

## West Bridgford Infant School Newsletter

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### Key things to remember for next week:

- 10th February- Last day for parent governor nominations, PTA cake sale & last day of term
- Remember to order school meals through <https://www.myevolvehub.com/login>
- Remember to order milk through <https://www.coolmilk.com/parents/>

## Guidance for parents and carers

### Parent Governor nominations

Last Friday we sent out an email explaining that we have one vacancy for the post of parent governor. The term 'parent' relates to any person who has 'parental responsibility'. The closing date for nominations is Friday 10th February.

We are very fortunate to have a wonderfully supportive team of Governors and if you would like to find out more about this highly rewarding role then please get in touch with Ms Stevens who can also put you in touch with one of our existing Governors to talk with. If you would like to nominate yourself please check the eligibility criteria and fill out the nomination form. If you need these to be resent, please get in touch with the office [office@westbridgford-inf.notts.sch.uk](mailto:office@westbridgford-inf.notts.sch.uk)

### Contributions for school trips

Whenever we organise extra enrichment activities for children, including school trips and activities in the school hosted by external providers. We are super reliant on the contributions made by parents on Parent Pay to allow these activities to go ahead now and in the future. Sadly our budget does not cover the cost of these activities. We absolutely value the impact that these kind of activities make and so we want to keep offering them. If your child has attended one of the following activities recently and you are yet to make a contribution we would be most grateful: if you are able to:

- Weather workshop—Year 1
- Goldilocks performance— Reception
- The Power of Drums workshop— Reception.



### School Pick ups

Please ensure that if you are bringing Junior School children into the playground at pick up time that they are supervised and well behaved. They should not be playing on the infant play equipment. The reasons are two-fold, we are not insured for them to play on it and also the equipment is not designed for the weight of older children, so it could be damaged or broken.

Also as a gentle reminder if you need to alter your child's collection from school, for example for a playdate or if you have a medical appointment, please could you give the office as much notice as possible so we can let their teachers know in good time. Thanks so much for your co-operation.

### Scooters

If you are leaving scooters stored at school during the day please can you ensure that they are positioned safely and clear of the gate as they could be a trip hazard when people are leaving the school.

## Activities and initiatives:

### Cake Sale

The PTA will be running our ever popular cake sale on Friday 10th February, straight after school at 3.30pm. If the weather is clement we will be holding this on the playground under the -weather shelter. We would be most appreciative if you could bring in cakes for us to sell. Homemade or shop bought, we aren't fussy. If you can bring them into school at drop off next Friday, that would be marvellous!



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### Children's Mental Health Week

Children's Mental Health Week 2023 will take place from 6-12 February. This year's theme is Let's Connect. This week in school assemblies the children have been learning to recognise and name emotions using stories and songs. We have also talked about how to ask for help with big emotions such as anger.



## What's been happening in school?

Here's your weekly round up of what the children have been learning:

### Reception



Our reception classes have been listening to the story of Handa's Surprise, this is the story of Handa, who's part of the Luo tribe in south-west Kenya. Handa decides to take seven pieces of delicious fruit to her friend, Akeyo, who lives in the neighbouring village. As part of their learning the children have been talking about their favourite fruit and writing sentences about how they made a fruit salad. They have been looking closely at fruit and making observational drawings. In Maths they have been practising number bonds to 10.

### Yr1



Our year 1 children have been learning more about the different countries which make up the British Isles this week, focusing on Northern Ireland and Scotland and creating each country's flag. They have also been learning about stories and folklore from each country including the story of the Loch Ness Monster and also St Colmcille (or Columba) a patron saint of Northern Ireland and how the two stories overlap. They have also worked on a newspaper report on the spotting of Nessie!

### Yr2

In Maths the theme for this week has been money, money, money! The children have been learning to count in both pence and pounds, grouping the coins and then adding up their totals. In Art they have been learning about famous sculptors such as Anthony Gormley and Barbara Hepworth, describing the differences and similarities between different practices and disciplines, and working with clay to create their own sculptures



## Spring Term Dates 2023

- 10th February Cake Sale
- 10th March– PTA Disco Year 2
- 11th-19th February Spring half term holiday
- W.C 20th March Arts Week- joint with WBJS
- 20th February Children return to school
- W.C 20th and 27th March Parents' evenings
- 3rd March– PTA Discos Reception & Year 1
- 31st March 1st- 16th April Easter holidays