#### Westbury-on-Severn C of E Primary School Newsletter





Shaping the Spirit, Achieving Together, Learning for life Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2022

#### Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back and we hope that everyone had a well- rested break. There was a great deal of illness about at the end of last term, including Chickenpox, but we are hoping that everyone is recovered. There is much to look forward to in this term. I'm hearing rumours of Nativity rehearsals already being planned and my singing club members are going to start rehearsing Christmas Carols. Preparations are underway for the **CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR** on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November at the Parish hall. I am hoping to bring my singing club to this event to perform our songs and carols. I do hope you can come along. Because of the recent wet and colder weather, please could you make sure

your child comes to school wearing a coat WITH A NAME IN IT! Thank-you! Anna-Mai Armstrong Headteacher

### Christian Values Our Christian Value this term is TRUST



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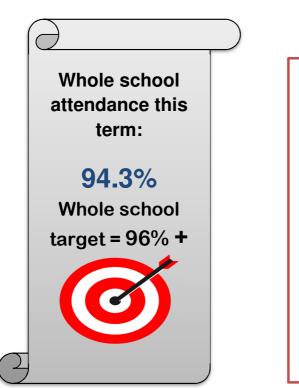
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#### **GOVERNOR CORNER**

We still have a vacancy for a CLERK for Governorsthis role is 60 hrs <u>per year</u> and involves taking minutes and preparing paperwork for meetings etc. Please talk to Anna Cox if you are interested.

### SCHOOL WEBSITE

We need a lovely drawing of Mrs Landon to go on the website- all entries to Mrs Armstrong ASAP please! The winning art will go on our website.



We have two new staff members!

**Cindy Morris-Green** has started this week as a full time Midday Supervisor and will also work on Friday morning as a TA in Willow Class. She is continuing to volunteer in Forest School.

Cassie Betteridge has started in our Preschool class, Chestnuts, this week, supporting Jo Trigg. She will also start as a Midday Supervisor in December.

We are so pleased to welcome these two new members of staff to the Westbury Team, supporting the pupils to flourish.



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We have a large box of Poppy related goodies to sell in school. We have the traditional poppies as well as plastic ones (to attach to a bookbag or lanyard), wristbands, pencils and much more. We are setting up a stall to sell poppies etc. at the end of the day (at 3.10pm) on <u>Friday 4<sup>th</sup></u>.

If you are unable to buy from the stall, you can either buy directly from Mrs Cox in the office (Mon-Thurs) or send in some money in an envelope with your child and they can choose from the box themselves.

Suggested donations are 50p - £2.

## TOAST BAR

As you might know, our Toast bar was set up by School Council and contributions towards daily toast (20p) or weekly toast (£1) are spent on equipment for the school. We are asking that families continue to pay for toast if this is affordable for them. The charges remain the same. Thank you for your support.

# FOODBANK

Thank you to everyone who donated food for our Harvest Festival last term. As a school, we donated 35.35kg of food! This has been estimated to provide 84 meals for local people in need. The Forest Foodbank in Cinderford is very grateful for your generosity.



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## Shoebox Appeal



Just a reminder to send your shoeboxes in as soon as possible. We need them all in by 16<sup>th</sup> November please!

Tempest Photography will be in on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November for individual photos. If you have requested for your child to have their photo taken with a younger sibling who does not attend Chestnuts, please arrive at 8.30am since these will be taken first.

We now have two guinea pigs on loan to us from the Boulton family. One is called Rupert, the other is "The Unnamed One" currently but the children are submitting their suggestions. We had a special assembly on Wednesday to discuss how important it is to be quiet in the corridor near them so that they are not scared. Everyone has been very respectful so far.



We will put some photos of the actual animals on INSTAGRAM soon!