



# WOBURN LOWER SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

10<sup>th</sup> November 2017

## PUPIL OF THE WEEK

**OWLETS CLASS: ALEXANDER HUNTER      OWLS CLASS: FINLAY ROBINSON**  
**SQUIRRELS CLASS: YANNI CHIMOINDES      BADGERS CLASS: SEREN MORGAN**  
**TABLE MANNERS – EVELYN HOWARD**

## VALUE OF THE MONTH FOR NOVEMBER – HONESTY

### Lateness

On Friday morning last week, the Attendance Officer and I undertook a 'lateness check'. The WLS Attendance Policy clearly states that 'the school day begins at 8.50am and all pupils are expected to be lined up ready in the playground.' There have also been several reminders on the weekly Newsletters.

Whilst I understand there will be occasions when being late is unavoidable, there has been an increase in late arrivals. Lateness causes three problems. The first one is the 'two way traffic' congestion causes whilst children are trying to enter their classes. Secondly, from a safeguarding standpoint, it is not easy to see the children enter their respective classes. Furthermore, this is not the best way to start a school day and we feel it important to teach the children the value of punctuality. The Attendance Officer will be keeping a register and we will be undertaking regular checks. Thank you for your support on this issue.

### Parliament Week – 13-17<sup>th</sup> November

We will be holding a Parliament Week at Woburn Lower School next week. During the week, the children will be learning about how Parliament works and significant events in Parliament's history.

On Monday, we will be having a visit from Baroness Young, a Peer of the Realm, who will be talking to the children about the House of Lords. On Friday, Nadine Dorries MP will come and speak to the children about her role. The Parliament Week resources include a book on the role of Parliament for each child and a loan box whereby we will create the House of Commons in the School Hall. I am sure this will be a super exciting week!



### PTA 'Design your own Christmas Card'

Thank you for all your support with this. The children all had lots of fun and the creations looked amazing.

We'll be in touch as soon as the cards are received.

### 'Operation Christmas Child'

Just a reminder, all shoeboxes for 'Operation Christmas Child' need to be returned to school by Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November.

Should you wish to fill more than one box, there are plenty of spares. Please speak with Jenny or Emma in the office.



### 'Share a Smile' / Children in Need

Thank you again for all the donations raised from Share a Smile day. This means that the Night Shelter will be able to buy all the bedding and linen required for 2017/2018.

As we have supported 'Share a Smile' day, we will not be supporting Children in Need as a school this year.

### Pantomime - Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December

We shall be taking our statutory children to see 'Sleeping Beauty' at the Grove Theatre on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December. A letter with all the details together with a permission slip to be completed will be sent out shortly.

The PTA are very kindly funding this trip.

### After School Club – 13<sup>th</sup> November

A reminder that there will be **no after school club** on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November.

Thank you.

**Forthcoming Dates:** (nb: bold dates are additions to previous week's newsletter)

**Mon 13<sup>th</sup> November – Owls Parent Consultations**

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November – Years R-4 Flu Vaccines**

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November – 'Bag to School' Collection**

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December – Carols in the Playground

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December – Exhibition of Work (2.30pm)

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Dinner**

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December – Pantomime at Grove Theatre**

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December – End of Autumn Term**

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2018 – Training Day**

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2018 – Start of Spring Term**