

# WHAT'S ON AT WIDEWELL

Widewell Primary Academy Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers

It has been great to see so many of you at Parents Evenings this week. If you didn't manage to make an appointment, there is still time to contact the office or go online and come into school this evening to meet with your children's class teachers. Please make the time if you possibly can so you can see how well your children have already done this year and what they need to work on now for the rest of this term and into the summer. Your support is invaluable and makes a real difference to your children's success.

**Some money was found by the school gate on Wednesday evening and handed in to me. If you know you lost some money last night please contact the school office letting them know how much you lost. I would like to commend and thank Evie Anderson in Y6 for her honesty in immediately handing in the money she found. Well done Evie.**

We have two teams of Y6 girls representing the school in the Youth Speaks public speaking competition in school on Friday. The winning team will then progress to the next stage of the competition on Saturday at Plymouth High School for Girls. Good luck to all the girls involved who have worked very hard in preparing and adapting their speeches in their own time ready for the competition. I would also like to thank Mrs Kerr for rehearsing the teams in her free time to ensure they are ready.

Kind regards

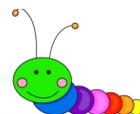


Cup winners	3.2.17	10.2.17
Friendship Trophy	Molly Uren	Charlie Campbell Jayden Collins
Courtesy Cup	Finlay Anstey	Isabelle Hodges Missi-Miami Horrell
Perseverance Trophy	Cameron Doyle-Bird Sophia Stewart	Kiara Tabb Sarah Davies
Attendance Award	Y6 Falcon Class	Y5 Kestrel Class
Class Cup	Y5 Kestrel Class	Y5 Kestrel Class
House Cup	Bigbury	Bigbury

## Hungry Caterpillar News

Our new Spring/Summer menu launched this week and the children have been enjoying tasting the yummy new meals. In school we are very keen to find out your views on food within school as we strive to provide healthy, nutritious and delicious food. I have sent out a Pupil Food Questionnaire with this newsletter and paper copies are available in the entrance to the office in school. We are very keen to improve and develop so any feedback is welcomed.

In the Hungry Caterpillar Club this week, we have been planting more seeds. At the moment we have various herbs, spinach and salad in the green house and our potatoes are chitting on the windowsill. We are planning on hosting a community Dig It Day on Monday 13th March so if people would like to come into school to help with our community garden, please come and speak to Mrs Gifford or Mrs Pearce. All help would be gratefully received!



## Key Dates for 2017

23 Feb Parents Evening

2 Mar World Book Day

22 Mar Y3/4/5 Performance 2pm and 6pm

24 Mar Open afternoon 2.30pm

31 Mar 1.15pm End of Term 4

18 Apr Non Pupil Day

19 Apr 8.45am Start of Term 5

28 Apr Y3 Class assembly 2.30pm

19 May Foundation class assembly 2.30pm

26 May 3.30pm End of Term 5

5 Jun 8.45am Start of Term 6

7 Jun Sports Day

30 Jun Y4 Class assembly 2.30pm

7 Jul Reports to parents

14 Jul Open afternoon 2.30pm

21 Jul 1.15pm End of Term 6

25 Jul Non Pupil Day



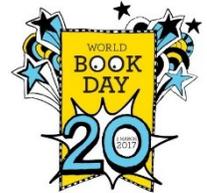
## Reading at Widewell



### Book and Bake Sale Success!

A huge thank you to everyone who supported our recent Book and Bake Sale. Hundreds of pre-loved books found new homes and the cakes and cookies were enjoyed by many. Our star cake eventually went for £10 – a special thank you to the creator and the recipient. Many people made donations of books, cakes, money and time so that we can purchase some soft furnishings for our new library. We raised £300 and will be asking the children to make suggestions about what to spend it on in the next couple of weeks.

### World Book Day – Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March



It's time to dress up as your favourite book characters again! Will you be the Worst Witch, the Gruffalo or Harry Potter? You might be an amazing Gangsta Granny, Batman or Little Red Riding Hood? The possibilities are endless. Every child will be given a £1 book voucher. This can be used in participating book shops as a money off voucher or in exchange for a £1 World Book Day book. Alternatively, you could use the voucher at our school book fair the following week (see below). For more ideas about what to wear, extra competitions and a list of the £1 books visit: [www.worldbookday.com](http://www.worldbookday.com)

### Book Fair and Competition

To coincide with World Book Day we have invited the Scholastic book fair back to school. We appreciate that this is taking place within a month of our Book and Bake Sale but hope that you will be able to support us. You can do this for free by entering our competitions. We have 5 £5 vouchers to spend at the book fair. All your child has to do is design a book cover for their favourite book. We are looking for creative and imaginative ideas (not a copy of the original). It could be a collage, painting, created on a computer, photographs and so on. Please make sure your child's name and class are on the back. The deadline for all entries is Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March. Winners will be informed during assembly on Thursday afternoon.

### Ten Million Minutes Reading Challenge



We will also be taking part in the Ten Million Minutes reading challenge while our book fair is in school. This event runs across the country for one week only (9<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> March) and encourages children to read as much as possible. Each day, they bring their Ten Million Minutes bookmark to school, noted with the number of minutes spent reading. This data is added to the organiser's website and the school that spends the most time reading can win a £10000 library makeover. The children will find out more about this in the next week. Every child who takes part will receive a reading Challenge bookmark and we will award a prize to the children from infants and juniors with the most minutes.



**Year 6 dressed in Greek chitons**



### 'Story Book Waves'

If you have a RN & RM family member who is on deployment, going on deployment or away weekly do you fancy recording a story for your little one to listen to whilst you are away. We have booked Aggies to come in on Wednesday 1st March from 1pm to 3pm (20 min slots available). They record you reading a story to your child which is then played to them when you are away so they hear your voice and enjoy a story read by their parent. A medal and a free book is given to the child.

For more information or to book a slot please call Jenn Collings on 07467 959365 or email her on [jenn.arkcommunityproject@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:jenn.arkcommunityproject@hotmail.co.uk).

### Scout and Guides 2017 Gang Show

The Plymouth Gang Show has been running for more than 30 years. It gives youngsters from Plymouth Guiders and Scouts the opportunity to perform in a production which is performed in front of the public at a professional theatre. The youngest performers are 5 years old and there are some performers that have been involved in Scouting or Guiding for 50 years! The show includes, songs dances and sketches from films and stage shows.

Show dates as follows

Thursday 30th March, Friday 31st March at 7.30pm and Saturday 1st April at 2.30pm and 7.30pm, prices are £9 adult and £7 child.

For more information or to buy tickets, please call 07810 880536

### Year 6

Thank you to everyone that donated sheets to help Year 6 make Greek chitons.

The children were great at helping each other make and decorate their outfits and as you can see from the pictures the children looked great all dressed up.

### Kick Start Fat Loss Plymouth

Classes are held in the school hall every Wednesday evening from 6.30pm.

Kick Start Fat Loss consists of a healthy, easy to follow diet and detox plan, eliminating addictive processed food, detoxifying the body enabling you to burn more fat, have tons more energy, become slimmer, leaner and mentally on top of your game..

Classes include

- ◆ Weekly weigh in, measure and body stat recording
- ◆ 28 day detox diet plan
- ◆ 30 minute fat burning workout
- ◆ 15 minute educational and motivational talk
- ◆ Online workouts, meal planners and recipes
- ◆ Mindset and confidence coaching

Contact Tracy on 07795260374 email [tracy@classichealthandfitness.co.uk](mailto:tracy@classichealthandfitness.co.uk)

Visit [www.weightlossplymouth.co.uk](http://www.weightlossplymouth.co.uk)

## School Bank

There will be no school bank on Tuesday 28th February.

## Empty egg boxes

If anyone has any empty egg boxes, could they please send them into school for Foundation Class.

