



WALLISDEAN JUNIOR SCHOOL

and Resourced Provision for Deaf Children and Children with Speech, Language and Communication Needs

Spring 1 Newsletter

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It's been a buzzing half term here at Wallisdean Juniors with all year groups engrossed in their new topics. Years 3 & 4 have been reading *The Iron Man* by Ted Hughes. This has inspired them into making Robots at home. Whilst visiting the lower school classrooms I've seen some of these Robots, they all looked very creative. In school the children have been making 'Early Warning Defence Devices'. These would be used to warn people the Iron Man was approaching. Next Term topic is European Contrasts. Look out for the Curriculum Newsletter next term.



Years 5 & 6 started the term looking at the book *Charlie and The Chocolate Factory* by Roald Dahl. This helped them with their ideas for creating their own Chocolate products. The products were made with Fair Trade Chocolate and sold a Chocolate Fair. The profits from the fair were a staggering £169.98! This money is being donated to the Fair Trade Foundation Charity. I wasn't lucky enough to sample the chocolate myself but I've been informed that it was delicious. Well done everyone!

I would like to thank all the parents that came along to their child's end of topic event. The children really love to showcase their work to parents.

I'm delighted to announce that after many months of consultation and governor meeting, I can confirm that Wallisdean Junior School and Wallisdean Infant & Pre-School have now officially Federated. As part of the Federation the schools have formed a joint Governing Body. The Governing Body will be chaired by Barry Harwood. Barry has been a Governor at the Infant school for many years.

At the end of the Spring Term we will be saying farewell to one of our Year 6 teachers, Mrs Shelley Rogers. Mrs Rogers joined us in September 2014 and has made a big impact on many children's learning. Mrs Rogers will be leaving us as she has secured a promotion as Curriculum and Year Leader at Locks Heath Junior School. We will be sorry to lose her but we wish her all the best for her future. Replacing Mrs Rogers in Class 8, will be Miss Kirsty Stronach. Miss Stronach is an experienced teacher who will continue the great work of Mrs Rogers.



Each half term we award a pupil with the 'Growth Mindset' award for showing a 'Can Do' attitude in their work. This term the award goes to Jodie in Year 6. Jodie always works hard at everything she does and doesn't give up on things she finds difficult. She is always ready to challenge herself by opting to take the more difficult work and she is a great role model for lower school in both her responsible behaviour and her smart appearance.

We hope you and your families have a wonderful half term. Lets hope we see some brighter days as we go into the second half of the Spring Term.

Sandra Cammish, Acting Executive Headteacher

Letters Sent Home this half term:

<u>Whole School</u>	<u>Lower School</u>	<u>Upper School</u>
Royal Mail Christmas Stamp Competition	Year 3/4 Iron Man Fair	Year 6 SATs Parent Meeting
Basketball After School Club	Year 3/4 SRE Parents Meeting	Year 5/6 Chocolate Fair
World Book Day Dress Up & £1 Book Token	Year 3/4/5 The Giant Sing	Year 5 Stubbington Residential

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2016/2017 Diary Dates

Please note: events that incur a cost will be marked with a **£**.

JANUARY	<p>12th: Year 6 SATs Meeting @ 9:00am</p> <p>26TH & 27TH: INSET DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS</p>
FEBRUARY	<p>7th: SAFER INTERNET DAY</p> <p>9th: Year 5 & 6 - Chocolate Fair @ 1:45pm to 2:30pm</p> <p>15th: Tony Charles - Magic Man (In school event for pupils)</p> <p>16th: Year 3 & 4 - Iron Man Show @ 2:30pm to 3:00pm</p> <p>17th: Tony Charles - Magic Man (In school event for pupils)</p> <p>20TH TO 24TH: HALF TERM HOLIDAY</p>
MARCH	<p>1st: Year 5 Move & Learn - 10 week course ran by Portsmouth Football Club</p> <p>2nd: World Book Day - Dress Up</p> <p>6th - 9th: YEAR 6 MOCK SATS</p> <p>10th: Christmas Stamp Design Competition Deadline</p> <p>13th: Parents Evening @ 3:30pm - 5:30pm</p> <p>15th: Parents Evening @ 4:00pm - 6:00pm</p> <p>24th: £ RED NOSE DAY - MESSY HAIR for £1</p>
APRIL	<p>10TH - 21ST: EASTER HOLIDAY</p> <p>26th: Year 6 Swimming Starts x 10 Weeks</p>
MAY	<p>8th - 11th: YEAR 6 SATS WEEK</p> <p>18th: Class/Leavers Photo Day</p> <p>29TH TO 2ND : HALF TERM HOLIDAY</p> <p>19th: £ Year 5 & 6 to Butser Ancient Farm</p>
JUNE	<p>13th: Competitive Sports Morning - More details to follow.</p> <p>15th Fun Sports Afternoon & Medal Ceremony - More details to follow.</p> <p>22nd: Year 2 Parents Meeting @ 6:00pm</p> <p>26th to 30th: Year 6 Bikeability Cycle Training</p>
JULY	<p>3rd - 7th: Transition Week - Year 6 to Fareham Academy</p> <p>4th & 5th: Project Day</p> <p>6th: Transition Day - All pupils in New Classes/Schools</p> <p>10th - 12th: Arts & Enterprise Activities</p> <p>12th: Arts & Enterprise Event @ 2:00pm to 3:00pm</p> <p>14th: WIS Carnival</p> <p>17th: Year 6 Leavers Service at St Johns Church @ 1:30pm</p> <p>20th: Parents Drop In & Report Collection/Sent Home @ 2:30pm - 3:15pm</p> <p>21st: Year 6 Leavers Assembly - Time TBC</p> <p>25TH: INSET DAY SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS</p>

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You can contact your child's class teacher on school-related matters directly by using their **first initial.surname@wallisdean-jnr.hants.sch.uk** for example Jon Smith, j.smith@wallisdean-jnr.hants.sch.uk

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