

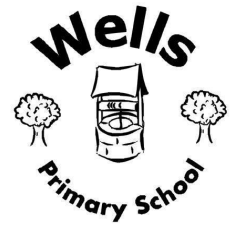
# Wells Primary School

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Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Just an update, I am delighted to inform you Ms Christodoulou had a baby boy last month; mother and baby are both doing well.

## Attendance

Each week, we celebrate and congratulate the classes with the highest attendance. Well done to **Class 2, Class 3, Class 5, Class 6, and Class 7**, who have all met our school target of **above 97% attendance** this academic year. Good attendance is essential for helping children succeed at school. At Wells, we want every child to thrive, and develop consistent and strong attendance habits. We need your support to ensure every child has the opportunity to be successful.

## Value of the Month

The value of the month for November is Responsibility. Throughout the month, we will explore what responsibility means, why it matters, and how we can show it in our everyday lives; we shall be exploring and considering its meaning within our school community.

The value of the month for December will be Peace; we will be exploring and considering its meaning within our school community throughout the rest of this term.

## School Applications

The deadline for applications for **children entering Reception in September 2026 is 15th January 2026**. 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/school-admissions/apply-to-start-primary-school/>

## Christmas Service at All Saints

Many of you will be aware that every year we have a Christmas service at All Saints Church. Children from Reception to Year 6 will be attending and taking part. The service will take place on the **9<sup>th</sup> of December at 9:30 am**. Parents and carers are welcome to attend the service.

## PTA Christmas Market

Our PTA Christmas Market will take place on **Saturday 13th December, from 11:00–3:00**. We're excited for a festive day and are grateful to our fantastic PTA volunteers for all their hard work in preparing this event and supporting our school. We are still taking donations for the rainbow raffle. The PTA will collect these donations on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November.



The children have each created their own festive decorations, which will be available to purchase at the market. This stall is run by school staff; please come and support us. If you're unable to attend, you can still purchase your child's decoration from their class teacher, however we hope you can join us we look forward to seeing you there.

On Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December, children are invited to wear a Christmas jumper and we are kindly asking for donations for the tombola stall. (A bottle of drink or chocolates)

### **Book Wish List**

This winter, we're creating a refreshed Book Wish List for families who would like to donate a book to school. Following our successful book fair, we've already used some of our Scholastic rewards to purchase new *own voices* titles, supporting our current focus on diversifying the books children see and share. We are also continuing auditing our classroom collections to ensure every child can find stories that reflect their experiences, and broaden them. If you'd like to support this ongoing work, you can browse and purchase directly from our Winter Wish List, please see link below.

<https://shop.scholastic.co.uk/wishlists/5220291>.

Every donation is greatly appreciated; the books purchased through Scholastic are added to our classrooms and also earn the school additional rewards. All purchases are made securely online and delivered directly to school after the Christmas break.

### **Home learning tasks**

Many parents have requested additional learning tasks for phonics, reading and maths. We have uploaded a selection of resources that we use in school, which may be helpful for supporting learning at home.

Please feel free to take a look on the school's website or use the link below.

<https://www.wellsprimary.co.uk/page/?title=Home+Learning&pid=65>

### **MyHappyMind**

This term, our MyHappyMind lessons and assemblies have focused on supporting children's mental health, wellbeing, and personal development. The program helps children manage their emotions, develop a positive mindset by understanding their character strengths, and building social skills. After enjoying the first unit, *Meet My Brain*, we are now exploring *Celebrate*, where children are learning about what makes them unique, recognising their strengths, and understanding how this can help them feel confident and positive about themselves. For more information see the link below.

<https://www.wellsprimary.co.uk/news/?pid=9&nid=1&storyid=21>

### **Instagram**

Stay connected with all the exciting learning and activities happening at our school! Follow us on Instagram for regular updates, photos, and glimpses into daily school life. It's a great way to see what your children are getting up to and stay involved in our school community. Follow us at:

[@wellsprimaryschool](https://www.instagram.com/wellsprimaryschool)

### **Lost property**

A little reminder - please label all of your child's belongings. The school is a very busy place and it is much easier for us to return lost belongings when they are labelled.

Please find attached some dates for your diary for the rest of the autumn term.

Thank you for your continued support and we look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the upcoming events.

Yours sincerely,

Debbie Franklin  
Head teacher

### Autumn Term 2025 Diary Dates

<b>Monday 24<sup>th</sup> November – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November</b>	Bikeability Training – Year 6
<b>Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December</b>	Reception Forest Trip at 12:45pm
<b>Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December</b>	All Saints Carol Service at 9:30am - For pupils in Reception to Year 6 (All parents and carers invited to attend)
<b>Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Year 2 Nativity Performance at 9:00am
<b>Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Year 4 Pantomime Trip at 11:00am
<b>Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Year 6 Maths Parent Workshop at 8:45am
<b>Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Year 1 Nativity Performance at 9:00am
<b>Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Year 3 Pantomime Trip at 11:00am
<b>Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Christmas Lunch (Christmas Jumper Day!) *If possible, please bring a donation for the Tombola raffle.
<b>Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Last day of extra curriculum clubs
<b>Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> December</b>	PTA Christmas Market from 11:00am – 3:00pm
<b>Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Year 3 and Year 4 Maths Parent Workshop at 8:45am
<b>Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Year 5 and Year 6 Movie Night at 4:30pm – 6:30pm
<b>Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Reception Performance at 9:00am
<b>Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Nursery Performance at 10:30am
<b>Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Year 1 and Year 2 Maths Parent Workshop at 2:15pm
<b>Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Year 3 and Year 4 Movie Night at 4:30pm – 6:30pm
<b>Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December</b>	School closes at 3:00pm – No after school clubs
<b>Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January</b>	School reopens for pupils

Further details for specific events will follow separately.