

Friday News 04.10.2024

This week has definitely seen a change in the weather feeling more autumnal which is fitting as we prepare for our harvest festival next week at the church. Yesterday, some of the classes took part in an exciting live lesson where they learnt all about harvest and farming in the UK. It was brilliant to see so many children involved in the lesson and learning about where their food comes from.

Parent / Guardian Consultations

These are to be held in school on Thursday 17th and Tuesday 22nd of October. Bookings can be made via Arbor.

Harvest - donations please

Thank you for your generous donations so far. Just a reminder that all classes will be heading to the church on Tuesday 8th October for our harvest festival. We would also love to be able to take some donations for distribution to the local community. Reverend Faith has said that tea, coffee, biscuits, custard, rice pudding and tinned fruit would all be very welcome donations as many of the elders in the community have meals on wheels delivered but are missing out on those sweet treats!

Attendance policy

Thank you to the small group of parents who were able to attend the meeting this week. We have put a copy of the presentation on our website and that can be found here: <https://www.greatwoldingfield.suffolk.sch.uk/attendance/>
If you have any further questions, please contact Miss Prall or myself.

Vacancies

We have 2 Learning Support Assistant vacancies and a Midday Supervisor vacancy in school currently. If you know of anyone that is looking to work in a school and would like to be part of our fantastic, friendly team, all details are available on our website here:

<https://www.greatwoldingfield.suffolk.sch.uk/staff-vacancies/>

Attendance

We achieved **97.3%** attendance this week which is a great increase on last week. Year R and Year 4 are our joint attendance champions this week with **98.5%**, well done Year R and Year 4! They were followed closely by Year 1 with 96.9% and both Year 2 and Year 3 with 96.7%.

We are so proud of everyone achieving such good attendance this week. Well-done Great Waldingfield! #MomentsMatterAttendanceCounts

Family First

We have been asked to share with you latest issue of Family First magazine. It can be viewed on the link below:

<https://familyfirst.co.uk/issue4-24>

Autumn Term Key Dates

Tuesday 8th October - Whole school to Church for Harvest Festival (children only)

Thursday 10th October - Oceania (Y2) parents invited in for No Outsiders 2pm

Thursday 17th October - Parents' Evening - Arbor is open for booking

Tuesday 22nd October - Africa (Y1) parents invited in for No Outsiders 2pm
Tuesday 22nd October - Parents' Evening - Arbor is open for booking
Thursday 24th October - North America (Y5) to Fitzwilliam Museum
Thursday 24th October - Antarctica (YR) parents invited in for No Outsiders 2:30pm

Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November - Half Term

Thursday 31st October – Deadline for secondary school applications
Monday 4th November - PD day no children in school
Saturday 9th November - Open morning 9:30 - 11:30 for parents and children who are due to start school in September 2025
Friday 15th November - Individual school photos
Friday 6th December - Christingle in school
Tuesday 10th December - Antarctica nativity to parents - pm
Thursday 12th December - Antarctica nativity to parents - pm
Tuesday 17th December - KS2 Christmas concert for parents at the church pm
Wednesday 18th December - KS1 Christmas concert for parents at the church pm

Happy Weekend



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“Let the children come to me and do not stop them, because the Kingdom of heaven belongs to them”

MATTHEW 19:14