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Well Done to Year 6 & Good Luck to Year 4, Year 2 and Year 1

A massive well done to the Year 6 pupils who gave 100% effort in their SATs last week. They should feel very proud of themselves as we certainly are. We would also like to say good luck to the Year 2 children who have started their SATs. They will continue to take place this week and the children will work in groups alongside Miss Nowshirvani, Mr Steeples, Miss Turner, Miss Butler and Mrs Hallam. We wish them all the best!

Pupils in Year 4 will be completing their Multiplication Tables Check (MTC) in the fortnight commencing Monday 5th June. The children have been working incredibly hard on their times tables since Year 2 as they are so important in so many different areas of maths. Please ensure that your child is in school during this period so that they can show how fantastic they are. If you are aware of any planned absence for your child in this time, please let Mrs Woodcock or Mrs Richardson know as soon as possible.

The Year 1 Phonics Screening Check and Y2 Phonics Screening re-sit check will take place after half term, in the week beginning Monday 12th June. Please ensure your child attends during this time so they can show off their fabulous learning! If your child is going to be absent from School at any point during this week, please contact Mrs Belt or Mrs Richardson as soon as possible.

Congratulations

We are sure you will join us in sending love and best wishes to Mrs Larkin and family who had a baby boy. George Joseph was born on the 2nd April and weighed 8lb 9oz. Good luck on your new family adventure.

We would also like to send lots of love and best wishes to Miss Elliott (FS2) who will be getting married in the holidays and will be known as Mrs McGinn when we return. Team Wellgate hope you have a magical day!

Sports Days

Next week, we are holding our annual Sports Days (weather permitting). Please find below a few more details:

Date	Year Group and Other Information
Monday 22 nd May	Upper KS2 (Y5/6) Sports Day - Parents/Carers are welcome from 1:30pm on the field
Tuesday 23 rd May	Lower KS2 (Y3/4) Sports Day – Parents/Carers are welcome from 1:30pm on the field
Wednesday 24 th May	KS1 Sports Day – Parents/Carers are welcome from 1:30pm on the field
Thursday 25 th May	FS2 Sports Morning – Parents/Carers are welcome from 9:00am on the field
	FS1 Sports Day AM & PM (Nursery Setting) – Parents/Carers are welcome to come and cheer on their child during the morning or afternoon session. The Nursery gate will open at 10:50am and 2:30pm

For easy access to the School Field, we will only be opening the gate at the George Street Entrance during the afternoon. It is paramount that we ensure the safeguarding of all the children so please be patient with us.

Once the races have finished, children will return to their classrooms and will be dismissed as usual. Children and siblings will need to be signed out (via their class teacher) if this is before the end of the school day. We ask that you remain on the field until all the children have been escorted back to their classrooms to ensure the safety of all pupils.

SEND Team Update

For the remainder of this academic year, Miss Holden will be assisting Mrs Richardson with her work supporting children in school with Special Educational Needs. If you have any concerns about your child please remember to speak with your child's class teacher in the first instance.

Book Fair and School Fund Raising

Excitingly, on the week commencing the 12th June 2023, Wellgate will be hosting its very own Book Fair. At the Fair, children will be able to purchase books, and a percentage of the money taken at the event will be given back to school to purchase new books for our children to read in school. Further information regarding this fabulous event will be shared shortly.

Parent Governor Vacancy

We wish to inform you that there is currently a vacancy for the role of Parent/Carer Governor on our School Governing Body. This is an elected role, and we are currently seeking candidates interested in taking up this position. The term of office for parent governors is four years. To become an elected Parent/Carer Governor, you must have a child who is registered at the school at the time you become a governor. There are of course checks on those eligible to serve and these are detailed in the pack issued to candidates.

Anyone who wishes to serve as a Parent/Carer Governor should be nominated and seconded by Parents/Carers of registered pupils. If there are several nominations, then a secret ballot of Parents/Carers is held to elect the preferred candidate.

Working as a school governor can be hugely rewarding. However, due to the many changes to school governance in recent years, the role of Governor has become a significant and demanding commitment and you will benefit from more information before deciding to take part.

Please contact the school office to express an interest, and a member of our Governing Body will be happy to meet with you to discuss the role in more detail and provide you with an information pack.

We look forward to hearing from any prospective candidates.

Carol Stringer
Chair of Governors

Diary Dates

Please see below the events that are planned for the remainder of this half term and the next.

Monday 15 th May – Friday 19 th May	KS1 SATs (Year 2 pupils)
Monday 22 nd May	Upper KS2 (Y5 & Y6) Sports Afternoon
Tuesday 23 rd May	Lower KS2 (Y3 & Y4) Sports Afternoon
Wednesday 24 th May	KS1 Sports Afternoon
Thursday 25 th May	FS2 Sports Morning
	FS1 Sporting Activities - AM & PM (Nursery Setting)
Friday 26 th May	INSET – No school for children
Monday 29 th May – Friday 2 nd June	Spring Bank Holiday – School Closed
Monday 5 th June	Children return to school
Monday 5 th – Friday 16 th June	Y4 Multiplication Tables Check
Tuesday 6 th June	Y2, Y4 and Y6 Muslim Workshop
Wednesday 7 th June	Y4 Viking Day
Friday 9 th June	Summer Fair 2:00pm – 4:30pm – <i>look out for more details next week!</i>
Monday 12 th – Friday 16 th June	Book Fair
Monday 12 th June – Friday 23 rd June	Y1 Phonics Screening Check
Wednesday 14 th June	FS2 New Parent/Carer meeting– KS2 Hall – more information to follow
Friday 23 rd June	FS2KEI Learning Celebration Assembly
Tuesday 27 th June	Year 1 Dinosaur Day
Friday 30 th June	FS2SB/JBA Learning Celebration Assembly
Wednesday 5 th July	NHS celebration for 75 years – more information to follow
Monday 3 rd July – Friday 7 th July	End of Year Reports to Parents/Carers via email
Tuesday 4 th July	Y5/6 Performance - 1:30pm
Tuesday 4 th July	Y5/6 Performance - 5:30pm
Wednesday 5 th July	Y5/6 Performance - 5:30pm
Thursday 6 th July	Transition Morning 1
Tuesday 11 th July	Transition Morning 2
Monday 17 th July	Year 6 Celebration Trip (bowling)
Wednesday 19 th July	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly - 1:30pm for Parents/Carers
Friday 21 st July	School closes at 4:00pm
Monday 24 th July – Friday 1 st September	Summer Holidays
Monday 4 th September	INSET – No school for children
Tuesday 5 th September	Children return to school

Thank you for your continued support.

K. E. Richardson

Deputy Headteacher & Team Wellgate