

Dear Parents/Carers,

A huge well done to children, parents and staff for a successful half term. The children have had an excellent start to the year but are now ready for a well earned rest! This week started with a wonderful assembly from our Year 3 class on Diwali. The children retold the story of Rama and Sita beautifully and everyone enjoyed the Indian drumming. Year 1 enjoyed a local walk investigating the area around school and noting key features. Reception class were busy cooking and made a healthy vegetable soup. As the weather gets colder please ensure that your child/ren wear a warm coat, gloves and a hat. Also, don't forget that the clocks go back this weekend. Have a lovely half term holiday and I look forward to welcoming you all back on Monday 6th November.

Farewell Mr Walters

Kindest regards, Mrs Jay



I am writing in the news letter because I have some sad news. This will be my last term at Welsh House Farm Community School and I will be taking a new direction in life. It wasn't an easy decision because I have really loved working for you. So, I would like to take this time and say thank you for the great memories and the wonderful support you have shown me. This school will always have a special place in my heart because I have been lucky enough to

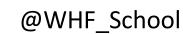
teach some amazing classes and meet a lot of wonderful people. I wish you all the best for the future.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday 27th October 2023 - School breaks up for Half Term Monday 6th November 2023 - School reopens Thursday 21st December 2023 - School breaks up for Christmas Friday 22nd December 2023 - Teacher Training Day

Monday 8th January 2024 - School reopens

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Kind awards

RB - Landon

Reception - Yasmin

Year 1 - Skae

Year 2 - Hosanna

Year 3 - Aniyah Rae

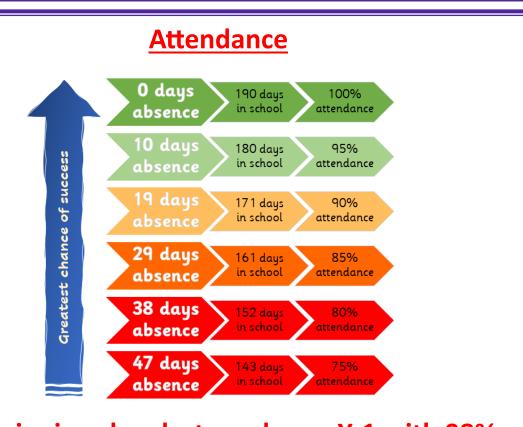
Year 4 - Amira

Year 5 - Asmaa

Year 6 - Alexandrea







Our winning class last week was Yr1 with 98% Our winning class this week was Yr6 with 99%





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Sport News at Welsh House Farm



We had a fantastic cup game vs St Michaels on Tuesday afternoon. There was real high level quality football on show. An outstanding last minute goal to send us through to the next round, winning the game 2-1.

On Thursday we had a whole day of wheelchair basketball this was enjoyed immensely by the whole school . The children learnt the value of inclusion and learnt how having a disability is a not a barrier to sport and how all sports are adapted.









Class News at Welsh House Farm

Reception

Reception have been reading 'The Enormous Turnip' and 'Oliver's Vegetable Soup' and so they made vegetable soup this week. They identified the different vegetables and chopped them up to make yummy soup which they enjoyed. Some children even had 3 helpings!























Class News at Welsh House Farm

<u>Year 3</u>

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Year 3 treated the whole school and their parents to a fabulous fun filled assembly.

They told us all about Diwali and we got to watch their dancing and listen to Dhol drumming.







A request from the school council

Donations please.

We are members of the school council. We are hoping to raise money for 'Children in Need'. We are running an art competition and would like some prizes for the best pieces. Do you have anything to donate for prizes? Do you know or run a company? Do you know or run a company that could donate prizes? If so, please hand it in to the office. Thank you parents, from our school council.

Please bring them in by Friday 10th <u>November</u>



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Welsh House Farm Community School's Parental Code of Conduct

Welsh House Farm Community School believes in respecting, valuing and caring for each member of the school community. Therefore, we believe Welsh House Farm Community School should be a safe and protective environment for all children, staff and parents. Consequently, the aim of the Parental Code of Conduct is to ensure that all members of the school community treat each other with respect in order to support the positive ethos of the school.

Parental Guidelines

In order to support a peaceful and safe school environment the school will not tolerate parents, carers or visitors exhibiting the following:

- Any inappropriate behaviour on the school premises.
- Using loud or offensive language or displaying temper.

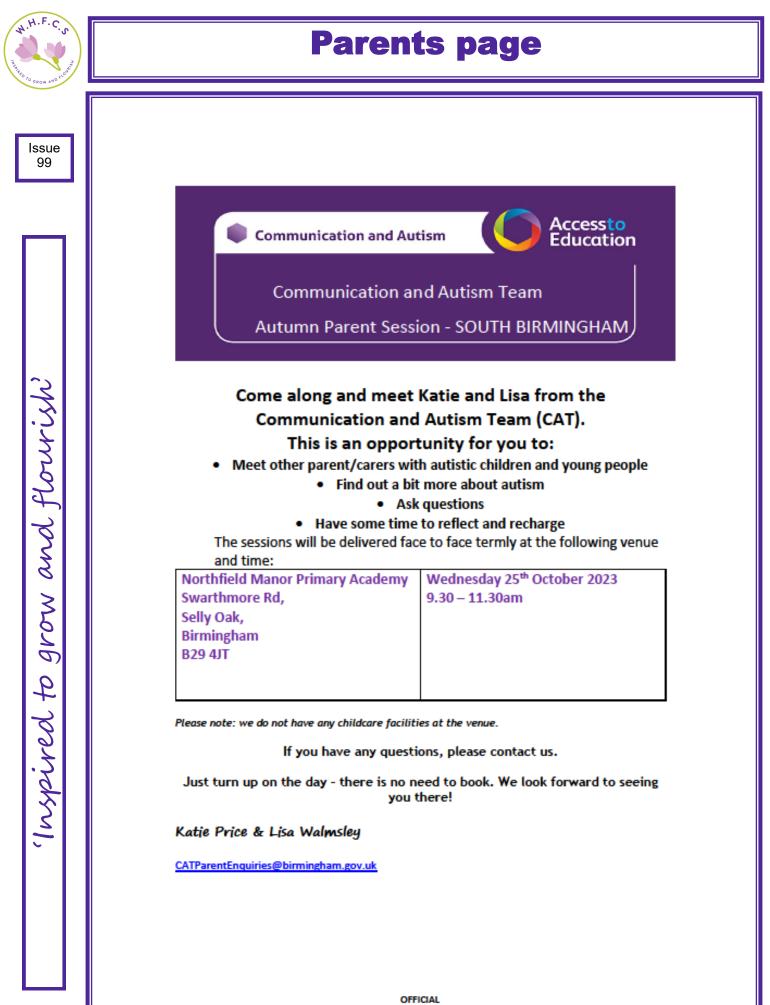
How the school will respond to unacceptable behaviour and conduct

Welsh House Community School reserves the right to take any necessary actions to ensure all members of the school community are not subject to abuse. Therefore the school will take the following actions if we feel any behaviour is deemed abusive:

- Should anyone exhibit any of the behaviours mentioned in parental guidelines; then the school will contact the appropriate authorities.
- The school also reserves the right to ban the offending adult from the school premises.

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Children's Speech and Language Therapy Mainstream Schools

Information for Families



There is a Speech and Language Therapist from Birmingham Community Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust working with your child's school.



The Speech and Language Therapist works with the school to support children's speech, language, and communication.



The Speech and Language Therapist may talk to your child's teachers or the school SENCO about your child, observe your child in class and offer advice to support your child. School will ask for your consent for this to happen.



School will ask for your consent if your child needs a Speech and Language Therapy assessment or ongoing support.

If you have any questions, please ask to talk to the school SENCO. If you would like Speech and Language Therapy advice, please phone the advice line on 0121 466 6231.





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Parents worried about mental health

New findings from Parentkind's #ParentVoiceReport2021 show that many parents are concerned about a range of mental health issues their children experience in schools, including exam stress, bullying and anxiety. Find out more here: https://bit.ly/3DN8zWM

Action for children

Advice and activities to support children and parents with their mental health and emotional wellbeing. https://parents.actionforchildren.org.uk/

<u>The Waiting Room</u> - Health and Wellbeing services at your finger tips – Birmingham & Solihull TWR provides an alternative approach to taking control of our own health and well-being. It is a virtual bridge across "The Information Chasm" that connects support services to the recipient almost inthe-waitingroom.org <u>https://the-waitingroom.org/</u>

Route 2 Wellbeing Birmingham

Welcome to route2wellbeing Birmingham – the definitive guide to local voluntary and community health and care services in Birmingham. Route2wellbeing makes it easy to find local services and activities that promote good health and wellbeing.

https://r2wbirmingham.info/home





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Arbor Parent Portal and App

Next week you will be sent a link to sign up to the Arbor Parent Portal and App. This will be new way of communicating with the school, updating your child's information and much more.

Look out for a letter that will be sent out soon with more details.

Applications for Year 7

It is now time to apply for your childs secondary school pace for Year7. the deadline is 31st October 2023. You can apply on line by using this website.

https://eadmissions.birmingham.gov.uk/ register_decision.php

Your local pantry







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Craft and Chatter Club

Welsh House Farm Big Local

Come and enjoy some knitting, crocheting, crafts, painting, drawing any creative activities, meet new people or just chat over a coffee or cuppa in a safe space.



Time: 10am - 12noon every Monday

For more information

Contact: Dadirai Tsopo - 07732679066

ATTENDANCE IS TOTALLY FREE!

Venue : Keystone Children's Centre, Purbeck Croft, Harborne, Birmingham, B32 2NL







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Every Monday morning from 10:00 am - 11:30 am

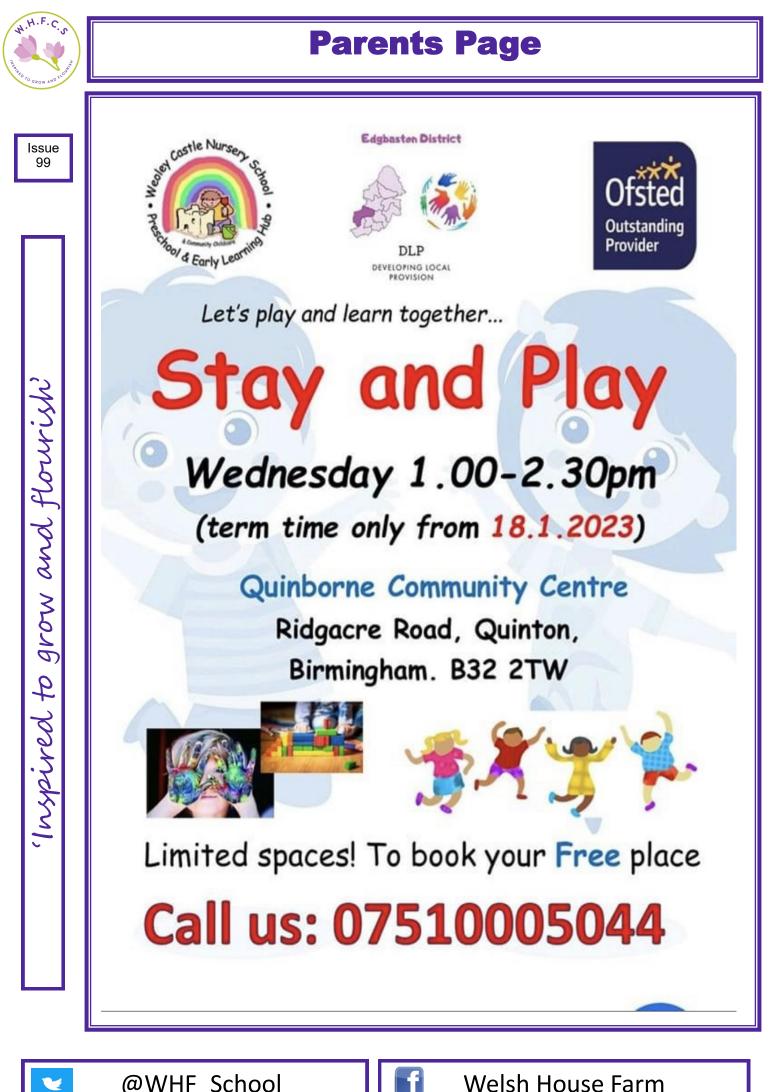
FREE TO ACCESS

Hot and cold refreshments Gadget charging station Secure Wi-Fi access Quinton Food bank referral Harborne councillor drop in surgery Community information signposting

ALL ARE WELCOME

Keystone Children Centre Purbeck Croft, Harborne, B32 2NL Contact: welshhousefarmcommunity@gmail.com 0121 427 4193







News from the local foodbanks

We have some important updates to share with you regarding our operations at Quinton and Oldbury Foodbank. As you know, we have been (currently) operating out of 2 distribution centres:

- St Boniface Church, Quinton Road West, Birmingham, B32 2QD
- The Coffee Shop, 151 Castle Road, Oldbury, B68 0EL

Our trustees and steering group, with guidance from Trussell Trust staff have been reflecting on our operations at both centres and have decided to make changes in how we operate. We believe these changes are needed to streamline our work and make our Food Bank more efficient and effective at serving our community.

<u>St Boniface Church</u> - We are continuing to operate our Wednesday Food Bank sessions at St Boniface on Wednesdays from 11am-1pm. We have seen significant increase in demand at St Boniface. In response to this, we will be launching an additional weekly session every Tuesday from 10am-12pm, starting from the 6th September.

<u>The Coffee Shop</u> - The Friday Food Bank session is stopping at this site on 26th August. The local demand for the provision of crisis food parcels has always been less than at St Boniface and the management of food donations and volunteer teams across 2 centres has been demanding. The physical layout of the Coffee Shop has presented us with additional difficulties to do with privacy and offering further support to Food Bank clients. However, the Coffee Shop is being re-launched as "*Brandhall Community Hub*" and will offer a variety of support to the local community. This will include a Local Pantry, a food membership club giving access to low-cost food, including fresh goods, in a shop format. The Local Pantry will work in partnership with the Food Bank to be another way to support local people in a managed way, allowing households to budget for the food they need. To help ensure that everyone who needs food aid support in the Brandhall area, we will be supplying emergency pre-packed parcels at the Coffee Shop on Friday, until the Local Pantry is launched. We will have information about the Local Pantry and how to become a member ready in September.

The nearest food banks in the Trussell Trust network to the Hub include:

- 1. Quinton and Oldbury Foodbank, St Boniface Church, B32 2QD (1 mile)
- 2. Smethwick, Holy Trinity Church B67 7AH (2 miles)
- 3. Handsworth, New Wesleyan Church, B21 OLA (3 miles)
- 4. Birmingham Central, Birmingham City Church, B1 3QQ (4 miles)