

# Much Woolton Matters

Fortnightly Newsletter Number 14 of this school year



Our cross country team, whose boys came 1st in the final race of the season. The whole team did exceptionally well in both the City and Catholic schools championships with great results from Erin F, Ben L and Luan DLC. Filipa C also received the 'Spirit of Zoe Tynan' award for her effort, determination and improvement this year.

Our Choir performed beautifully at this week's Catholic Schools choir festival, held at St Margaret Mary's Church. They did fantastically well considering there are only 15 of them. More choristers are needed to boost this great group.

Our footballers have fared less well, going out of the Girl's Cup and Y3 Cup in extra time and penalties. A great effort from them all.

The following children received certificates over the last fortnight:

Luke A, Lewis D, Phoebe M, Jack T, Tilli W, Estelle W, Max M, Kane MK, Nancy C, Darcey H, Aaron C, Mylee W, Mia M, Luca G, Sam W, Molly W, Saffron RD, Louis R, Grace M, Luca H, Mollie M, John W, Harry L, Sophie M, Freya N, Joseph C, Jessica F.



### Sunny days are here again!

Please ensure that children have suncream on each day, are wearing a suitable hat and have a bottle of water with them.

## Key dates in the coming weeks

- ✓ 24 and 26 April, 3.30pm Y5 Plas Caerdeon meetings (for current Y4 children and parents)
- ✓ 24 April- y6 SAT's meeting for parents 3.30pm
- ✓ 25 April- Book Fair
- ✓ 26 April- 3.30pm Y2 SAT's and Phonics meeting- Years 1 and 2 parents
- ✓ 2 May PTA meeting (time and place tbc)
- ✓ 2 May Y3 Barstondale Residential
- ✓ Tuesday 8 May- Y4 Barstondale Residential

## PTA –

Our PTA are now preparing for the Summer Fair, being held on **23 June from 12.30-3.30pm**. If you can help in any way, the next meeting is on **Wednesday 2 May**, venue tbc.

If you wonder where your hard raised cash goes, the PTA have funded a KS1 outdoor learning area next to the children's entrance. Construction of this area should be complete before the Summer Fair!



Do not forget that we are still in 'Eastertide' and continue to celebrate Christ's resurrection.

We pray for our First Holy Communion group who are making their own commitment to Christ during May.

## Uniform



Children should now be in summer uniform. Girls uniform is a blue gingham dress with black shoes or sandals. Boys uniform is a badged white polo shirt with grey trousers or shorts and black shoes. Please ensure your child has shoes on the first day back, trainer style shoes are not permitted. Children are also expected to wear the correct cardigan or jumper and have full PE kit by now. Children should be wearing badged jumpers and cardigans please.

## Attendance



Although attendance is improving, it can still be better. Children need to be in school on time, between 8.45 and 9am and should not be leaving early during the day unless in authorised circumstances, such as a school event or medical appointment, accompanied by a proof of appointment. We have Settling In Time at 8.45 each day to get children ready for lessons beginning at 9am.

### Below are a few tips that will help your child be ready for school:



- ✓ Be school ready each day; help them pack their bag the night before school, ensure they have plenty of sleep and eat breakfast.
- ✓ Teach them to be on time, have a clock in the house, teach them to tell the time and to plan ahead for getting to school on time.
- ✓ Read each day, either individually or together. Talk about what children are reading and be interested in their stories.
- ✓ Expect them to look after their belongings. Help them by labelling clothes and other items so that they can find them.
- ✓ Expect them to have the correct equipment ready for each school day, including PE kit.

All of the above help teach your child to be resilient, enabling them to be independent and solve problems for themselves. This will help them greatly in school but most importantly, in being prepared for life beyond school.

- ✓ School staff are available to speak to at the exit doors at the end of each day, via appointment with our office or over the phone during the school day.
- ✓ PARKING- please do not park on yellow zig zag lines or on pavements near school that cause a danger to our children and families. Parking dangerously is unacceptable.
- ✓ If you have concerns about school, please speak with us so that these can be addressed.
- ✓ Birthdays! We are happy to help celebrate children's birthdays; however we do not have the time nor facility to have cakes in school. Should parents wish to share gifts with the class, we are able to hand out small packets of sweets at the end of the school day. Cakes can contain allergens that will make some children very poorly. Packets of sweets can be handed to parents who can check their contents before allowing their children to eat them.



