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Goodbyes!

We are very sorry to be saying goodbye to Year 6's today. They have been an immense year group and we know they are ready to move on, and will be brilliant in their new secondary schools.

Thank you to Mr and Mrs Lock, Billy Barter's grandparents, for the very kind contribution to the school. Their very generous £200 will be used directly for football related activities- something that Billy appreciates very much, being football-mad!

We also say 'goodbye' to a few staff. Firstly, Mrs Reed who has been teaching in Year 3/4 this term will be moving to a new role in another Taunton school as of September 2023. Thank you for your time at the school and we hope you settle quickly in your new school. HOWEVER, we do expect Mrs Reed back in September to cover classes!

Miss Andrewes, who works as a Teaching Assistant at Wellsprings for over 7 years, will also be moving on, as she is due to start a teaching degree in Autumn 2023. We know she will be brilliant and we wish her well with her studies.

Finally, Jean duHeaume has been a cleaner for Wellsprings for over 10 years, and she is finally retiring. We know she is a busy person, so putting her feet up will be out of the question! We wish her all the best in her retirement.

Welcome to new staff for September. Mrs Hill will be joining us in September to share the Grey Squirrels class teacher role with Mrs Lawrence. She is a music specialist who we are very pleased to be welcoming to our lovely, friendly school!

We have some new roles next year. Mrs Holcombe has been appointed as the Inclusion Lead (SEND, Pupil Premium, EAL learners) and will no longer be based in the Foundation Stage. Mrs Price Bates will continue to support SEND learners one day a week, working alongside Mrs Holcombe.

We have new roles who are now in role as well: Mrs Broadway is now the English Lead, Mr Fowle the KS2 Maths Lead, Mr Jones is our assessment and Key Stage 2 Lead and Mrs Lang is our Curriculum lead.

We have also moved some teachers to new subject lead roles:

PE: Miss Hawthorne

History: Mrs Marshall

Music: Mrs Hill

For all our roles and responsibilities please visit the school website:

<https://wellsprings.somerset.sch.uk/about-our-school/our-staff/>

Start of the year, 2023-24

We have attached the start of the year routines for parents and carers. In this sheet it confirms where/when children are dropped/collected, transition adjustments to Nursery/Reception children with a map of key locations on our school site. We will send it out again in advance of the start of the year at the end of August.

Poetry winner

Well done to Barney Patrick for his 'Highly commended' award for the 2023 Somerset Poetry competition!



Dates and information about the school

21.07.23 School newsletter out
21.07.23 Last day of the school year
04.09.23 INSET day
05.09.23 INSET day
06.09.23 School opens
08.09.23 School newsletter out
11.09.23 Art week starts- 'Take one picture'
12.09.23 School tour for parents/carers

Please visit our website for key dates across the year: <https://wellsprings.somerset.sch.uk/events>

Wellsprings website school blog is here: <https://wellsprings.somerset.sch.uk/blog-template/>

Wellsprings School open Facebook page is here: <https://www.facebook.com/wellsprings.school>

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If you need to pass on information or you have a query please contact the office email: office@wellsprings.somerset.sch.uk or visit our [CONTACT US](https://wellsprings.somerset.sch.uk/contact-us/) page and complete an enquiry form: <https://wellsprings.somerset.sch.uk/contact-us/>

School INSET days 2023-24

We are pleased to confirm the school INSET days for the next academic years. These will be:
04.09.23; 05.09.23; 02.01.24; 15.04.24; 03.06.24.

School reports

We are pleased to have had some very positive replies about the school reports sent out last week- thank you for the kind comments!

Class structures 2023-24

The class structures:

Red Squirrels (Year R/Year 1): Mrs Lang/Mrs Adams

Grey Squirrels (Year R/Year 1): Mrs Lawrence

Hedgehogs (Year 1/2): Mrs Marhsall/Mrs Adams

Badgers (Year 1/2): Miss Cross/Mrs Adams

Hares (Year 3/4): Miss Webber/Mrs Fearn

Adders (Year 3/4): Mr Jones

Robins (Year 3/4): Miss Hawthorne

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Next newsletter: Friday 9th September 2023


Have a lovely summer break. It has been a long term, with so much packed into a short space of time. We hope you all get some time away if possible, and we look forward to seeing (most of you) in September. Happy holidays!

Hedgehog Highway Competition



Did you know Hedgehogs travel around 2km every night through our parks and gardens to find enough food, a mate and nesting sites. To ensure hedgehogs still flourish in North Taunton, we have included Hedgehog Highways in the gardens of our new homes to help them pass through.


To help the hedgehogs find their way, we would like you to design your own hedgehog highway sign.



HOW TO ENTER

1. Complete your designs on the template on the next page or on a piece of A4 paper.
2. Post your design through the door of the NTWP office at 27 Rochester Road by 31/07/2023
3. Don't forget to include your name, age, address and contact number.

The entries will be displayed in the window of office and winners will be announced in the Winter Newsletter.



PRIZES

We have 5 amazing prizes up for grabs enter now:

- Full pizza making workshop for a winner & 4 friends. This will include all ingredients, chef, other goodies & drinks at the Firehouse.
- Day of practical nature conservation skills - building or crafting hedgehog homes during a day outdoors, with free transport and lunch X 2 families
- Free membership for a year Somerset Wildlife Trust.
- A Bird Box for you to keep.

To find more information on hedgehog highways visit www.britisshedgehogs.org.uk

Terms and Conditions

- Entries are limited to one per person
- Entrants must be aged 4-11 years
- The winners will be chosen by a panel comprising of representatives from Equans and the North Taunton Woolway Project Team on the basis of creativity and relevance to a Hedgehog Highway Sign. Their decision is final.
- There is no cash alternative to the prize and it is non-transferable.
- Winners will receive their prize within a month of the closing date.
- Winners will be notified by telephone or letter within 14 days of the closing date and must respond within 28 days to claim their prize.
- Entries will be published on the NTWP Facebook Page and displayed in the Project Office window.
- Winners' entries will be published in the next edition of the Newsletter.
- Closing date 31/07/2023

Please see attached competition details and form.