

Spring Term – Newsletter 2

UPDATE

Families,

WE ARE BACK! What a fantastic first day we had! The children were absolutely brilliant! It was as if they had never been away. It was so lovely seeing them all walk into school (some even bouncing) and that was just the parents 😊. There was a real buzz at the front doors this morning, helped along by Mr. Hey's favourite disco tunes – maybe it needs to become a regular feature?



It is going to take the children a little time to settle back into their normal routines and they will be exhausted (be prepared for some grumpy children 😊). As a school, we have one priority and that is their wellbeing. Our aim over the coming weeks is to ensure the children are settled, happy and ready to learn. The children have a lot of lost learning time to 'recover' but they need to know the information not just be taught it. The team will ensure the children cover all the areas they need to in new and exciting ways. Our children thrive at school and have a real thirst for learning. They want to be in school and want to learn. Children are resilient, especially children at Wildridings, but we cannot underestimate the impact the pandemic has had on them. We will work alongside you all the way, to ensure your children have a safe and enjoyable return to school.

We already have a number of exciting events planned over the next few weeks including celebrating International Women's Day; Mothering Sunday; World Book Day; Red Nose Day and Easter. It is always busy at Wildridings but as you can see we want to try and keep the calendar of events as 'normal' as we possibly can.

I just want to take this opportunity once again to thank each and everyone one of you for your continued support. Our success throughout the pandemic has been a team effort and you are all a huge part of that. It means so much to our young people that we are able to welcome them all back safely. This is what it is all about, seeing the children returning to school with huge smiles on their faces – priceless.

Take care and keep safe.

Mr. Cope

Project 500 – THANK YOU!

Throughout the Pandemic we have been supported by a number of different sources. We were very fortunate to be part of Project 500. I would like to thank Mr. Waterton for putting us forward for the project. Project 500 is aiming to provide 500 devices to schools across the country. We were fortunate enough to receive 10 devices from the project. I would like to thank the team for their generous donation and the wonderful work they are doing to support local schools.

I have attached a link below to the LIVE Podcast Wildridings took part in to support the project. It was slightly terrifying – but worth a watch 😊.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SPXDHbZzVbA>



World Book Day – Extreme Reading Challenge

Miss Cole and I joined forces to set the children the EXTREME READING CHALLENGE in conjunction with World Book Day. We have received so many examples – some are more bizarre than others from reading in a wardrobe to sitting on top of a bin! The staff have also been taking part in the 'Masked Reader' – thank you to all of the team for making it so much fun for the children. On Friday the children have an option to dress up as their favourite book character – this is optional due to the current circumstances (I am sure we will still have some cracking costumes to look at!).

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Inspirational Women's Day – Mothering Sunday

March 8th is International Women's day. A real historic moment and a key date to remember and share with the children. Our assembly this week has been all about inspirational women and how they made their dreams a reality. Please take a look at the assembly on DROPBOX.

This Sunday is of course Mother's Day, but more importantly it is a day where we can celebrate people that care for us, no matter who that might be. Take a moment this weekend to think...

Mr. Stevens – He has only gone and done it!

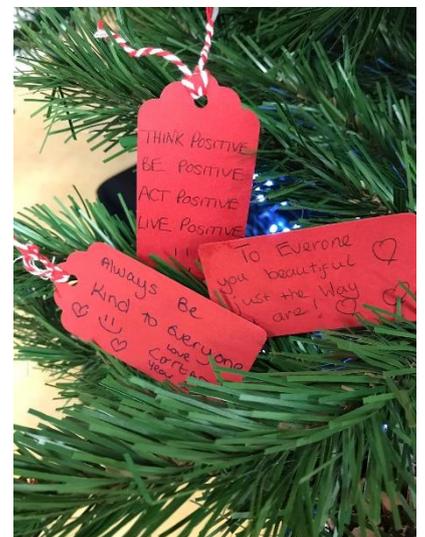
We've done it! We have raised a staggering £2000 towards a new set of iPads for the school. However, the total is still increasing! We are encouraging you all to share the link below with anyone and everyone. Let's see if we can raise even more before Mr. Stevens takes to the streets to complete his challenge. An unbelievable achievement – thank you all so much.

Please use this link <https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/HarryStevens> to donate.



Positivi-tree is a hit!

The positivi-tree was a HUGE community success. The tree was covered in our red tags with heart felt messages both to and from the local community. The tree was out for two days and collected over 150 messages. Our aim now is to display them in school for all the children and visitors to see. What a fantastic idea and a brilliant way to bring some positivity to the local community in these difficult times.



Please visit: www.wildridingsprimary.co.uk

Red Nose Day – Laughter is Power!

I hope your sponsor forms are filling up! We will be taking part in our annual sponsored walk on Friday March 19th and aiming to raise money not only for the school but also Comic Relief. The children will need to come in sports kit on the day and obviously RED NOSE DAY accessories. It is always a fantastic day and this year will be no different.

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E-Safety – Calling All Parents...

Stay safe online

Remember the 5 SMART rules when using the internet and mobile phones.

S

SAFE: Keep safe by being careful not to give out personal information when you're chatting or posting online. Personal information includes your email address, phone number and password.

M

MEET: Meeting someone you have only been in touch with online can be dangerous. Only do so with your parents' or carers' permission and even then only when they can be present.

A

ACCEPTING: Accepting emails, IM messages, or opening files, pictures or texts from people you don't know or trust can lead to problems – they may contain viruses or nasty messages!

R

RELIABLE: Someone online might lie about who they are, and information on the internet may not be true. Always check information with other websites, books or someone who knows.

T

TELL: Tell your parent, carer or a trusted adult if someone or something makes you feel uncomfortable or worried, or if you or someone you know is being bullied online.

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Friday 12th March – World Book Day – Mufti day / Favourite character

Sunday 14th March – Mother's Day

Friday 19th March – Red Nose Day – Sports Kit and accessories 😊

April 1st – 13:00 - Easter Holidays

Return to school on Tuesday 20th April