

Weston Hills C of E Primary School

6th January 2017



Happy New Year to everyone and we hope you had a wonderful Christmas.

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New Year!

The children have returned to school full of energy and enthusiasm for their new topics and very excited about the whole school performance of 'King Arthur and the Knights of the Round Table'. Mr Gernet has already started working his magic with the children and rehearsals began this Thursday. Every class is learning a song by Queen and the older children have solos and lines to learn too so any support at home will be really helpful as we only have 5 weeks to make it all happen!



There seems to be a lot in the news recently about children's use of social media and the internet. Also, in school we seem to be dealing with more and more issues related to use of the internet at home, including online gaming, Skype, You Tube or texts. We have a duty of care to inform parents about inappropriate use when we are made aware of it.

You may have seen the report that was released this week by the Children's Commissioner for England which stated that,

'...youngsters are not prepared for what they are signing up to on the internet, and are frequently giving personal information away'...Despite the internet being an "incredible force for good", Ms Longfield said children were being left to fend for themselves with parents hoping they would avoid its pitfalls.'

Internet safety is a core part of our Computing Curriculum and we teach the children about staying safe online, as well as how to behave responsibly. Just this week Mrs Alexander has led sessions for Willow and Elm Class on 'trolling' and will be talking to Holly Class soon. Later this term we will be having an assembly for Internet Safety Awareness Day.

On our school website, [[School Information > Safeguarding & E-Safety](#)] there are a number of useful links to sites which tell Parents/Carers how they can monitor and control internet access and ensure their children stay safe online and behave responsibly. We would encourage Parents/Carers to talk to their children about this issue and make use of the resources available.

Have a safe weekend,

Mrs. Fitzgerald

Term 2 Trophy Winners

Oak Class



(+ Anastasia who was absent)

Holly Class



Willow Class



Elm Class



Cherry Class



Open Door

We have an Open Door policy at Weston Hills so that staff can try to be available to Parents/ Carers whenever possible. However, school life is very busy once the children are in and we want to be sure that we are able to give you the time and privacy to discuss any issues related to your child. We ask, therefore, that you make an appointment with the relevant member of staff at a convenient time when they can give you their full attention.

Swimming

Swimming for Term 3 will be for 5 weeks starting back next Friday 13th January 2017. Total cost for the term will be £10. Swimming for Term 3 will include all Year 3 children and any Year 4 children who have not yet achieved 25m (letters have been parent mailed to Year 4 parents).

DIARY DATES

Back to School—Term 3	Wednesday 4th January 2017
Maths Day in School	Monday 23rd January
Hamlet—Young Shakespeare Company	Monday 30th January p.m.
Y5/6 Agilitas Hockey Tournament	Tuesday 31st January 10am-2pm
Spalding Hockey Tournament (Y5/6) at Surfleet	Friday 3rd February 3.45-6pm
Internet Safety Awareness Day	Tuesday 7th February
Whole School Performances	Wednesday 8th February 2pm & 6pm
Whole School Performance	Thursday 9th February 6pm
Break up Term 3	Friday 10th February
Back to School—Term 4	Monday 20th February
School Nursing Team—heights/weights/hearing (Rec. only) for Year 6 & Reception	Wednesday 22nd February a.m.
Sophie Allen—Inspire + in Elm Class	Thursday 23rd February p.m.
Sports for School visit	Monday 27th February a.m.
Peterborough Museum Visit—Willow Class	Thursday 2nd March
PGL Caythorpe Visit for Y6 pupils	Tuesday 7th March p.m.
Flag Fen visit—Holly Class	Thursday 9th March
PTA School Discos	Friday 10th March
Science Week in School	w/c 13th March
Spalding Hockey Tournament (Y5/6) at Surfleet	Friday 17th March 3.45-6pm
Comic Relief—Red Nose Day	Friday 24th March
KS1 Tea Party in the hall	Thursday 30th March p.m.
Break up Term 4	Friday 31st March
Back to School Term 5	Tuesday 18th April

Term Dates

Term 3 2016/17	Wednesday 4th January 2017	Friday 10th February 2017
Term 4 2016/17	Monday 20th February 2017	Friday 31st March 2017
Term 5 2016/17	Tuesday 18th April 2017	Friday 26th May 2017
Term 6 2016/17	Monday 5th June 2017	Wednesday 19th July 2017