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## Head's Update

As I write Year 6 are currently enjoying a day visiting the Mandir Hindu temple – what a brilliant opportunity! Although we are a Church of England school I feel that visits such as these are incredibly important. The fundamental British values of 'tolerance' and 'respect for all' can only be gained through an understanding of beliefs and perspectives that differ from our own. I am sure the children will have a wealth of new knowledge about Hinduism that they will be raring to share following this visit.

This term our Collective Worship has been and continues to be focused on the Church of England's values for education. I have included them below. I think they encapsulate all that we want for our children and I am looking forward to exploring them a little more over the coming weeks.

**Educating for wisdom, knowledge and skills:** enabling discipline, confidence and delight in seeking wisdom and knowledge, and developing talents in all areas of life.

**Educating for hope and aspiration:** enabling healing, repair and renewal, coping wisely when things go wrong, opening horizons and guiding people into ways of fulfilling them.

**Educating for community and living well together:** a core focus on relationships, participation in communities and the qualities of character that enable people to flourish together.

**Educating for dignity and respect:** the basic principle of respect for the value and preciousness of each person, treating each person as a unique individual of inherent worth.

Last week our open evening and mornings were very successful. The children who took part were all ambassadors for the school and received a special mention in our Good News assembly on Friday. May I extend my thanks to parents and family members who supported the children in being able to come on Monday evening.

On Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> October many of our children will be running in Farnham Park for our schools' cross country competition. Good luck to all the children running!

As we move towards November, we will also begin thinking about the memorial of the end of World War 1. Some of our children will be visiting Ypres next Friday to reflect on the contribution that was made for the cause by so many. After half term we will be continuing to focus on this, both in assemblies and beyond. Linked with the centenary, I am sure you will have noticed many soldier statues dotted around Farnham. The British Legion have produced these to mark the occasion and we are hoping to purchase the shadow of a soldier for the school. In order to support this charity and have our own soldier, we will be holding a cake raffle on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November. Tickets will be available to purchase all that week at break time and will cost 50p per entry. We will draw the winners on Friday afternoon during Good News assembly. If you are a budding cook and would be willing to produce a fabulous cake for your child's year group, then please let the office know.



**Polite request** – Please do not park on the zig zag lines adjacent to the swimming pool as this can obscure the children's view of the crossing. We also ask that parents do not block the emergency exit gate that leads on to the field.

**Walking to school** – Several of our children walk to school each day and we have shared with all children that they are ambassadors for Waverley Abbey when they are off the school site too. If parents see anything that concerns them regarding a child off site, please contact the school office that day and we will follow this up. Thank you for your support in this matter.

**Harvest** – Thank you for all your kind donations for Harvest this term, these have all been gratefully received by the Farnham Food Bank.

**FOWA Build a Guy competition** – Build a Guy over half term - the winner will have pride of place at the top of the school bonfire on 2<sup>nd</sup> November. Entries can be brought into school from Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> October and taken to the school hall. Remember to attach your name and class to your entry. The winner will be announced on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November.

**Rebecca Marshall**

**Head of School**

### *Important dates:*

**Parent consultations:** Are being held on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> October between 16.00 and 18.50 and on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> October between 15.45 and 18.15. Please note that there are no Waverley Abbey run clubs during parent consultation week.

INSET days this term –

**Monday 29 October 2018 - Please note that Winter Uniform is to be worn after half term.**

**Friday 30 November 2018**

**Book Fair** - The next book fair will be in school the week beginning the **Monday, 5th November**. Children will be able to preview books on the Monday then they will have the opportunity to buy books on the Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday. Their teacher will let the children know on which day they will be going.

**Nasal Flu Immunisation Consent Forms** – Please return completed consent forms by **Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October**. We require a consent form whether you give or do not give consent for your child to have the vaccination.

**Wednesday, 12 December - Year 3 Christmas Production 6.30pm**

**Thursday, 13 December – Year 5 Christmas Production 6.30pm**

(Please note that Year 4 & 6 will be doing their productions in the Easter and summer term.)

**Last day of term** - The last day of term is **Wednesday 19 December**. We will have an earlier lunch break that day and school will finish at 13.30.

### *Other News:*

**School Routine** - The school day begins at 8:45am and ends at 3:20pm. Children may be left at school from 8:20am onwards when staff will be on duty to supervise. They may enter their classrooms at 8:35am.

**Illness at School** - If your child becomes ill at school the school office will telephone to ask that you collect them. It is important to keep us informed of any new telephone numbers so that we can contact you in an emergency. Children with diarrhea or vomiting should stay away from school for 2 days after their symptoms have gone.

**Nuts in school** – Waverley Abbey is a nut free school. We have several children who have nut allergies and some are severe. We would like to keep them safe while they are in our care and ask for your help in ensuring that packed lunches and snacks remain nut free please.

**Medication in school** – If your child needs to take any medication during the school day a medical form needs to be completed and returned to the school office with the medication so that we can look after it and administer the medicine accordingly. Medical forms can be picked up from the school office or obtained from the school website.

**Medicine Management** - In accordance with Surrey County Council and recommendation from the local health team, we can only administer ibuprofen if prescribed by a doctor. This is due to Ibuprofen being part of the same family of medicines as aspirin, having the potential to react with numerous drugs.

We continue to be able to administer antibiotics; however our recommendation is if the dose is 3 times a day the medicine should be given to your child at home; before school, after school and at bedtime. This spreads the required dose over 24 hours and assists with drop off and collection of the medicine. Antibiotics that have been prescribed with a dose of 4 times a day can be given by us at lunchtime and the necessary medical forms will need to be completed and handed into the office as usual.

**Waverley Abbey School website** – Please visit our school website regularly to keep up to date with our calendar of events, parent information including forms and documents, term dates, letters and general school information.

**School Meals** – Please find attached a letter regarding school meal arrangements for the next half term. A new menu can be found on our school website.

**Ofsted Parent View Survey** - Parent View gives you the chance to tell Ofsted what you think about your child's school, from the quality of teaching to dealing with bullying and poor behaviour. The survey can be completed at any time; you don't have to wait until the school is being inspected.

They will use the information you provide when making decisions about which schools to inspect and when.

Please go to <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/> to register and complete a survey to help our school improve.

## *FOWA News:*

**Year 3 Parents Curry Night** - has been re-arranged for Friday 16th November - please go online and book your tickets. [www.pta-events.co.uk/fowa](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/fowa)

**Waverley Abbey Bonfire & Fireworks Night** – Please see the attached information.

Don't forget to purchase your tickets for bonfire night at [www.pta-events.co.uk/fowa](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/fowa)

There is no need to purchase tickets for food before the night - you can just turn up and pay.



A fantastic, safe event and one that the children all look forward too - Please bring your family and friends along. There will even be a display of fire eating by Ms Redman (weather dependent)

**Bonfire Build** - If you can volunteer any time on the morning of Saturday 20th October to help build the bonfire, please contact [fowa.chair@waverley-abbey.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:fowa.chair@waverley-abbey.surrey.sch.uk)

**Christmas Fair** - will be on Saturday 24th November and collections will start after October half term, please look out for emails from your class representative.

**Important:** Contact details for years 3 and 5 - please contact your class representative to provide your email address (if you haven't already done so) to ensure that you can receive communications. See below list of class reps for each class (there are no class reps for 3LA and 5JN).

**Year 3:** 3FA Debra Lee

3EJ Tracey Hearn

3CE Lucy Curtis & Lucy Jones

3LA TBC

**Year 4:** 4AH Christiane Dehnhardt & Elaine Penfold

4KW Lou Bird & Holly Cowan

4MC Olivia Harmer

4LS Alison Nesbitt & Kate Macro

**Year 5:** 5LH Magdalena Holman & Lauren Broughton

5JR Emma Harris & Hermione Love

5DB Ali Welch

5HD Emma Winter & Kath Caygill

5JN TBC - no class rep

**Year 6:** 6LH Debbie Hamilton & Jody Inwood-pells

6LS Sarah Thorn & J Burgess

6HA Louise Daw & Andrea Berry

6DD Nicola Kingston & Tania Sutlieff

If you would like to assist or have any questions about how to get involved in FOWA please contact Mr Carter &/or Mrs Myers by sending an email to [fowa.chair@waverley-abbey.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:fowa.chair@waverley-abbey.surrey.sch.uk).

## Diary Dates:

October	
13 <sup>th</sup>	Farnham Park Cross Country event
16 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3 Butser Ancient Farm Trip
16 <sup>th</sup> & 18 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Consultations
19 <sup>th</sup>	Ypres, Belgium Day Trip
22 <sup>nd</sup> – 26 <sup>th</sup>	Half Term
29 <sup>th</sup>	Inset Day
November	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Individual School Photos – Winter Uniform
2 <sup>nd</sup>	FOWA Bonfire Night
13 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5 Astronomy Roadshow visit
16 <sup>th</sup>	FOWA Year 3 Parents Curry Evening
21 <sup>st</sup> -22 <sup>nd</sup>	Nasal Flu Immunisation Year 3, 4 & 5
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Year 3 Showcase Assembly 2.40pm
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Ski Trip Parent Information Meeting 6pm
24 <sup>th</sup>	FOWA Christmas Fair
30 <sup>th</sup>	Inset Day
December	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Year 5 Arabian Dance Day
10 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Jumper Competition – Judging
12 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3 Christmas Production 6.30pm
13 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5 Christmas Production 6.30pm
14 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper Day
19 <sup>th</sup>	End of term – <b>1.30pm Finish</b>