

Reminder: Do not leave valuables on show in your car whilst dropping off and collecting children from school.

What's on Next Week

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
KS1 Movie Night 3.00 - 5.00pm The Polar Express	Y5/6 Dodgeball Final	Breakfast Brainiacs 8.00-8.40	Kingfisher and Owl trip to West Midlands Safari Park Open Morning 9.00am - 10.00am	Breakfast Brainiacs 8.00-8.40 Celebration Assembly 2.40pm

The Festive Season

This time of year is one of the best times to be working in a school but it is also one of the busiest. Along with all the events we are running in school, we still have our core purpose of educating children to fulfil. In between rehearsals, shows and festive events, we maintain our timetable as much as we can up until the last Wednesday of term. The routine of school helps many of our children cope with the excitement of Christmas.

I want to take this opportunity to thank the staff who have been instrumental in getting the events of Christmas organised. I am sure you can appreciate that organising a whole school Christmas play or a Christmas Fayre takes many hours.

Thank you to Mrs Genge for once again sorting out the Christmas Fayre. It is a difficult challenge - made all the more tricky by it being one of the busiest times in the office too! I am sure it will be a success once again.

Thanks to Miss Williams for being brave enough to take on the Christmas play. It can be something that causes many sleepless nights but the good news is there aren't many more! Performances take place on **Wednesday 19th December**.

Thank you to staff for organising Enterprise week, where the children make the goods to sell at the Christmas Fayre. The making day is chaotic but brilliant with children across school working together to achieve their best for their house. As always competition is fierce!

And a final thank you to the parents for supporting all of the Christmas events. It wouldn't be the same without you!

This year, we are also inviting parents into school for a termly **Show and Share**. It is a chance to see all of the work in the classroom and for your child to explain what they have been learning. You can also walk around school looking at displays and seeing work in other classrooms.

Christmas Jumper day is on the last day of term (Friday 21st). Children are asked to bring £1 and proceeds will go to our chosen charity of the year - the NSPCC.

And don't forget - school **closes at 1.05pm** on the last day of the Autumn Term (21.12.18).

I hope you enjoy the range of events in school over the coming weeks.

Mrs M Cross
Executive Headteacher

Thank you to everyone who has sent in: tombola items, raffle prizes, books and bric a brac for the Christmas Fayre.



Peter Panto!

All photographs can be purchased via ParentPay for £3 per A4 colour copy.

Spot Light on Excellence...

Enterprise Day

It's that time of year when we inject a sprinkle of festive fun into our curriculum - with a pinch of competition added for good measure. Our House teams met this week to create items to sell at the Christmas Fayre. They had to stick to their budget of £10 and create a minimum of three items per House that they felt would make a profit when sold.

The school was brimming with creativity and mathematical ingenuity throughout the day. Our children from Peacocks all the way up to Falcon class worked together to make the best possible items that would appeal to our families at the Christmas Fayre. Then the children had an added challenge of presenting their items (not to mention their break down of prices and special offers) to our Governors who visited and scored each House team on their entrepreneurial spirit.

At this point I am not allowed to write about the items which were actually made, as that will be revealed this evening (I wouldn't want to be accused of swaying any interest in a particular House). We have had great fun working as a team and it has also given the children the opportunity to work hand-in-hand with their peers and work on skills such as: communication, delegation, friendship and of course respect.

Well done everyone. I am very eager to find out who will be the winning House. Good Luck!

Miss McGroarty



IPad App of the week A Wriggly Nativity by ThirstyWork (£2.99)

This unique app is based on one of the UK's favourite nativity shows, 'A Wriggly Nativity', by Peter Fardell. The Christmas story is told by children, with lots of songs to sing along to, cute illustrations by Matilda Tristram, games to play and much more.



Charity Update

Our charity for the school year is the



Christmas Jumper Day Friday 21st December

All children will need to pay £1 to come to school in their normal clothes and we are asking them to wear a Christmas Jumper. Please do not buy something new. Payments can be made on Parentpay and all money raised will go to the children's chosen charity the NSPCC.



JOB VACANCIES

Midday Supervisors

Wood End & Dordon Primary Schools -1
Temporary Fixed Term Position 3 Supply
Positions available

Salary: Monday to Friday 6.25hrs per week Scale B

Closing Date - 9.00am on Friday 21st December 2018

Interview Date - January 2019

The Executive Headteacher is seeking to appoint an enthusiastic and organised Midday Supervisor to join our team. One vacancy is for a fixed term position to 31st August 2019 and three supply vacancies are available to provide cover when necessary across both primary schools. Full training will be given. This is a great opportunity to do something really rewarding, work with wonderful children and gain some valuable extra experience for that CV! Further details and Application Forms are available from the School Offices or websites. Please return completed applications either via email to :- admin2023@welearn365.com or in printed format in person to the School Office at Wood End or Dordon Primary School.

JOB VACANCIES

Clerk to Governors

Dordon & Wood End Primary Schools

Based on 8 meetings per academic year

Salary: Scale Point 10 - 13 £8.74 per hour

Closing Date - 9.00am on Friday 21st December 2018

Interview Date - January 2019

The Executive Headteacher and Governors are seeking to appoint an enthusiastic and highly motivated administrator to the post of Clerk to Governors to join our team. The governing body meets approximately 6 times per academic year with additional meetings if necessary.

All meetings are from 6pm and liaison is required via email and school portals. Further details and Application Forms are available from the School Offices or websites. Please return completed applications either via email to :- admin2023@welearn365.com or in printed format in person to the School Offices at Wood End or Dordon Primary Schools.

Dates for your Diary

17/12/18 - KS2 Movie Night 3.00 - 5.00pm - Home Alone
18/12/18 - Show and Share 3.00pm
19/12/18 - Christmas Performances at 9.30am, 2.00pm and 5.30pm
20/12/18 - Carols in Church 9.00am
20/12/18 - Embody Dance Performances 2.30pm
21/12/18 - Christmas Jumper Day
21/12/18 - Christmas Dinner Day
21/12/18 - End of Term school finishes at 1.05pm

07/01/19 - Inset Day school closed to pupils
08/01/19 - Spring Term starts
18/02/19 - 22/02/18 Half Term Week
25/02/19 - Inset Day school closed to pupils
26/02/19 - Term resumes for pupils
12/04/19 - Deadline for payment for Manor Adventure Trip
12/04/19 - End of Term school closes at 3.00pm

29/04/19 - Summer Term begins
06/05/19 - Bank Holiday
13/05/19 - Y6 SATs Week
27/05/19 - 31/05/19 Half Term Week
03/06/19 - Term resumes for pupils
07/06/19 - 10/06/19 - Manor Adventure Residential Trip
21/06/19 - Inset Day school closed to pupils
19/07/19 - End of Term school finishes at 1.05pm
These dates may be subject to change if necessary. Details and times to be confirmed nearer each event.

Swan

On Wednesday Swan class went to Polesworth Abbey to see 'Baby Jesus':

"My favourite part was dressing as a camel." Oliver

"I liked paying the taxes and seeing the baby." Hollie

"I liked being a star, I'd love to do it again!" Mollie

"I liked seeing the real baby Jesus and the sheep." Theo



"I loved the baby." Bella



Christmas Menu

Roast Turkey Breast Fillet with Chipolata Sausage, Sage and Onion Stuffing and Gravy

or
(v) Roast Quorn Fillet, Sage and Onion Stuffing and Gravy

Crispy Roast Potatoes
Garden Peas and Carrots

(v) Ice Cream or
(v) Homemade Chocolate Cracknel

Selection of Drinks



Polesworth Community Association are holding a FREE Christmas Party for children up to the age of 10 at Polesworth Memorial Hall on Saturday 15th December 2pm to 4pm. Santa will be visiting! Please call Lyn on 07976608181 or 01827 892731 for more information.

Attendance

	Last Week	Year
Peacock	96.4%	94.3%
Kingfisher	98.3%	95.5%
Swan	97.9%	96%
Owl	94%	98%
Swift	99%	97.2%
Hawk	90%	95.1%
Falcon	96.3%	97.1%

Last weeks Postcards Home

Peacock = George
Kingfisher = Amelia
Swan = Declan
Owl = Imogen
Swift = Minnie
Hawk = Stephanie
Falcon = Chelsey

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Jack & Jill Preschool Before and After School Club

Breakfast Club 7.30-8.35am.
After School Club 3.00-5.30pm.
Monday - Friday, term time only.
For more information please contact Jack & Jill Preschool on 01827 899551
(Please note that once a session has been booked you will be charged even if your child does not arrive.)