




WHAT'S ON

FRIDAY 4TH OCTOBER 2019

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DIARY DATES

ALL CLUBS ON NEXT WEEK!

MON 7TH OCT, 7PM
WISPA AGM at The
Chequers Pub

TUE 8TH OCT, AM
School Photos

TUE 8TH OCT, 7PM
Hub Fundraiser at Indian
Nights restaurant

WED 9TH OCT, 10AM
Y1 & Y2 Harvest Festival, All
Saints' Church

THU 10TH OCT
World Mental Health Day
#HelloYellow

SCHOOL LUNCH

Next week's lunch will be
[Week 3 – click for details.](#)

SHOOTING STARS!

JESSICA for
fabulous writing
using fantastic
descriptive words!
LINCOLN for marvellous
Maths - recalling number
bonds & finding fact families!



RALPHIE for
persevering with
his Maths work!
MILES for his amazing
reading & comprehension
skills!



CODY challenging
himself when
finding greater
than & less than!
ISLA for excellent listening
skills in English!



BETHANY for
writing an excellent
description of her
weekend!
JAMIE for trying to use full
stops & capital letters!



MESSAGE FROM MRS CASTELL

Is it really October already? We so enjoyed seeing our Foxes and Squirrels parents at our Picnic & Play sessions. We really appreciate you taking the time to support your children as we understand it can be challenging for working parents to come in. Just a reminder that we always like feedback on things we do well and also future steps. Please contact me on parents@writtle-inf.essex.sch.uk or see me on the playground.

Next week is action packed! Please remember the school photos will be taken on Tuesday morning. If your child has siblings at our school or the Junior School, they will have a family photo taken during the school day. If you would like a family portrait taken with pre-school children, please complete the form sent via ParentMail and queue at the main entrance from 8.20am on Tuesday morning. On Tuesday evening we will host our Hub fundraiser at Indian Nights. Please speak to the school office if you would like to come along, it's not too late!

Wednesday at 10am is our Harvest Festival for Years One and Two at All Saints' Church. We look forward to seeing you there. Please be seated by 9.45, the front few pews will be reserved for the children. Our Harvest collection always goes towards the Link Club, a social group for the elderly in Writtle, so if you have any loose change please bring it along. Our Year Two children sing at the Link Club's Christmas party every year, which is partly funded by our Harvest collection.

World Mental Health Day is next Thursday, when we will support Young Minds' #HelloYellow initiative. All the children are invited to dress down and wear something yellow (or a bright colour) in exchange for a £2 donation to Young Minds and our Health & Happiness Hub fund. Our assembly and class lessons that day will focus on wellbeing.



Congratulations to Mrs. Winsley, who was awarded her Level 3 Forest Schools Leader qualification this week! We are extremely proud of her commitment to giving all our children such a joyous Forest Schools experience. The outdoor learning programme is firmly embedded in our school curriculum and we see huge benefits in the children's physical and mental health, as well as their attitude to learning when they return to the classroom after a session outside. [There are some wonderful photos of our Forest School activities on our website.](#)

Finally, WISPA will hold their AGM on Monday 7th October, 7pm at the Chequers pub. All parents are very welcome to attend. If you have any ideas for raising money for the school or would like to offer to help in any way, please email wispacharity@gmail.com.

YEAR 2 NEWS

The children have been very busy practicing our Harvest Festival this week and can't wait to perform their play 'Easy PEASy Harvest' to you at the village church on Wednesday at 10am. You are all more than welcome to attend. We have looked at the Christian Festival of Harvest and what happens during Harvest festivals. We also found out how certain food was harvested and where our food comes from. We looked at different food chains and worked out the different producers and predators in each food chain.

HUMPHREY for

being honest,
HIPIP is so proud!



LOLA for joining in well at
whole group time!

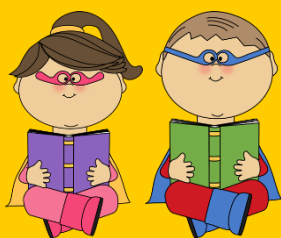
DUDLEY for sitting
patiently at home



time & following
instructions at school.

THOMAS for his enthusiasm
& helpfulness at school!

READERS OF THE WEEK!



**DEMMI, ASA, FREDDIE G &
BENJI!**

COMMUNITY LINKS

AUTUMN LITTER CLEAN-UP

tomorrow in Chelmsford City
Centre 9.00am – 1pm. Meet at
Baddow Road car park, free
parking and refreshments for
all volunteers. More info at
facebook.com/loveyourchelmsford.

PHYSICSFEST is a Science Fun
Day for all the family at
Great Baddow High School
on Sunday 20th October from
1 – 4pm. Lots of interactive
physics demonstrations,
activities and talks for all
ages. We have free tickets
available in the school office,
just pop in and collect them.

FARLEIGH HOSPICE in Writtle
have lots of children's books
available to buy for 25p and
50p each. Some are brand
new, so please take a look!

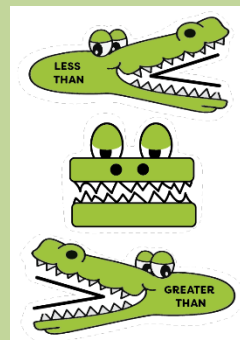
In our Guided Reading, we have focussed on the Pawsome Gang member 'Predicting Pip'. The children made logical guesses on what would happen next depending on the clues given in the story. We continued our work on adding and subtracting and the children have started adding a single digit number to a 2-digit number, as well as counting and adding ten to 2-digit numbers.

[Home learning and spellings are published on our website.](#)

YEAR 1 NEWS

What a busy week! We have continued to write about our weekends and develop our writing skills. In Maths, we discussed what greater than and less than means, and explored this using the different crocodiles. Ask your children about them! We had fun using the bee-bots in ICT, giving them instructions and seeing where it took them. In P.E we continued to practise our balancing skills and different ways to travel.

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FOUNDATION STAGE NEWS








It was lovely to see so many of you at Picnic and Play this week. The children thoroughly enjoyed showing you their classrooms and outside area. They also enjoyed the picnic, even though Squirrels class had to come inside due to the rain! We hope you found the meeting informative and useful, we really do appreciate your support in coming to these meetings. We hope you can come to our Family Learning Time on 15th October where we will share our wonderful 'Helicopter Stories' and you can join in with the magic! If you haven't already sent in a photo of your child, please pop one in their book bag.

Next week we start our phonics sessions and look out for letters about reading. Have a great weekend.

NOTICES

- ★ **Please save any "Get Set" stickers from Aldi for us!** If we collect over 300, we can enter their competition where 20 schools will win £20,000 each to create a health legacy. Stickers are issued when you spend over £30, if they don't give them to you please ask!
- ★ **Can you please ensure that all items of uniform are labelled, including coats and shoes.** We have had lots of lost property already this term.
- ★ **Our Songs That Make Us Smile CDs are still available!** Priced at £6 each or 2 for £10, the songs were recorded last term by children and staff at the school to raise money for our Health & Happiness Hub. Please collect your copy from the office.
- ★ We would be hugely grateful if you could **sign up to the Easyfundraising app**, which raises money for the school (at no cost to you) through your online shopping.

ATTENDANCE (Target 97%)

						
95.4%	94.3%	95.5%	95.3%	93.7%	97.1%	96.8%

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