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# JULY NEWSLETTER

### **FAREWELLS**

With the end of the school year now upon us, it is time to say goodbye to our Year 6 who will be leaving us next week to start the next stage of their learning journey at Secondary schools in South Gloucestershire, Bristol and Gloucester.

We are very proud of all the children, who have grown and matured in so many different ways, during their time at Wheatfield. The contribution made by every single child in Year 6 to their classes and the school has been fantastic! As the children prepare to leave us we would like to say - Thank You Year 6! Thank you for your enthusiasm for learning; thank you for looking after each other; thank you for getting involved in so many different areas of school life! Most of all, however, thank you for being you and for making those of us who have journeved with you smile at your confidence and determination to be 'the best you can possibly be,' which you will see in action, if you come along to the performance of 'Cinderella, Rockerfella' on Thursday evening.

We wish you all, the very best for your future success and happiness as you continue your learning journey at secondary school. I am sure some of you will be popping back to Wheatfield every now and again to let us know how you are getting on at your new schools!



### AND NOW SOME THANKYOUS!

I would like to say an enormous thank you to the great Staff Team, we have at Wheatfield! This has been a particularly challenging year following the outcome of our Ofsted Inspection, alongside this we have also had to introduce a new National Curriculum and Assessment procedures. The staff have worked tirelessly, to ensure that the children have experienced numerous exciting and stimulating learning opportunities during the course of the year and made good progress across the curriculum.

I would also like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to the Governors for their continued hard work and support of the school. Last, but not least, a huge thank you to all parents for the many ways in which you contribute to and support the work of the school. It would be great if as many of you as possible could complete the OFSTED ONLINE PARENT VIEW SURVEY.

Please click on the link to access the website: http://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk

The questionnaire will not take you long to complete and will be used by Ofsted inspectors to gauge parents' opinions of Wheatfield and as a tool to help them arrive at a judgement on the effectiveness of the school, especially following the outcome from our last inspection, so your views really do count!! Thank you

The commitment and enthusiasm of so many people to our school continue to make Wheatfield a fun, exciting and great place to 'grow and learn!'

# **BOOKS BOOKS BOOKS!**

PLEASE can you return ALL reading and library books to school by MONDAY 13th JULY so that we can check our stocks ready for next year. We will be grateful for all books that are returned, even if you have overlooked them in the past!



**South Gloucestershire Music Festival**—On Friday 10th July; a representative group of Wheatfield's choir took part in the South Gloucestershire Music Festival at the Colston Hall. The Festival which is held annually, is a huge event with over 400 children participating. The children enjoyed singing the 'Singing in the Dark' number where the concert hall went completely dark with light only from the children's torches lighting up their faces. Apart from our choir members, some of our instrumentalists, who attend the Music Hubs Saturday school also took part Joe Bees, Milly Bending, Millie Green, Zoe Cotterell and Spencer Smith. Max Liu gave a faultless solo performance on the piano of Beethoven's Minuet & Trio. As always all Wheatfield children were brilliant ambassadors for our school at this special event!



### WHEATFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL UNIFORM

We would like to clarify information on our school uniform, as we continue to have a number of children wearing items which are unsuitable for school. Uniform is an essential element of Wheatfield, as it helps to create a sense of identity and belonging. We want the children to take a pride in their appearance, so please encourage them to come to school dressed smartly. No jeans, track suit bottoms, fleeces, trainers or converse style baseball boots should be worn as every day school wear.

We particularly ask when choosing clothing for the new school year, that parents respect the school's uniform policy and ensure that the children are correctly dressed. Thank you!

Sweatshirts, cardigans, T-shirts, polo-shirts, fleeces and baseball caps, all with the Wheatfield logo, can be purchased from Initially Yours Tel: 0117 956 0909, a local company whose premises are situated in Waverley Units, Old Gloucester Road, Hambrook, Telephone 0117 956 0909,

Details of the correct uniform are:

### **WINTER**



Navy blue sweatshirt, jumper or cardigan (purple for Y6 only)

Gold or navy blue polo-shirt

Grey or navy pinafore, skirt or trousers

### SUMMER



Gold, navy blue or white polo-shirt

Blue and white striped or checked dress, culottes or skirt

Plain navy blue or grey school shorts (not football shorts)

## Summer Reading Challenge!

This year's Summer Reading Challenge has the theme:

RECORD BREAKERS. This will be in conjunction with <u>Guinness World Records</u> TM (GWR). Record Breakers will bring together the worlds of fact and fiction, challenging young readers to explore some of the astonishing real-life achievements and world records featured in the Guinness World Records Books.

Collecting stickers as they go, young readers will discover weird, wonderful and wacky records from around the world in six different categories: Cool Tech, Way to Go!, The Big Stuff, Animal Magic, People Power and Action! Adventure! So visit any library from 11<sup>th</sup> July and sign your children up for a summer of reading fun. It's free and they can earn a sticker for each book read and a medal if they read 6 books during the summer holidays. Teachers will be asking to see medals in September! Visit the Summer Reading Challenge web site for games, competitions and more information.

### **FREE SCHOOL MEALS**

A reminder that as from 1st September 2014, all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to free school meals. We will assume that your child will be having a school meal every day, unless class teachers are informed otherwise on a Monday morning. There will be a form on the website for you to copy and return each week.

If you are receiving any type of benefit, it is still vitally important that you continue to apply for Free School Meals, to ensure that the school gets the additional Pupil Premium grant. This funding can then be used to support children's learning and provide families in need with subsidies to offset costs such as educational visits, Wheatfield Plus breakfast and after school club, school uniform and other extra-curricular activities.

You will of course still need to apply for Free School Meals for any child you have in a KS2 Class (Y3- Y6).

**REMINDER**; as from September 2015 a school lunch for KS2 children will cost £2.00. If you are paying in cash for school dinners this must be brought into school on a Monday, in a sealed envelope. We strongly encourage parents to use our on line payment facility. Could we also ask that arrears are paid in full next week so that we can prepare for the end of term figures.

### How do I apply for free school meals?

You can apply by telephoning us on 01454 868610 Monday to Friday: 9.00 to 12pm; or by following the link below:

http://www.southglos.gov.uk/Pages/Article%20Pages/Children%20Young%20People/Schools/Free-school-meals.aspx



REMINDER Fruit Tuck will still be 15p. Thank you.

On Wednesday the 8th July we held a non-uniform day to raise money for Morgan Walker in 6M.

Morgan is travelling to America in July to have life changing surgery. His family have been fundraising tirelessly to raise money to go towards the operations, acquiring the equipment that will help Morgan with his rehabilitation and, his intensive physiotherapy to ensure he gets the best results. You may remember Mrs Haydon recently took part in the Bristol 10K to raise money!

We kindly asked all parents to make a small donation on the day. Morgan also sold Hope for Morgan t-shirts and wrist bands. T-shirts cost £ 5.00 and wristbands £1.00.

You will be please to know that a grand total of £513.36 was raised. Well done & thank you!

To find out more about Morgans story please visit <a href="www.justgiving.com/hopeformorgan">www.justgiving.com/hopeformorgan</a>



Zoe & Darren Walker is fundraising for Darren Wright Foundation

JustGiving - the easiest way to fundraise and donate to charity online

**Maddi Wilde** of 6G has had an outstanding football season this year. With Downend Flyers she received the u11s Girls, Manager's player of the season, with Almondsbury u11s boys she received the 'Man of the Match' Award for the most votes for Man of the Match throughout the season, From the Mid-Gloucester League she received the League's Player of the Year and with the Bristol Ladies Academy u13s she received an award for her outstanding contribution throughout the year. All of this has only been topped with Maddi being offered a place in the Bristol Ladies Academy Centre of Excellence Team, which she has accepted. Well done Maddi!



**Reminder** – Don't forget the Great Art Hunt is happening throughout the summer holidays. Scattered about the local area are 63 sculptures created by the pupils of nine local Primary Schools. Each Wheatfield year group has created their own sculpture to display around Bradley Stoke and the local area. Booklets will be available from school or the local library to help you find the sculptures and to answer the questions along the way. Good luck!

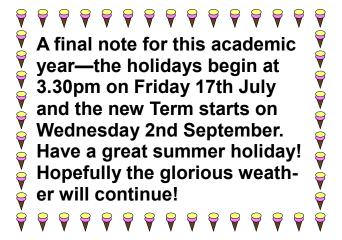


**CHOIR**—On Tuesday 14th July, the choir have been invited to sing at BSCS with the Bradley Stoke Community Singers. They will join the adult choir in singing some of their songs and will perform 2 songs of their own including Sing by Gary Barlow with some solos from Lauren Robinson, Jade Seidel and Joseph Garner.

### **Dates for the Diary**

- Thursday 9th July—Year 6 Performance 'Cinderella Rockafella' 6.45pm
- Monday 13th July—Year 6 End of Year Evening 6-9pm
- Thursday 16th July—Year 6 Leavers Assembly 9.15am
- Friday 17th July—Last day of school year for children.
- Monday 20th July—Inset Day
- Tuesday 1st September—Inset Day
- Wednesday 2nd September—1st Day of Term 1
- Wednesday 21st October—Inset Day
- Friday 29th April—Inset Day

REMINDER—Please come along to our Summer Evening Fayre between 5.30pm—8.30pm tomorrow. Lots of fun activities for all the family, and a BBQ will be available.



Get ready for the big

# LIGS KILS OPEN DAY



- ¥ Saturday 12th Sept 2015
- **★** The Lifeskills Centre
- **★** 4th floor, Create Centre near Hotwells, Bristol

Stalls by the Police, Fire Service, RNLI and many more

Lots of activities including raffles, treasure hunts, crafts, information stalls, competitions and talks



Fun for children, parents and grandparents!



Find out more about Lifeskills on our website www.lifeskills-bristol.org.uk