



Wellfield Middle School

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Dear Parent/Carer,



Interim Reports

You will shortly receive a second interim report for your child. This will give you an update on how your child is doing at the moment ahead of parent/teacher consultation meetings later this term (see below for details). I hope you will find the information on the reports helpful

Consultation Evenings

Dates for these were given to you at the start of the year and the Y6 evening is next Thursday 11 February. Letters for this have just gone out and we would be grateful if these could be returned by next Tuesday at the latest so that appointments can be made. The other consultation evenings are :

Y5 Thursday 4 March
Y7 Thursday 18 March
Y8 Thursday 1 April

All these evenings are with subject teachers – it is not possible to arrange appointments with form teachers on these occasions but the Headteacher, Deputy Head and Key Stage Managers will be available on each occasion if there are urgent pastoral issues that you wish to raise.

Meetings run from 4 to 6pm and letters with further information will be sent out nearer the time of each evening.

Half Term

School closes for half term at 3-30 next Friday, 12 February, and opens again for staff and pupils on Monday 22 February.

The next newsletter will appear on Friday 26 February.

Valentines Day Quiz

We will be holding a Valentine's Quiz from Monday 8th Feb to Thursday 11th February. Come along and see if you can win a prize.

The Library in Room 6 is open between 12.30–1pm everyday and all are welcome.

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School Meals



A number of changes are going to be made at lunchtimes over a period of time with the aim of making the lunchtime experience more pleasurable and comfortable than at present. Catering services have already introduced separate plates, bowls and trays and a new menu is going to be introduced after half term. I will send more details as soon as they become available. Members of the catering department intend to come along to the Year 6 consultation evening next week to allow pupils and their parents to sample some of the new things on offer. If successful they will try to come along to the other consultation evenings. We also intend to look

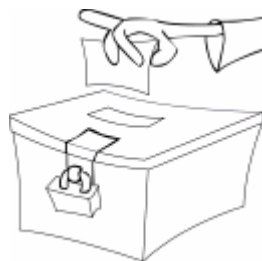
again at the arrangements for packed lunches in school.

Non Uniform Day

Next Friday, 12 February, will be a free non uniform day to mark half term. There will be no need, therefore, to make a donation on this occasion. Unfortunately at the moment this will be for girls only and all boys in the school will have to come in full school uniform on that day. If this arrangement changes I will inform you straight away.

Election Day

We have received confirmation today that we are to be used as a polling station in the local elections on Thursday 6 May. This means that the school will be closed on that day. We did announce this at the start of the school year in your information pack and we will designate the day as a staff training day to avoid further days of closure for pupils. There will of course be a General Election in due course and we are currently awaiting confirmation of when this will be.



Parents/ carers winter soup workshop.

I would like to attend the workshop

Name of Parent _____

Name of Child _____ Class _____



Learning Walk

Yesterday, 4 February, a learning walk was conducted in school by senior staff and a number of lessons were visited as part of our programme for monitoring standards across the school. I am delighted to report that we were all very impressed indeed by the quality of teaching, learning and behaviour that we saw during the day. There are one or two lessons still to visit before half term but overall we can be very proud of our school, our staff and our pupils.

Parents/ carers winter soup workshop.

There will be another soup cooking workshop on Wednesday 24th February 6pm – 7.30pm. This will be an informal practical session. We will cook and sample a variety of different soups, all equipment and ingredients are provided. All the soups are good value, very healthy and delicious. The recipes are simple and you will be given a recipe booklet to take away the so whole family can get involved in cooking them at home. Places are limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis



Texting Service

Just a reminder to please sign up for our new texting and email service. This will enable us to distribute information quickly and easily.

S.W. Collinson, Headteacher