

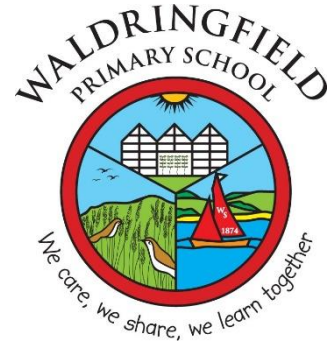
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AUTUMN TERM: NEWSLETTER 1

Friday 9th September 2022

A huge welcome to our new families who have joined us this week in Hedgehogs and throughout the school. I hope you have already been made to feel welcome and your children have had a positive first week at Waldringfield.

Obviously, today is a day of deep national loss and sadness. My team are prepared with resources to help and support your children if they choose to talk about feeling emotional about the loss of the Queen. The Dfe have written to all schools highlighting helpful resources on the website [Minded](#). It is a source of information to support children and young people to manage death and loss. Families may find it useful in the coming days. Once details of the funeral are confirmed by the Royal Household, the Dfe will contact schools again with further guidance and information. I, of course, will communicate this to families.

NEW STAFF

Miss Cutting, Mrs Andrews and Mrs Boyle have settled into their new roles and have created lovely, exciting classroom environments and engaging lessons this week. I am sure our families will continue to make them feel welcome and part of the school family. In addition, Mrs Goldsmith has joined our team at Waldringfield from Hollesley. Mrs Goldsmith teaches Hedgehogs and Squirrels on a Tuesday afternoon and Owls and Badgers on a Friday afternoon. Please come and say hello to her and introduce yourself as she is on the playground at the end of the day on those days.

As I informed parents at the end of last academic year Mrs Elder (senior Teacher at Hollesley) is now the SENDCo across both schools. She can be contacted via email theresa.elder@hollesley.suffolk.sch.uk or by calling one of the schools. I am still willing to discuss any SEND issue, it is a difficult role to step away from!

UNIFORM

Thank you to all of you for adhering to the uniform policy and equipping your children with appropriate uniform and footwear over the Summer Holidays.

In the school uniform policy reference is made to hairstyles, asking that long hair is tied back. Hair that touches the child's shoulders should be tied back away from their face with a simple hairband. As stated in the uniform policy: *Children with long hair should wear simple headbands, bobbles and hairclips only and should avoid wearing anything too decorative or flamboyant, this includes any other additions to their hair either temporary or permanent. Bobbles and hair accessories should be red, white, black or brown.*

Our cloakrooms are quite small and your child does not need to bring a great deal of "stuff". Please consider this as you allow your children to bring large rucksacks to school! A book bag or a small rucksack is quite sufficient to carry their reading book and water bottle.

An order for black PE hoodies will be sent at the end of next week. Please place your order on ParentMail and pay the corresponding amount by next Thursday. Any further orders through the year can be placed by contacting the office.

PE DAYS

We still request that your child comes in PE kit on PE days. The PE days for the classes are as follows:

Hedgehogs	Tuesday	Thursday
Squirrels	Tuesday	Thursday
Badgers	Monday	Friday
Owls	Wednesday	Friday

HEALTHY SNACKS and WATER

Children in Hedgehogs and Squirrels are entitled to a free fruit/vegetable snack provided by the government, they eat this during morning play. If older children want to bring in a morning snack it needs to be an item of fruit/vegetable. School staff

do not allow children to go into their lunch boxes and eat their crisps at playtime!

Along the same lines, unless you have spoken directly to me and I have agreed to your child having squash in their water bottles, all children should only have water in their bottles. This is to reduce sticky spillages, damage to school books in book bags and water is the healthier choice throughout the school day.

LUNCHTIME CLUBS

From Monday teachers will be running lunch time clubs. There is no cost to parents for these clubs, all we ask is that children commit to attending throughout the half term. The clubs on offer are:

Monday		
Tuesday	Girls Football Art & Craft (every other week)	Mr Hayes Mrs Andrews
Wednesday		
Thursday	Computing	Mr Sampson
Friday	Football	Mr Hayes

MULTI-SPORTS CLUBS

Multi Sports clubs will be running after school from next week. KS1 will be on a Tuesday and KS2 a Friday. Please collect your child by 16:20; any children not collected on time will be put into WOOSH and you will be charged for the session.

DATA COLLECTION

A data collection sheet for each child will be coming home next week. Please check the information we hold for you and your child is correct, making any amendments, then sign and return the sheet asap. It is very important that we hold up-to-date information so please let us know of any changes throughout the year.

HOME-SCHOOL AGREEMENT

A Home-School Agreement for each child will also be coming home next week. Please share the contents with your child then sign and return as soon as possible.

The photographer will be in school during the morning of Wednesday 14th September to take individual and family group photographs. If you have a pre-school aged child you would like photographed with their older sibling, please come to the school office for 08:30.

WSA CORNER

Second Hand Uniform Available

Thanks to kind donations from current and past school parents, we have a range of second-hand uniform items available in different sizes. Prices are £1 for school logo polo shirts and jumpers, £2 for school logo PE hoodies and 50p for non-logo items. There is a request book in the school reception.

Annual General Meeting – Friday 7th October, 8.45am, Staff Room

Please come along to hear a short summary of our activity over the last year. This will be followed by a Committee Meeting, to which **new members are very welcome.**

Upcoming Bag2School Collection: Monday 10th October

If you have any items of clothing which you no longer need, please keep them to one side for our next Bag2School collection.

50:50 Raffle

We will be offering you the opportunity to take part in our new 50:50 Raffle from October. Details will follow on ParentMail.

Fancy Dress Disco - Thursday 3rd November, 5.30-7pm, Waldringfield Village Hall

Save the date for this popular party event! More details to follow nearer the time.

M&S School Scheme

If you have an M&S Sparks card, please consider linking it to Waldringfield Primary School for the chance to win prizes for yourself and the school. Ask Leeanne Shiells for more details.

Hedgehogs: Harry Ballam for settling in so well, helping around the class and being kind to others.

Squirrels: Ezra Damoah-Green for helping and encouraging other children in PE

Badgers: Rosa Griffiths for being such a fantastic new member of the class – friendly, confident and joining in discussions

Owls: Daisy Mann for persevering and listening to advice in maths

GOLDEN LEAVES

Evie Winchester for being helpful with Hedgehogs.

Alba Roper for being kind to a younger child.

MIDDAY SUPERVISORS' AWARD

Ezra Damoah-Green for being so kind and helpful towards other children by taking their trays and cutting up their food.

OUTSIDE WALDRINGFIELD ACHIEVEMENTS

Ethan Haden-Scott became a Gadgeteer by taking part in the Summer Reading Challenge.

MRS WOOD DATES AT WALDRINGFIELD

I intend to be at Waldringfield on Tuesdays, Fridays and alternating Wednesdays. As always, please email me or call either school, on any day to speak to me. Hollesley's number is 01394 411616.

DIARY DATES

- Wed 14 Sep 8.30am School Photographs
Owls First Swimming Session
- Thu 15 Sep Start of Music Lessons for those who have opted in
- Fri 16 Sep Squirrels trip to Christchurch Mansion
- Mon 19 Sep Parents evening for YR parents
- Tue 20 Sep pm Owls class in V Hall for Wolsey production of 'The Lies you Tell'
- Wed 28 Sep 9.30-11am Open Morning for prospective YR parents
- Tue 4 Oct 9.00am Harvest Festival in Village Hall – Parents welcome from 8.45 for refreshments
- Fri 7 Oct 8.45am WSA AGM in staffroom
- Wed 12 Oct Whole school flu vaccinations
- Fri 14 Oct Whole school trip to Ipswich Gymnastics

Mon 17 Oct 1.30-3pm Open Afternoon for prospective YR parents

Thu 20 Oct 5pm Governing Body Meeting

Fri 21 Oct PD DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED

Mon 24-28 Oct HALF TERM

Mon 31 Oct- Bikeability for Year 5 children
Fri 4 Nov

Thu 3 Nov 5.30-7pm Fancy Dress Disco

Fri 4 Nov Book Fair Arriving

Mon 7 Nov 3.30-6pm Parents Evening

Wed 9 Nov 6-8pm Parents Evening

Fri 25 Nov 9.30-11am and 1.30-3pm Open Day for prospective YR parents

Wed 7 Dec KS2 Church Service TBC

Thu 8 Dec KS2 Church Service TBC

Fri 9 Dec 3-4.30pm Christmas Fair

Mon 12 Dec pm KS1 Nativity Dress Rehearsal

Tue 13 Dec am KS1 Nativity

5pm Full Governing Body Meeting

Yours sincerely

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We expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment



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