.



## PE Kits

Children take part in PE twice a week. Please ensure they have their kit with them. If they do not, they may be asked to change into school spare PE kit which may not be as comfortable as wearing their own. See our [Uniform Policy](#).

Year Group	PE Session One	PE Session Two
Reception*	Tuesday	Thursday
Year 1	Tuesday	Friday
Year 2	Monday	Wednesday
Year 3	Thursday	Friday
Year 4	Monday	Wednesday
Year 5	Tuesday	Wednesday - Orinoco Thursday - Amazon
Year 6	Tuesday - Mississippi & Niagara Wednesday - Hudson	Thursday

\*Reception children do not need to bring in their P.E. Kit at this stage in the year.



## Wellbeing Corner

This month we are going to share some tips in how to **encourage independence** to help build confidence and a sense of responsibility. Encouraging children to make choices, solve problems, and assume responsibilities is fundamental to their growth. Here are five practical tips to support you:

### 1. Make Choices Together:

*Empower your child's growth with structured decision-making opportunities, like selecting activities. It's a fun way for them to feel more confident.*

### 2. Solve Problems with Fun:

*Infuse daily routines with problem-solving exercises, fostering critical thinking and resilience, like puzzles or projects.*

### 3. Teamwork Tasks:

*Give them jobs that fit their age. It's not just about cleaning; it's about being a good team and doing your part.*

### 4. Talk and Listen:

*Have a good chat with your child. Let them tell you how they feel. It helps them understand feelings and develops their emotional intelligence.*

### 5. Celebrate Wins:

*Whenever they do something awesome, cheer for them. Even small things matter.*



## Y5 Greenwich Royal Observatory

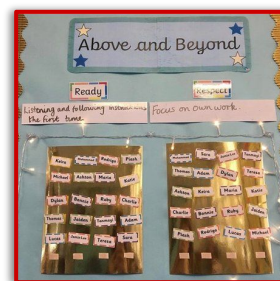
**Trip** Year 5 enjoyed a visit to Greenwich Royal Observatory earlier this month to deepen their science learning about Space.



## Behaviour

### Recognition Boards

**How we use Recognition Boards at Welbourne**



- Recognition boards are used to encourage fantastic social or learning behaviours.
- At the start of the day, the board is blank and the teacher will write up the day's target e.g. one voice; be ready to learn; follow adult instruction; full focus; kind words; over and above.
- When a child meets the target, their name goes up on the board.
- The aim is to get everyone's name on the board by the end of the day.
- Adults or children in the class can nominate names for the board and there is emphasis on children working together as a team to get everyone's name on the board.
- The class that has filled their recognition board the most over a half term will receive a 'class reward' (movie afternoon, tea party with the headteacher, etc).

## Reception to Year 3 Drama Workshops



This month Reception to Year 3 enjoyed drama workshops on the theme 'Around the World.'







# Walk and Talk

Our monthly Walk and Talk every first Monday of the month - whatever the weather! We'll have tea and cake after.

Meet other mums, dads, & carers of children & young people with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities (SEND).

Please let us know if you have any access requirements.

Email [hello@sendpowerinharingey.org](mailto:hello@sendpowerinharingey.org) to let us know if you're attending.

**December:** Bruce Grove Castle

**Meeting point:** Outside Bruce Castle Museum (N17 8NU)

**Date:** Monday 4th December 2023

**Time:** 11:30am - 12:30pm

[Link for further information](#)



## Flu Vaccine

Please complete the online Consent Form using this [link](#).

Please can all families complete this form whether you consent or not.

Vaccinations will be administered to all children with consent on Monday 11th December 2023.

Further information can be found [here](#). If you have any questions or problems completing the form, please contact the school office.



## Class Assemblies

We absolutely love having you in school to watch our class assemblies. Below you will see dates for the last class assembly of the Autumn and Spring 1 assemblies and these have also been added to the school calendar. Assemblies start at 9:15am:

### Autumn Assemblies:

**01/12/23 - Y5 Orinoco Class**

### Spring Assemblies:

**12/01/24 - Y6 Hudson Class**

**19/01/24 - Y2 Tagus Class**

**26/01/24 - Y1 Tweed Class**

**02/02/24 - Y4 Ganges Class**

**09/02/24 - Y1 Trent Class**



We hope you can join us!

## Welbourne Winter Fair

# DONATIONS NEEDED!



### Books

Do you have any donations of unwanted children's or adult's books that we could sell?

Please drop them in the box in the school office

### Tombola

Donations of items for the tombola, would be appreciated:

tins, toiletries, gifts, plants, bottles and games.

### Food items

Dreaming of the Great British Bake off? Bake us some cakes, biscuits or savoury snacks to sell on the day.

Food items to be brought to school on the day.

### Ebay Stall

Do you have a valuable, higher priced item that you no longer need that could make someone's Christmas?

We will be selling some items to the highest bidder, so bring us your bikes, scooters or promises!

Please text details to 07859 949664

### Bric-a-brac

Have a clear out and bring those little bits and bobs that might make another person's Christmas!

Ornaments, jewellery, games and toys all welcomed.

### Host a Stall

Would you like to host a stall? Please contact Hannah on 07859 949 664 if you would like to sell gifts, clothes, or craft items.



## Reception Admission Application

Please note that you must apply for your child's Reception school place by **15th January 2024** in order to ensure you are allocated a Reception place for September 2024. Even if you have a nursery place you still need to apply. Please apply online [HERE](#). Haringey is running online meetings to help you apply for your child's primary school - follow this [LINK](#)



## Colder Weather

Now the weather is turning colder, please ensure your children have their coats everyday.



## Attendance & Punctuality

Huge congratulations to **Zambezi class** for their excellent punctuality this month.

Please keep up your efforts to improve attendance and punctuality in all year groups.

Class	Attendance
YR - Thames	90.5%
YR - Tyburn	91.1%
Y1 - Trent	92.1%
Y1 - Tweed	94.1%
Y2 - Tagus	90.7%
Y2 - Seine	94.3%
Y3 - Nile	93.8%
Y3 - Zambezi	94.7%
Y4 - Ganges	93.2%
Y4 - Indus	94.8%
Y5 - Orinoco	95.2%
Y5 - Amazon	91.2%
Y6 - Mississippi	97.2%
Y6 - Niagara	94.1%
Y6 - Hudson	94.4%

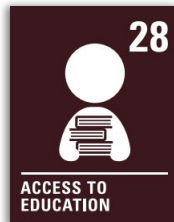
**Star Attendance of the Month:**

**Mississippi 97.2%**

**Our Total Attendance of the Month: 93.4%**

**Our Total Attendance Target: 95%**

Unfortunately, over 20 Fixed Penalty Notices were issued by the Local Authority for holidays taken during term time in the last three months. Please be reminded that we can not authorise term time holidays.



## Y3 & Y4 Bikeability Training

We still have **6 places available** for children to take part in their Level 1 Bikeability Training. It will take place on site over two days - 13th & 14th December. The programme is designed to make your child a competent cyclist and prepare them for cycling on the road. Your child will need a bike which is in good condition, is the right size for them and has pumped up tyres and two working brakes. **If you are interested in this great opportunity please contact the office for further details.** Places are on a 'first come first served' basis.

## How we keep our minds fit, by keeping our bodies fit!

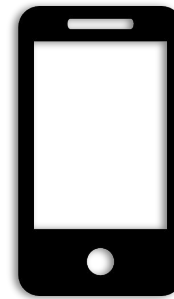
The Welbourne Team know the importance of staying physically active. We know exercise:

- Improves brain function
- Improves sleep
- Reduced levels of anxiety and stress
- Strengthens bones and muscles
- Increases flexibility
- Prevents disease.

Each month we will be showcasing some of the different activities we do to keep fit...



*Inji, our Office Manager, enjoys regularly swimming outdoors...even in winter!*



## No Mobile Phones

**Please be reminded that mobile phones are a banned item at Welbourne.** Our duty is to safeguard all children and in the past mobile phones have caused pupils to be at risk in the local community.



## Pantomime Visits

We are all looking forward to our visit from *Big Foot Theatre* on 6th December when they will perform:

**'The Littlest Christmas Elf'**

for Nursery, Reception and Y1.

and

**'Dip and Dab's Christmas Remix'**

for Y2 to Y6.







# Anti bullying Week

Welbourne truly embraced the spirit of Anti-Bullying Week! After starting the week with Odd Socks Day which allows us to celebrate our individuality in a fun way, we learned about the theme of ABW which was to 'Shout it Out.' Zambezi helpfully explained this in their class school assembly with a reminder about our responsibility to be 'upstanders not bystanders'. We should always help when we see someone who needs our help. In our PSHE Assemblies we also explored the difference



between jokes and what might actually be hurtful words. We finished the week with stickers for everyone and special wristbands awarded to pupils in each class who had been role models in kindness and respect.

# NO Pens

At Welbourne we know that 'speaking and understanding skills are fundamental' in everything that children (and adults!) do. These skills are needed for children to: learn, read, write, manage emotions, develop friendships and succeed in later life. We celebrate 'No Pens Day' every year; pens and pencils are put to one side and the day is devoted to speaking and listening.



# Welbourne Winter Fair

Main Hall, Welbourne

7<sup>th</sup> THURSDAY DECEMBER  
15:30 - 17:00 PM

Tombola ★ Games ★ Bookstalls  
Gifts for sale ★ Foodstalls ★ Sweet treats

**CASH ONLY EVENT**

# Y6 Chocolate Workshops

Last week, Y6 enjoyed a workshop learning about the Mayan Civilisation and their use of chocolate. They enjoyed trying different types of chocolate and even making their own chocolate bars from cacao beans. 'Best Workshop ever!' said the children.



Welcome to our...

# OPEN DAY

TUESDAY 12TH DECEMBER 2023, 10AM

Come and meet us and -

- Meet our pupils
- See our teachers in action
- Try our school dinners
- Meet our headteacher
- Learn about our updated, exciting, inclusive curriculum



If you have friends looking at schools for their child, please encourage them to come to our Open Day!




# Children's Writing Corner

Each month we publish some children's writing in the newsletter. This month, we publish writing by Y5 inspired by their text Professor Astro Cat's Frontiers of Space.

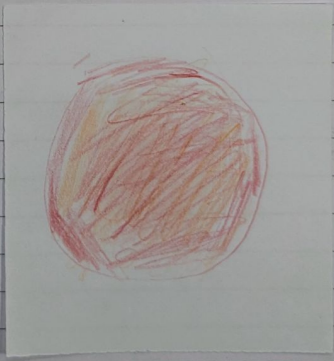
Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2023  
 WALT: Write a non-chronological report.  
 OUI: Solar System

Have you ever wondered what is floating around in space. Well say no more and come to this entertaining factual text. Would you like live on the red scorching Sugar Mars. Well come found out more of these rocky planets and gas giants. Come read on and be WII launch through this text.



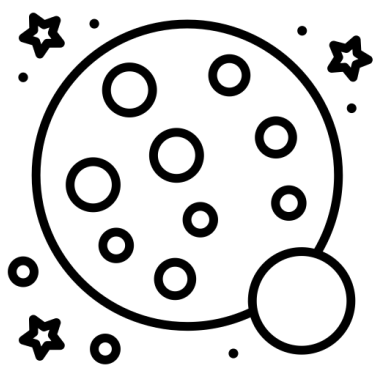
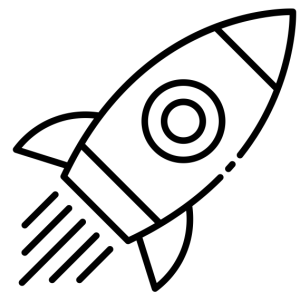
Blue Marble (Earth)  
 OUI Earth has just right conditions for us to live. Without Earth we would be the end of humanity, because we are lucky to have Earth, Earth is a Goldilocks Zone which means Earth is just right for us. But humans aren't helping they are releasing chemicals and gases. This is why humans should care for Earth and plant more trees and create more oxygen that trees breathe out.

The Red planet (Mars)  
 Mars is known as the red planet because its full of iron which means it rusts and turns red. NASA has discovered that Mars is half of Earth. Two Moons (Deimos and Phobos). A day on Mars is slightly longer 25 hours, but a year on Mars is twice as long as Earth.



Jupiter  
 Jupiter, the largest planet in the solar system and has 79 moons. Jupiter has had a violent storm for 300 years. A day is 10 hours long. We must get a early bed time. Well you can't sleep with violent storms and lightning. Jupiter is very similar to the Sun.


Well done to Kyle on his fantastic non-chronological report.



The blue rainy planet (Neptune)  
 Amazingly the blue planet is named after a god of the sea. Neptune is a gas planet which means you will go right through Neptune. But the core of Neptune is scorching hot as the energy boils up it makes the weather really dramatic. Neptune has 14 moons which orbit Neptune. Neptune takes 165 days to orbit the Sun. Neptune's color is like the sea it is blue, with 6 rings!

Fabulous facts

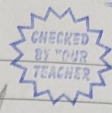
- Did you know the Solar System is 4.57 billion years old
- Uranus spins side-ways
- Space Smells like strawberries and ozone
- The Moon is lumpy shaped
- Uranus has diamonds in Heptane Water river
- The moon has made from meteorite's
- Fleets named planets (planets)



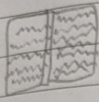
I am Uranus

We are finding out more about these magical worlds floating in space. Hopefully we meet on Mars! NASA is helping and learning together.

Thursday 23 November 2023



WALT: write a non-chronological report



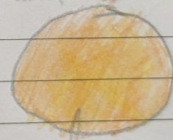
Interestingly, wait hold on I need to introduce myself and the book. My name is Professor Astro Cat, and this book is called Professor Astro Cat's Frontiers of Space. Read on to find out more.



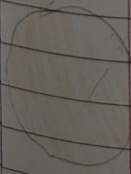
Did you know that miraculously perfectly catching hydrogen forms into these clouds called hydrogen clouds and the amazing  $\times$  Gravity comes and pulls literally pulls ~~it~~ it all together.



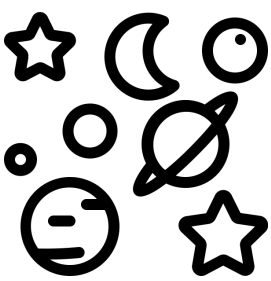
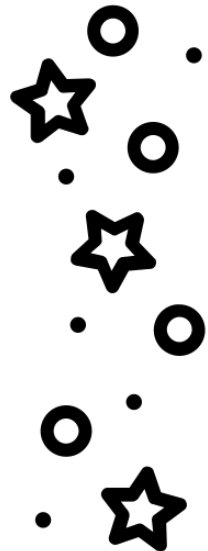
Have <sup>you</sup> taken this into the fact that Mars is sort of like a desert because of its ~~absolute~~ absolute dryness. Where you have to take the fact that it is like an island because of its hot liquid and bubbling volcanoes.



Have you ever noticed that Jupiter is mostly made of hydrogen and a minimal of helium but unlike the Sun  $\times$  it's on fire. Its most famous feature is called the Red Spot is a storm visible from Earth that has been raging for 300 years. Did you  $\times$  know Jupiter has four main moons Callisto, Ganymede (the largest moon), Europa (the smallest moon) and Io (bright yellow moon).



Venus, is like the Earth's evil twin. Although very similar in size and weight to our planet, standing on Venus would be a much more unpleasant sight and feel. For a start it is very hot, a scorching 460 degrees Celsius.



Now we have our Solar System <sup>done</sup> and hopefully ~~you~~ you know more than when ~~you~~ you walked ~~in~~ in that door. And do you think maybe  $\times$  scientists could move some continents to some of Jupiter's moons Europa maybe?

Well done to Aatikah on her amazing non-chronological report.



