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'Striving for Excellence'
Headteacher: Mrs D. Dack

NEWSLETTER 2
OCTOBER 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are nearly up to half term and have many more events happening.

Next week we are hosting 8 Chinese Primary Head teachers for 2 days. They will be observing classes and learning about the English education system.

Kindest Regards

Mrs Dack

PARKING

Please do not park on double yellow lines, or across neighbours drive-ways. There have been a number of complaints about cars parking across the lowered kerb on the path or adjacent to the corners of Dorset Road and Pembroke Avenue. This is dangerous and extremely difficult for children to cross the road safely as they are unable to see the road clearly. We would also ask that you do not stop your car outside the school and allow children to get out on the road. This is a dangerous manoeuvre and causes an obstruction to other drivers.

SWIMMING POOL

Swimming contributions for the Autumn term are now due and can be paid on Sims Agora. The cost remains £20 for 1st child, £15 for 2nd child and £10 for 3rd child. Foundation Stage pupils will swim in the Summer Term.

SCHOOL TOURS FOR 2018 PROSPECTIVE PARENTS

Please see below for dates and times for tours of the school. This is for children due to start school in September 2019. Current available dates are:

Wednesday 31st October at 9.15am

Thursday 1st November at 1.30pm

Wednesday 7th November at 9.15am

Tuesday 20th November at 9.15am

Wednesday 21st November at 1.30pm

Please contact the office on 01621 853572 or email office@wentworth.essex.sch.uk, if you would like to book on a tour, or if you know anybody who would like to attend please share the dates and times with them.

EMAIL & SIMS AGORA

Since returning to school there have been ongoing issues with our email system and Sims Agora. We have now been assured all problems are resolved. Please contact the office if you are still experiencing problems with either system.

SWIMMING POOL BUILDING

Please ensure that children are fully supervised outside the pool building when taking out of hours swim lessons. They should not be at the side of the building or on the school playground.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

We are delighted to announce the names of our new School Council. They are: **6S** Melis Pavett, **6T** Jasmine Stamate, **5HW** Archie Kramer, **5TL** Hannah Garrod, **4N** Oliver Servis, **4P** Kiera Galley, **3F** Madeleine Poston, **3WQ** Liam Little, **2M** Ellie Corbett, **2S** Jamie Jarman, **1A** Erin Whiskin, **1S** Lucy Mansell.

THANK YOU

We would like to thank Claremont Garden Centre for their generosity for the donations of plants for our boxes outside reception and also outside the Year 5 classrooms.

JO JO BOWS

Please be advised that children are not permitted to wear these large bows to school.

BIKE & SCOOTER SAFETY

A number of children have been observed riding bikes and scooters to school on a daily basis without wearing a helmet. Please may we remind you that as part of the agreement to use the school bike shed children must wear a helmet at all times for their own safety.

SPORTS NEWS

SPORTS CAPTAINS FOR AUTUMN TERM

New Sports Captains have been selected this term. These pupils have been helpful, responsible and kind to others in their PE lessons. Throughout the term they will help Miss Nicoll prepare, organise and participate in PE lessons. **6S**—Beau Barry & Sophie McGuinness **6T**—Harry Parrish & Ruby Schelvis, **5HW**— Mia Scott & Jack Wells, **5TL**— Hannah Garrod & Harry Sollars, **4N**—Bobbie Cooke & Jack Sawyer, **4P**— Robyn Kennelly & Luke Thorn, **3F**—Ben Cohen & Elaine McCarthy, **3WQ**—Grace Everitt & Max Serial.

PTA NEWS & EVENTS

The PTA have a number of events organised for the Autumn Term. There is a Quiz Night been held on Friday 5th October in the Viking Hall start time 7pm. The Annual AGM takes place at school on Wednesday 10th October at 9am everybody is welcome to attend. Childrens Fashion Show on Friday 12th October, Pamper Evening on Friday 9th November, Christmas Discos on Thursday 13th December. Payment for these events may be made on Sims Agora.

HARVEST FESTIVAL 5th OCTOBER

We are celebrating Harvest Festival at school and currently Maldon Food Pantry are looking for the following items. Pasta, cereals, sugar, jam, tinned tomatoes and long life milk but all donations are welcome. These can be brought into the office or given to the class teacher.

SCHOOL PLACES

We currently only have spaces in Year 2 please inform any new neighbours or friends who may be looking for school spaces.

INFORMATION

Please like and follow our school Facebook page for up to date information, news and activities at Wentworth. Please also check the website regularly for updates.

Monday 1st October—Whole School Flu Immunisation.

Friday 5th October—Harvest Festival—All donations gratefully received.

Friday 5th October—PTA Quiz Night.

Monday 8th October—Year 3 Trip to Layer Marney Tower.

Tuesday 9th October—Year 2 Trip to Abberton Reservoir.

Wednesday 10th October—PTA AGM.

Thursday 11th October—Children's Individual & Siblings Photographs— Viking Hall

Friday 12th October—PTA Fashion Show.

Thursday 18th October—Grandparents' Morning. Grandparents' of our new Foundation pupils are invited to a special morning in school. Details to follow.

Monday 22nd to Friday 26th October—**HALF TERM**

Monday 29th October— Pupils return to school.

Wednesday 7th November— Year 6 SAT's meeting in the Viking Hall at 2.30pm. Details to follow from the class teachers.

Friday 9th November—PTA Pamper Evening—Details to follow.

Friday 16th November—Children in Need—Details to follow.

Friday 23rd November—Year 5 Portal to the Past Greek Day—Details to follow.

Wednesday 28th and Thursday 29th November 3.30 to 5.20pm and 6 to 7pm—Parent Consultations Details to follow from the class teachers. School meal taster session in Viking Hall.

Friday 30th November—Decoration Day Parent volunteers welcome. £2 contribution requested per child to support the purchase of extra resources. Details to follow.

Tuesday 4th, Wednesday 5th & Thursday 6th December—Key Stage 1 Christmas Performances – Details to follow.

Friday 7th December at 2pm—Christmas Bazaar - Details to follow from the PTA.

Wednesday 12th December— Christmas Dinners - Details to follow.

Thursday 13th December—PTA Christmas discos— Details to follow.

Friday 14th December—Year 3 Christingle Performance—Details to follow.

Monday 17th December— In School Pantomime. TBC

Tuesday 18th December—Santa Day Tuesday 18th December—Last Day of Term.

Wednesday 19th December—Inset Day

Thursday 20th December to Wednesday 2nd January—Christmas holidays.

Thursday 3rd January 2019—Pupils return to school for the Spring Term.

Please note dates are subject to change.

CLASS ASSEMBLIES

All KS2 assemblies are held at 2.40pm in the Viking Hall.

6S—8th November, **6T**—15th November, **5TL**—22nd November, **5HW**—17th January, **4N**—24th January, **4P**—31st January, **3W**—7th February, **3F**— 7th March