

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

## Newsletter

### 26<sup>th</sup> May 2016

#### Year 6

Well done to our swimmers who represented the school brilliantly in the Aquathlon on Monday. Thank you also to the parent helpers who went along. Your support is very much appreciated.



We have been out in the woods looking at flowering plants again this week. The children have been using Mr Hadley's beautiful new flower guides to identify some of the plants that they found. They then used Excel to create pie charts showing their results.

In maths, the children have been measuring themselves (and each other) and finding patterns and relationships in the measurements. We are all looking forward to our 'Fun on the Water' day which will be on the first Friday after the holiday. Please make sure that any outstanding forms are returned to school on Monday 6th. Have a great Half-Term break!



#### Year 5

We have been working hard on making bug hotels in the last fortnight and have finally positioned our bug hotel 'complex' at the end of the school field. If you have any time, please take a wander to see whether any residents have moved in !!!



#### Year 4

First of all we have had a great half term, and I would like to thank all the children for their hard work. When we come back we will be looking at our next big questions, which are; 'How would we survive without water?' and 'How could we cope without electricity?'. If you could begin to explore these ideas with your children over half term that would be brilliant. Finally I would like to



end by telling you that I will be leaving Wells-Next-the-Sea at the end of this academic year for a new job at Gresham's Pre-Preparatory school. Thank you to all the parents and children I have worked with over the past two years, I have thoroughly enjoyed working with you all.

#### Year 3

Last week we had a great time at Salle and although the weather was not

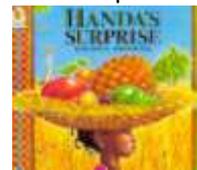


wonderful, we missed most of the rain. The children particularly enjoyed seeing the gundogs, the hound puppies and the Shetland Ponies from Redwings.

A reminder for you all that Y3's next Story Café is on Monday 6th June, the first day of the next half-term, from 2 – 3pm. We look forward to seeing you there.

#### Year 2

This week Yr 2 have been doing a story writing workshop. We are writing a version of the story "Handa's Surprise". This time, however, we have set it in this country, using apples, plums and pears. What animals will steal the fruit while we are walking through the woods? What will the surprise be?



#### Year 1

This week we have been answering the questions 'can I retell the Christian Story of creation?' And 'can I understand that other creation stories exist?' In Literacy we have been practicing writing independently, applying skills we have learnt throughout the half-term.



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#### **Internet Safety**

As I am sure you are all aware internet Safety is of the utmost importance to us here at school and for you as parents. It is good practice to have full access to your child's computer and all networking sites, and to ensure that parental controls are placed on all iPads, Phones and Internet use at home. Here at school, we have become aware of some children accessing inappropriate content on social networking sites at home. Whilst we would hate to curtail the use of computers, as responsible staff and parents we cannot be too vigilant and realise how vulnerable we all are, adults and children alike. If you are at all concerned please get in touch with our local PSCO for advice and help. Working together we can keep your child safe.

My final newsletter and what a week it has been culminating in a wonderful party last night for my team and colleagues.

The children's assembly was both touching and aspirational. They sang their hearts out! A big thank you for all your kindness and support during the past few years. I have been privileged to share your child's learning journey and be a part of your community. I wish you every good wish for their future.

**Janet Lavender**  
**Associate Headteacher**

There will be **no** clubs on the week beginning 5<sup>th</sup> June 2016 **apart from Street Dance and Music.**

**Could all books borrowed from Angie Barker our Cluster Parent Support Advisor be returned to her by 1st July please. Thank you.**

#### **\*\*\*Diary Date**

##### **Grandparent's Afternoon**

On Friday June 10<sup>th</sup> we will be having a Celebration of the Queen's birthday to which you are all cordially invited to spend the afternoon in the classes with us. More information on a separate letter.