

# Wells-next-the-Sea Primary and Nursery School

## Newsletter

### 19<sup>th</sup> January 2017

#### Year 6



We have started on our topic studying the Maya civilisation of South America. They have also been considering the significance of prayer and meditation and we have enjoyed some class meditation sessions. In English the children have been deepening their understanding of poetry by looking closely at 'Overhead on a Saltmarsh' by Harold Munro.

**This week** year 6 went to the O2 arena in London to sing with nearly 8000 children from different schools across the UK. We travelled via coach with the year 6s from Burnham Market School. We saw the Olympic stadium and other famous landmarks. When we got off the bus we ate our lunch outside the O2 arena, we were lucky as it was a beautiful day and really sunny. After we had eaten we went inside the O2 to find our seats, we were on the highest balcony, and for some of us it was a bit scary. We rehearsed all afternoon with the other schools. Our conductor and the band were fantastic. Next it was time for everyone to have dinner, as the parents would be arriving soon to watch us perform. We were all back in our seats by 6 o'clock, everybody was very excited! At 7 o'clock the lights went down and our performance began. The atmosphere was amazing! We were lucky enough to have some famous acts performing with us, such as the world champion beat boxers, Natalie Wilson and lots more. The songs we sang were: Five guys named Moe, Birdhouse in your soul, over the hills, Stronger together and our favourite was Pop medley. We had an amazing time there. The concert finished at 9 o'clock. We all had to have a partner to walk back to the bus because there was so many people. We'd finally got past the crowds and got on the bus, luckily no one got lost. On the way back some of us tried to sleep

and the rest of us just told each other funny, scary or weird stories. We got back to school at about 12:20am and we were a little bit early (and some parents were late). Since it was Georgia's birthday we all sang happy birthday. Finally we all went home to bed. By Dysel and Reece



#### Year 5

This week in Year 5 there has been a series of little challenges. We have been solving a variety of different multiplication problems and are now beginning to understand mistakes are a good thing to learn from. As a class we are producing a shared leaflet to persuade other children to join Wells Primary School. It has been wonderful to hear them say such lovely things about school when planning the leaflet. We have also continued our research into the USA and have been looking at different physical and human features.



#### Year 4



Our History topic this half term is based on the Roman Invasion of Britain.

Connected with this we are reading 'The Roman Mysteries' by Caroline Lawrence. The stories follow the adventures of Flavia, a Roman girl who solves mysteries with her three friends, Nubia, Jonathan and Lupus. We have set ourselves a challenge to read as much as we can of the series of books and to pick out as many Roman facts as we can find.

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#### Year 3

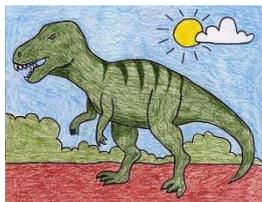
A warm welcome back to everyone, we hope you enjoyed your Christmas break! This week we have started our new topic 'Are you attractive enough?' focusing on magnets and forces. We have also introduced Maths monkey, who is looking forward to going on lots of adventures within the class and learning lots of maths!



#### Year 2

We have now moved on to working with arrays for the two times table. The children have been matching pictures of arrays to the correct multiplication number sentences.

In English, we have begun looking at a new book all about dinosaurs, getting ready for our trip to the Dinosaur Park just before the end of this half term. We have started off by reading the information section to do with Tyrannosaurus rex. The children enjoyed all the gory details set out in another section where T. rex tells the reader what it likes to eat!



#### Year 1

Our new topic is on animals and we have been retelling 'The Tiger who Came to Tea'. In Maths we have been visualising what 10 looks like and practising counting in 10's.



#### Nursery

This term the Nursery children are thinking about "How Things Move". We have started our topic looking at moving toys. The children have been very creative and found far more moving toys in the nursery than we realised we had!



#### Lost Property

We were left with a huge amount of unnamed and unclaimed property at the end of last term. Please make sure that all clothing is named clearly so that items can be returned to their rightful owner.



#### Panto

Just a gentle reminder to parents who have paid £5.00 towards their child's pantomime ticket, the outstanding balance of £5.00 is now due. Could I please request that you drop this off in the school office as soon as possible. Many thanks.

#### We are still growing.....

Due to the excellent work we are doing and the wonderful progress children are making more and more children are joining us from other schools.

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#### **BOOK YOUR PLACES NOW!**

If you know of any parents who are thinking of moving their child to Wells Primary and Nursery please tell them to do it soon or they may be disappointed. This is particularly important for Nursery places for September. Remember: Nursery places are FREE! In our recent parent survey (December 2016) 100% of parents said their child was happy at school.

#### **Diary Dates:-**

<b>Thur 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb</b>	<b>9.10 Yr 6 Class Assembly</b>
<b>Thur 9<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	<b>9.10 Yr 5 Class Assembly</b>
<b>Frid 10<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	<b>3.15pm School closes for Half-term holiday</b>
<b>Mon 20<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	<b>8.50am School re-opens</b>
<b>Thur 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb</b>	<b>9.10 Yr 4 class Assembly</b>
<b>Mon 27<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	<b>Parents' Evening 3.30-7.00pm</b>
<b>Tues 28<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	<b>Parents' Evening 3.30-7.00pm</b>
<b>Thur 2<sup>nd</sup> Mar</b>	<b>9.10 Yr 3 Class Assembly</b>
<b>Thur 9<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	<b>Griffin Puppet Assembly</b>
<b>Thur 16<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	<b>9.10 Yr 2 class Assembly</b>
<b>Thur 23<sup>rd</sup> Mar</b>	<b>9.10 Yr 1 Class Assembly</b>
<b>Thur 30<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	<b>9.10 Yr R Class Assembly</b>
<b>Frid 31<sup>st</sup> Mar</b>	<b>3.15pm School closes for Easter holiday</b>
<b>Tues 18<sup>th</sup> Apr</b>	<b>8.50am School re-opens</b>
<b>Mon 1<sup>st</sup> May</b>	<b>School closed for May Bank Holiday</b>
<b>Frid 26<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>3.15pm School closes for Half-term Holiday</b>
<b>Mon 5<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>8.50am School re-opens</b>
<b>Fri 28<sup>th</sup> June –</b>	
<b>Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> July</b>	<b>Book Fair in School</b>
<b>Mon 17<sup>th</sup> July-</b>	
<b>Frid 21<sup>st</sup> July</b>	<b>Woodland week</b>
<b>Frid 21<sup>st</sup> July</b>	<b>3.15pm School closes for Summer holidays</b>