

# Wells Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

The first few weeks of the new school year have flown by and I would like to thank you all for your support and positivity despite the changes and the recent building works. I am pleased to report the roofing works have now been completed and the scaffolding will be taken down next weekend.

## Reading

Reading workshops for parents and carers of pupils in **Nursery, Reception and KS1** are taking place next week – **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October**. Please sign up if you have not already done so.

## PTA

We are fortunate that we have a very active and hardworking PTA who give their time to raise much needed funds for the school. The PTA AGM will be held on **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October at 8pm**, in the school hall. Everyone is welcome to attend this. If you would like to get involved in any way, please do get in touch.

## Attendance

Each week we report and congratulate classes with the highest attendance; well done to Reception 1 and Class 6 who were joint winners with 100% for the week ending 15<sup>th</sup> September. Class 7 were the winners for week ending 22<sup>nd</sup> September with 99.7% attendance.

## Value of the Month

The value of the month of October is Diversity; we shall be exploring and considering its meaning and celebrating diversity within our school community. October is also Black History Month; the theme this year is 'Saluting our Sisters'. It is aimed at honouring all the remarkable Black women who have made and are still making a difference in our society.

## School Council and Eco Council

Pupils from Year 2 to Year 6 are currently in the process of voting for an Eco Council and School Council class representative. I look forward to announcing the team for 2023-2024 next week!

## Parking

Unfortunately we are still receiving a number of complaints about cars parking illegally in Aldeburgh Place and Barclay Oval. Thank you to the vast majority of parents who walk their children to school. I please ask that parents make every effort to park considerably away from the school gates so that children can walk safely to school. One of our school development priorities is to further embed and teach the children about being more environmentally aware and we will be continuing to encourage children to walk, cycle or scoot to school where possible.



### **Lost property**

There already seems to be lots of lost property. Please ensure that your child's clothing is labelled so that we can return any lost items.

### **Universal Free School Meals / Families on low incomes**

As you are aware, **all** primary school pupils in London boroughs are now eligible for free school meals this year, regardless of income. If however, you are on a low income, you may qualify for other support. Please see the link included and apply if you think you meet the criteria <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>.

### **School Applications**

Just another reminder that the deadline for **secondary school applications for children in Year 6 is 31st October 2023**. To avoid disappointment, you must apply by this date. Online applications and further information can be found at: <https://www.redbridge.gov.uk/schools/secondary-school-admissions/>

The deadline for applications for **children entering Reception in September 2024 is 15th January 2024**. Please remember that a Nursery place does not guarantee a school place. Online applications and further information can be found at: <https://www.redbridge.gov.uk/schools/primary-school-admissions/>

Please find attached some dates for your diary.

Thank you for your continued support. I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely,

Debbie Franklin  
Head teacher

## Autumn Term 2023 Diary Dates

<b>Monday 2nd October</b>	Reading Workshop for parents of pupils in Years 1 and 2 2pm or 5pm
<b>Tuesday 3rd October</b>	Reading Workshop for parents of pupils in Early Years 2pm or 5pm
<b>Friday 6th October</b>	Harvest Festival – assembly for pupils
<b>Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October 8pm</b>	PTA AGM
<b>Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October</b> <b>Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October</b> <b>Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Class 8 trip to St Paul’s Cathedral Class 9 trip to St Paul’s Cathedral Class 7 trip to St Paul’s Cathedral
<b>10<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Wells Book Fair – Book sale 3pm in the school hall
<b>Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Woodbridge High School meeting with Parents in Year 6 – 5:30pm
<b>Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October 8:30am</b>	Coffee Morning organised by the PTA in support of Macmillan Cancer Support– all welcome.
<b>Week beginning Monday 16th October</b>	Parent/Carer consultations (On-line) More details to follow separately
<b>Tuesday 17th October</b>	Individual photos for all pupils More details to follow separately
<b>Friday 20th October</b>	School closes for half term
<b>Monday 30th October</b>	Staff Training Day
<b>Tuesday 31st October</b>	School reopens for pupils
<b>Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November</b>	Flu immunisation for pupils in Reception to Year 6. Please complete the form sent previously if you have not done so already.

Further details for specific events will follow separately.