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Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you all have had a lovely half term break (although it was a little wet!). We come back for the second half of the Autumn term, a term of glitter, Nativities and awe and wonder for the children.

On Monday the staff were in school for First Aid training. Mrs Lester won a prize for the best CPR action!

Please can you ensure that the children are bringing in a named coat each day, as the weather is very changeable at the moment.

Mrs Scallon

Warning Zone

This week year 6 visited Warning Zone in Leicester. This is a charity who aim to teach children about safeguarding and keeping safe. It is aimed at Year 6, in preparation for their move to secondary school.

We had a lovely phone call from Warning Zone praising the children's behaviour and attitude during the day. They also said the children were very knowledgeable about online safety. Well done Year 6!

Parking/ Driving

Please can families be careful when driving and walking to and from school. Reports of children and adults being in the road and parents and carers driving up to the school gates.

Open afternoon Wed 11th October

Thank you to everyone who came to our Open afternoon. It was lovely to see so many families in school. We will shortly be displaying the artwork the children were creating that afternoon, when they were thinking about our Christian vision and what it means for them – 'Living Life in all its Fullness – what it means to me'. This is our Christian vision:

Together we will enable all pupils in the school to **live life in all its fullness** by encouraging them to:

Dream to be the best we can; **Believe** in ourselves and others through the Christian ethos to become respectful people;

Learn through the curriculum; Aim to **achieve** our full potential.

Flu Vaccinations

A reminder that seasonal flu vaccinations are on Tuesday 14th November.

Year 6 Parents

A reminder to make your applications for secondary school by 31st October

Foxes Sports competition

We have been unable to participate in any of the recent Foxes sports competitions due to lack of numbers. If anyone has any ideas of how we can increase this, please let Mrs Wagg know. We are unable to organise or provide lifts/ buses due to cost and insurance implications.

We have been successful at these events in the past and we would like to be able to continue the Wymeswold tradition of excelling in sports.

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Autumn 2023	
Tuesday 7 th / Wed 8 th	Parents Evenings (Tue 3:30 – 5:30pm, wed 3:30 – 7:00pm)
Nov	
Thursday 9 th November	PTA AGM
Tuesday 14 th November	Flu Vaccinations
Fri 1 st December	Decoration Day for children in school
Tue 12 th December	KS1 Nativity 2pm
Thur 14 th December	EYFS Nativity 2pm
Fri 15 th December	Christmas Jumper Day/ Christmas Dinner Day
Wed 20 th December	Please come and join us for our Christmas Service 9:30
	Church
Friday 23 rd December	Finish for the Christmas holidays 3:15pm
Monday 8 th January	Children back for the Spring Term
2024	
Wed 22 May – Friday	Ironbridge residential for Years 3 and 4
24 th May	

Important update about the Wymeswold School PTA

The PTA is still in desperate need of new volunteers, including someone to take on the role of PTA Secretary. The description of the Secretary duties is attached to this message. Sadly, due to a lack of volunteer support and the inability to fill the Secretary role yet, it has not been possible for us to run the Spooky Disco this year, which is a long standing event in the Wymeswold School calendar. We know many of the children are disappointed to not see that happening this year.

The PTA can only function with good support from the community and the more members there are, the easier it is for everyone. The re-scheduled AGM is now approaching, at 8pm on Thursday 9 November 2023. It will likely be at The Windmill pub on Brook Street, we will confirm this shortly. Please do think seriously about coming along and offering support in any way you can.

If we cannot fill the Secretary position, then sadly, there is a very real prospect that the PTA will have to close. The PTA provides vital fundraising for the school, not to mention a lot of extra-curricular fun for the children. It would be hugely missed if it came to this. If you have any questions about the PTA at all then please email

<u>wymeswoldschoolpta@gmail.com</u>, speak to Mrs Toon in the School office who can put you in touch with the Committee, or speak to any of the existing Committee members. Thanks,

Wymeswold School PTA Committee

Year 3/4 residential - Ironbridge

We are planning to go to Ironbridge Gorge in Shropshire for the Year 3/4 residential on Wed 22nd – Fri 24th May 2024. We are waiting on some quotations to come in for buses. Once these are finalised a letter will go out to parents. This is expected to be around £200.