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Welcome back and welcome to new staff

We do hope that you have had a great Easter holiday and we are delighted to welcome all families back to school this week. A special welcome to Miss Beard, our new Year 4 teacher and to Miss Craske, our new Year R teacher working with Mrs Beck. We are so pleased to have you back on the teaching team here and wish you a great term with us. Roll on some sunshine for the Summer Term! May I remind you that in the interim period as we appoint new permanent staff, Mrs Beck is our Acting-Deputy Headteacher (5 days a week) and myself, Mrs Stroulger, am here at least 3 days a week (Monday-Wednesday). Please do catch Mrs Beck or myself on the gate if you would like a chat about anything or email myself on head@wells-next-the-sea.norfolk.sch.uk on days I am not here.

New Term Reminders

As we start a new term there are a few things that we'd like to remind families about – many thanks for your cooperation with these:

- 1) **Ordering Lunches** - Lunches should be ordered by parents/carers on Scopay. This can be done until 8.30 am on the day that lunch is required. Children should not be routinely ordering their lunch in the classroom. Lunches should only be ordered in the classroom or school office in exceptional circumstances.
- 2) **Start and End of the School Day** - The school gates open at 8.30am - Children enter school for registration at 8.45am, and finish at 3.15pm. Regular lateness makes it very difficult for teachers to begin the school day promptly so we kindly ask for you to make sure your children arrive on time. Phonics starts promptly as soon as the children are in school and this is a vital part of the school day, which we do not want children to miss.
- 3) **Illness/Collection** - Please telephone or Dojo the school office, not your class Teacher/TA if your child is ill or you need to change the time of collection, person collecting or to let us know that your child will be late. Teachers and TAs can often miss messages through the school day as they are teaching, so please contact the school office to make sure your message is received. The answerphone is checked very regularly throughout the day so please do leave a message if we are unable to answer your call.
- 4) **Parking** - There are an increasing number of cars parking outside the school on the double yellow and zigzag lines, and in the turning circle. This is a very real risk to families trying to safely walk in and out of the school, as well as stopping the buses from safely collecting children. Please do not use the staff car park at any time - Parking is available along Polka Road and in the Co-Op car park.

New Ultimate Frisbee After-school Club

Active Education will be running an Ultimate Frisbee After-school club every Monday from 3.15-4.15pm instead of Kwik Cricket for this half term. It will begin next Monday, 22nd April and is open to Years 2-6. There are still some spaces available to book on Scopay.

PE Kits

There are lots of children not wearing our correct PE kit. This should be black shorts or sports trousers, and a t-shirt or polo which is either white or the colour of their house team. Shoes need to be either sports trainers or black plimsolls.

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PFA Bags for Schools

Please bring in your Bags for School donations on Thursday 25th April in the morning and take directly to the canteen, many thanks for your support.

OFSTED and school questionnaires for parents' views

Thank you so much for attending parent's evenings and SEND parent's appointments - we do hope that you found them useful and informative. As always, we really value your feedback and ideas related to our school so I would really appreciate if you could take the time to complete the OFSTED parents view on this link:

<https://www.wensumtrust.org.uk/wells-next-the-sea/information/ofsted>

These OFSTED forms are not that detailed, so again if you could complete our bespoke Wells Nursery and Primary School questionnaire:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1F2cCdTuZDJcS9Uml2a6Z6Ad1KV3P-txuxHPvPH-ppl/edit>

I would very much appreciate it. I will read and evaluate all answers and we very much appreciate you taking the time to complete them. All analysis will be fed back on the newsletter, as soon as we have had a number of parents respond, otherwise it will not generate any data to analyse. Many thanks for your support in this matter.

Values Awards

Reception	Casen, for showing pride at forming your number 3's correctly
Year 1	Cassielle you were very nervous about feeding the sheep and goats, but you overcame your fear and did it. You should be very proud of yourself, well done!
Year 2	Merryn, for showing pride in your work in PE. You worked well in a team and you were really proud that you helped your team.
Year 3	Erin, for coming back to school and taking a real pride in your work and completing tasks to the best of your ability
Year 4	Ella, for taking your time to complete your work and producing a great piece of work.
Year 5	Betty-Louisa, for taking pride in all of your work and any tasks in school.
Year 6	Caris, for taking great pride in your work and achievements.

Good Work Awards

Reception	Harry, for drawing a very detailed self-portrait.
Year 1	Scarlet, you worked really hard in Maths building 2 digit numbers using Dienes, and showing the 10s and 1s.
Year 2	Tara, for writing a fantastic poem about eels! You worked hard to include lots of ideas and put in so much effort to make it look amazing!
Year 3	Penelope for trying really hard with your English in particular this week and completing some great work.

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Year 4	Ashton, for working hard to make a poster for your invention and sharing it with the class.
Year 5	Felix and Dino for having a great attitude to Maths and working hard. Well done!
Year 6	Liam, for listening carefully and making an effort to produce work of a high quality.

2024 Term dates for 2023-2024 <https://www.wensumtrust.org.uk/wells-next-the-sea/parents-and-carers/term-dates>

6th May Bank Holiday

7th May Bikeability training for Y3 & 4

13th -16th May -Y6 SATS

20th-24th May Work Week

24th May Last day of Half Term

3rd June First Day of Half Term

10th-12th June Y6 Residential trip

2nd July Sports Day

3rd/4th/5th July Transition Days to APHS for Year 6, all year groups move classes

10th July Reserve Sports Day

19th July Last Day of Summer Term

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