# DIARY DATES

NOVEMBER

Fri 18<sup>th</sup>
PTA Disco
Tues 22<sup>nd</sup>
Class 4 Heart of
England Forest
Mon 28<sup>th</sup>
YR & Y6 Height &
Weight check + Y6
Health Assessment

## DECEMBER

Thurs 1st 7.15pm Class 4 RSC -A Christmas Carol Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> 3.30pm PTA Christmas Fayre Mon 5th 2pm Class 1 & 2 Nativity Tues 6th 6pm Class 1 & 2 Nativity Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> 7pm PTA Wreath Making Fri 9th Class 2 Heart of England Forest Wed 14th 9.30am Carol Service Thurs 15th 7.45am Santa's Breakfast Thurs 15<sup>th</sup> 12pm Christmas Lunch Fri 16th END OF TERM

# **NEWSLETTER**

ISSUE - 6

Whole School Attendance Year to Date - 97.9% We are on the right track, keep up the great work!



#### **Collective Worship**



We have thought about equality and the British Values of Liberty and Democracy in particular through the story of Moses leading the Israelites out of Egypt, brought to us by Open the Book, our local Christian bible group. We have used our assemblies to focus our minds on this week's anti-bullying theme, encouraging us all to be the change we want to see.

#### **Anti-bullying week**

Our School Council opened our Anti-Bullying week focus with a special assembly to help us all reflect upon this year's important message – reach out. The children have thought about the nature of bullying, why some people might resort to it, and what we can all do to help support ourselves and one another if we experience or see persistent unkindness.



#### **Maths Week**



Mrs Yorke has led the school to realise just how fantastic maths is with a range of inspirational challenges and investigations taking place in all classes across the week. At the forefront of the initiative has been the message that through building our resilience and developing a positive attitude to the subject, we can all enjoy and succeed at maths!

#### **Volunteers Safeguarding Training**

Thanks again to our volunteers for watching the Safeguarding training recording. Could those of you who have not yet responded to Fi, please let her know that you have watched and understood the key messages.

#### **School Direct**

Arden Forest Teaching School at Welford upon Avon Primary School are starting the recruitment process for 2023-24 and have asked that we share with you their recruitment poster, which you will find attached.

#### **Digital parenting**

For many parents the online world can sometimes feel like a minefield, where children are way ahead in terms of their knowledge, that they can circumvent every parental protection and have little control over behaviour and consequences. Leonie Smith has written a useful, down to earth article which sets out to help parents keep their children safe in our digital age. Click HERE to access the link to the article.



#### **Road Safety Week**



Since September, all classes across the school have been learning about Road Safety as part of their PSHE curriculum. As part of the official Warwickshire Road Safety Week this week, we have used assembly time to recall the learning and will return to this topic over the next few weeks. The message is especially important during these dark, winter days.

#### Road Safety at TG

A polite reminder to all parents: please do not use the crossroads as a turning circle. Thank you.

#### Special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND) support for families in Warwickshire



Warwickshire County Council is hosting a special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) webinar on Monday, 21 November covering the support available for families through Warwickshire SENDIAS.

Warwickshire's Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Information Advice and Support Service (SENDIAS) provides free and impartial information, advice and support to disabled children and young people, and those with SEND from birth to 25, and their

parents and carers living in Warwickshire. The service is commissioned by Warwickshire County Council however all information and advice provided to families is completely impartial.

A team of local advisers can assist families on all matters related to SEND including, but not limited to, speaking to schools about SEND support for their child, understanding professional reports as well as the law and local policy and going through the process of mediation and tribunals.

During the session, attendees will hear from members of the SENDIAS team who will explain their role and the support they can provide to families, and when and how this can be accessed. There will also be the opportunity to take part in a question-and-answer session.

The webinar will take place on Monday 21 November, 12.30pm - 1.30pm and you can register to attend at: https://bit.ly/WARKSSENDIAS

#### **PTA News**



Happy Friday and even better happy disco day! We are looking forward to seeing everyone get their groove on tonight.

We will then be throwing ourselves into festive mode to prepare for our Christmas Fayre on Friday, 2nd December straight after school. Exciting! If anyone has any grand ideas or even a hint of willingness to assist, we are always extremely grateful. Keep an eye out for pleas for chocolate, wine and cake donations closer to the day. Due to the current economic climate, we have decided not to sell raffle tickets this winter but please feel free to spend those extra pennies at the fayre if you can.





Wreath making tickets are still available for our adults' event on Thursday, 8th December 7pm. At £35 this is a bargain compared to similar events elsewhere. Our professional host will help us to create wreaths just like the one on the poster! Grab your place quickly before we open the spaces up to a wider range of TG friends and family next week.

And then our favourite event of the year! Breakfast with Santa! Don't worry if you're already booked into breakfast club on Thursday 15th as this automatically gets you a space with no action required. Further details and booking slips etc will be sent out soon.





And don't forget, to use easyfundraising and Amazon Smile when you shop online to help us raise funds for school through FREE donations! You can get started at: https:// www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/templegraftonprimary/?utm campaign=raise-Imore&utm medium=email&utm content=rm-en-n2

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### Star of The Week Friday 11<sup>th</sup> Nov

Class 1 Ellie

Class 2 Harriette

Class 3 Zachary

Class 4 Nora

## Star of The Week Friday 18th Nov

Class 1 Harry C

Class 2 Leo

Class 3 Siena-Rose

Class 4 Kerrin

# Whacky Hair Day - Anti-bullying Week - Reach Out!





# Thinking of a career in teaching?

You could train at The Arden Forest Teaching School!

Welford on Avon Primary School is committed to supporting the training of new teachers coming into the profession.

Welford on Avon Primary School lead the Arden Forest School Direct programme in partnership with local primary schools and the University of Worcester. We provide placements and training opportunities within our community of schools for those training to teach through the School Direct teacher programme.

School Direct is a school-based teacher training programme that offers a great opportunity to train, qualify and gain employment as a teacher.

If you want to find out more about life as a teacher before you apply, please contact us to arrange a 'taster day' or some voluntary experience in school.

We are recruiting now to find out about the recruitment process please call to speak to us or visit our Arden Forest Teacher Training link on our school website:

www.welfordonavonschool.co.uk

"As a partnership of schools, we are fully committed to offering the best possible support and training to grow the next generation of teachers. We have a wealth of experience and expertise in supporting those new to the profession and feel that our School Direct programme will give teachers the best possible start in their career."

Julie Leeman - Headteacher (Welford on Avon Primary School)



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