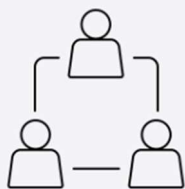




March Newsletter 2025



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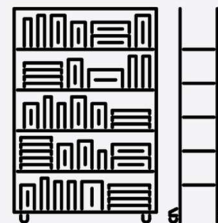
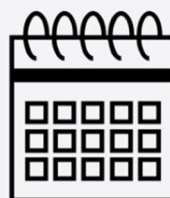
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A huge thank you to all those families who supported our World Book Day by joining us for our celebration poetry recital. It was great to see so many of you there supporting our children and sharing their excellent work.

Next week, we look forward to welcoming you back into school, first for our two Parent Consultation evenings on **Tuesday 1st April (3.30**

– 7pm) and Thursday 3rd April (3.30 – 5pm) and then for our end of term music concert.

As always, children's books will be available for you to see in their classrooms and appointments for KS2 will take place in our Art Room upstairs, while appointments for our infant and EYFS pupils will take place in the end classroom (nearest the road) downstairs.

Don't forget that our end of term music concert day, children are invited to wear school uniform – if they wish. Children are welcome to wear clothes that they feel comfortable performing in, though we would ask that what they choose to wear is suitable for a day in school - no bare midriffs or 'short shorts', please.



As many of you will be aware, next half term will be Mrs Best's last one at Wyton on the Hill Primary.

Sadly, all good things must come to an end and Mrs Best's time as a Teaching Assistant here really has been one of the best things about our school.

Many children – and adults – have benefitted from Mrs Best's exceptional support, kindness and expertise over the past 30 years at Wyton. However, she is quickly approaching a well-earned retirement – though she will still be working hard in her voluntary capacity as a well-respected and much-loved scouting leader.

We will be making the most of our last half term with Mrs Best as part of team Wyton and feel proud and privileged that she has chosen to stay with us for so long. Her last day will be Thursday 22nd May.



We are delighted that after Easter, we will be letting two of our rooms during the school day to NurtureSpace, run by our colleague, Ruth Moor.

Many of you as parents will know Ruth Moor, who has been working with us since September to develop our Special Educational Needs provision and practice since our highly-skilled and much-loved SENDCo, Tracey Green, retired in August.

Ruth's inspirational expertise in Nurture provision, therapeutic play and coaching has transformed our provision for both pupils with special / additional educational needs and those who are undergoing significant life changes, including transition. Her unique blend of knowledge and understanding has made her an invaluable part of our school community and her pupil-centred, evidence-based approach is helping us to create inclusive spaces where all children can enjoy learning to be the best they can be.

While continuing her work with our school, we are delighted that after Easter, Ruth's company Nurture Space, will be leasing two of our unused rooms at the far end of the school to develop their 1:1 provision for pupils with special educational or additional needs who are struggling with mainstream schooling so that they can be successfully returned to their own settings.

The business will run entirely separately from our school, having been annexed by electronic fob access, with its own entrance and exit and pick up and drop off times which do not coincide with our own, but will bring huge benefits to the school, not least the income from the letting as we continue to try to manage the costs of our enormous building within the constraints of our ever-diminishing budget.

All Ruth's safeguarding policies and procedures, including those around safer recruitment, are fully aligned with the school's and, as an ex-headteacher herself, Ruth is well aware that our pupils' well-being is paramount.

Should you have any questions about our agreement with Nurture Space, please do not hesitate to contact me via email.



Rights Respecting and Eco-Schools Council news...

Our School Council sub-committees continue to work on our three main projects for this year: developing our school garden, keeping our school environment free from litter and making sure our school toilets are the best they can be for everyone.

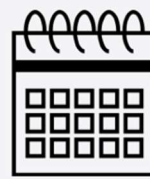
Following suggestions from our whole school suggestion box, they are also planning a special board games day for next half term to raise funds for children across the UK who do not have access to games. This day will take place next half term – watch this space for details in April's newsletter.



Governing Body news...

This half term, with the financial year-end rapidly approaching, our Governing Body has been working hard on plans to ensure our school remains economically viable for the next 3 years.

They have also been reviewing performance data and SEN processes across the school.

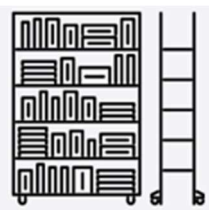


Dates for your diaries...

Our online calendar is by far the best way to keep up to date with upcoming school events. The link to our online calendar for parents is here: <https://teamup.com/ksqgqu66iy6t7uiyt3>

School Events upcoming:

- **Tuesday 1st April (3.30 – 7pm) and Thursday 3rd April (3.30 – 5pm)**
- **Friday 4th April – end of term music concert 9.15am and non-uniform (not dress-up) day and break up for Easter**
- **Wednesday 23rd April – children back to school**
- **Monday 12th – Thursday 15th May – Year 6 SATs week**



Local Library opening times...

Don't forget that our local libraries are open again this year (opening times below) and don't forget that the mobile library service stops at Wyton on the Hill, on the main road just outside the school on the 3rd Wednesday of every month between 3.05pm and 3.40pm.

For details on how to access the mobile library service, please use this link:

<https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/libraries-leisure-culture/libraries/visit-a-library/mobile-libraries>

St Ives Library:

Opening time notes

Closed on bank holidays.

Opening times

Monday: 9.30am – 7pm

Tuesday: 9.30am – 5pm

Wednesday: 9.30am – 5pm

Thursday: 9.30am – 1pm

Friday: 9.30am – 5pm

Saturday: 9.30am – 4pm

Sunday: Closed

Availability: All Year

For further information, including directions, please visit:

<https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/directory/listings/st-ives-library>

Huntingdon Library:

Opening time notes

Closed on bank holidays and between Christmas and New Year.

Opening times

Monday: 9.30am – 5pm

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Wednesday: 9.30am – 7pm

Thursday: 9.30am – 1.30pm

Friday: 9.30am – 5pm

Saturday: 10am – 4pm

Sunday: Closed

Availability: All Year

For further information, please visit:

<https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/directory/listings/huntingdon-library-and-archives>

For further information about other local libraries, please follow this link:
<https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/libraries-leisure-culture/libraries/visit-a-library/your-library>

And finally...

As always, please do not hesitate to contact me with any queries, concerns or suggestions you may have regarding any aspect of school life. I am

always happy to meet via telephone, Zoom or in person – or you can always catch me on the playground first thing every morning.

Should you need to contact your child's class teacher, please email using the contact details below and they will get back to you as soon as possible.

Years 5&6 Koi Class - Mrs Ballester:

lballester@wyton.cambs.sch.uk

Years 3&4 Blue Tang Class - Miss Mitchell:

tmitchell@wyton.cambs.sch.uk

Year 2&3 Salmon Class – Mrs Phillips:

head@wyton.cambs.sch.uk

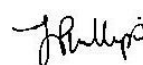
Years 1&2 Rainbow Fish Class - Mrs Giddings:

kgiddings@wyton.cambs.sch.uk

Angel Fish Reception Class:

lpugh@wyton.cambs.sch.uk

Best wishes,



Jo Phillips (Head Teacher)