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Friday Note
14 October 2016

Dear Parents

The Westfield family are reunited this week! Our year 6 group are back from having the time of their lives in the Forest of Dean last week. They had the best weather for it! Here are a few accounts of the time they spent there:

'When I went to the the Forest of Dean, we did the zip wire challenge. I saw it and my face just smiled as I really wanted to go on it loads of times. I jumped onto the top that was attached to the rope and zipped along. Then we went onto the climbing wall and I was proud of myself. I loved being with Mrs Chaudhuri's group. Go Jellybabies!
by Chloe Hyland

'My favourite part of the day was in problem-solving, when I had to get across a river with two pieces of wood. We were only allowed three people on a section of an island at any time. It was hard! I ended up in the river!
by Louie Gurner



'One of our activities was the Cannop Walk. We walked for just under four miles and it was very tiring. At one point, our wellies got stuck in a muddy puddle and we got ... very muddy! Lots of friends tried to pull us out, but it was really hard! When Ayesha tried to pull me out, I just fell over and got my waterproofs covered in mud. Mrs Plaxton saw that we were stuck and called, "Hurry up - we're going!" before coming over to us and getting very muddy herself!
by Ellie McCarthy

Poetry Week

Here is a piece of work from Poetry Week from Filip Krecisz in Dolphin:

Stand by the ocean.
What do you hear?
The splashing ocean,
shaped like a spear.

Wade in the water.
What do you feel?
The long eels,
tickling my heel.

Sit on the jetty.
What do you smell?
The odour of a hermit crab
that lives in a shell.

Walk on the beach.
What do you taste?
The salty water
that the wind
blows in my face.

Lie near a dune.
What do you see?
The sand castle
that is right next to me.

Harvest Festival



Thank you to everyone for a wonderful Harvest Festival service last week. We have raised almost £200 which will go to the charity 'Send a Cow'.

Parents Evening

Parents Evening slips have all been given out to the children with appointment times on for next week. If your child hasn't brought one home then please see the class teacher for your time slot.

Dinner Money Debts

Please can everyone log in to their Parent Pay accounts or check statements at the office with regards to dinner money. We realise that a lot of parents may have money sitting in there 'trolleys' but this does not automatically feed into dinner money accounts, it needs to be put there.

Sickness

Please can we remind all parents of our sickness policy. The sickness policy states that when a child has Diarrhea or Vomiting they are kept away from school for 48hrs after the last episode. Most children will seem well again after 24hrs, however may still be contagious.

Consent Forms

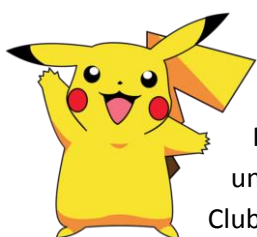
We are still missing a few Reception and Year 3, Home School, Internet and Trip consent forms. Please could you make sure you have handed these in to make sure your child is able to use all of the facilities at school, thank you or should you need copies, please ask at the school office, thank you.

Year 6 Camp

A few parents have asked if Year 6 Camp 2017 could be set up on Parent Pay to enable payments to start being made. We have set this up with a rough guide to price. This price isn't definite but it will in the region of £320-£340. Once we know numbers and other costings we will be able to confirm a final price.

Pokémon

We have noticed recently that children are bringing Pokémon trading cards to school. Whilst we have enjoyed seeing the children discussing and playing with Pokémon cards there have been too many problems with children swapping and trading with each other.



We strongly advise that you do not allow your child to bring Pokémon cards into school, unless attending KS2 Pokémon Club during Wednesday lunchtimes.

If a child has Pokémon cards in school from Monday onwards, the class teacher may decide to look after them for the day!

Facebook

We would like to remind parents that Facebook must not be used to notify the school of absences or to arrange meetings. These procedures must be done through the school office.



The attendance policy is now available on the school website, along with forms that can be downloaded for any absences seeking authorisation.

As set out in the attendance policy there may be occasions when a child has to miss school, for example if he or she has a specific illness and has made an appointment with the G.P. Every half day absence from school is recorded as either authorised or unauthorised which is why information about the reason for each absence is always required. If a child is ill, parents and carers are asked to inform the school by 9.00 a.m. on each morning of the absence.

Westfields Wonderful Writing

Ellie from Monkey class has written a lovely description of a beach, using some brilliant adjectives!

'It was a beautiful, bright day on a rocky beach. Somewhere across the magnificent beach, there was a boy wearing a yellow t-shirt. He was collecting different species of sea animals. Mysteriously, he had lots of science things in bags. He was exploring wildlife. The boy found a tiny crab in a wondrous rock pool. Suddenly a huge wave washed him up to the squishy sand. Quickly he found a mysterious underwater camera that got flotsam.'

Diary Dates

Oct

Thurs 20	Halloween Disco
Fri 21	Inset Day
Mon 24-	
Fri 28	Half Term
Mon 31	Start of Term 2

Nov

Mon 7 PTA Meeting

Dec

Fri 2	Christmas Fair
Fri 16	Break up for Christmas





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- Jan**
 Tues 3 Inset Day
 Weds 4 Start of Term 3
- Feb**
 Fri 24 Valentines Disco
- March**
 Fri 31 Movie Night
- April**
 Fri 7 Easter Bingo
- May**
 Fri 26 Inflatable Day
- July**
 Fri 14 Summer Fayre

Please keep your comments coming in. We always like to hear what you think, positive or negative.

Yours sincerely

Mr Simon Mills
 Headteacher

Community News

PALLADIUM
 Midsummer Norton Town Hall
 Saturday 22nd October 2016

2.30pm, Family Showcase
THE ANGRY BIRDS MOVIE U 97 mins

7.30pm, Evening Showcase
 Kate BECKINSALE Chloë SEVIGNY Xavier SAMUEL Stephen FRY
LOVE & FRIENDSHIP U 93 mins

£5 Adults, £3 Children, £12 Family Tickets (2 Adults, 2 Children)
 Cinema refreshments available from the fully licensed bar
 Tickets available in advance or on the door - subject to availability



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