



Dear parents and carers,

It's warming up ~ there are buds on the trees, snowdrops and birdsong. I'm ever hopeful that Spring may be on its way! We're all ready for some warmer, sunnier days.

I'm sure by now you have received and read the Ofsted report following the January inspection of Wrenbury Primary School and, like myself, are delighted with the findings. Thank you for all your kind messages, cards and Facebook posts. The staff have really appreciated the acknowledgement of what we have collectively achieved. I posted this on the website; which you may or may not have read:

'The fantastic outcome is a collective achievement. It has only been made possible as a result of: 'a positive, ambitious culture within the school'...through the 'strong, effective leadership' of the head-teacher; the dedication and commitment of our 'united, dynamic team' of teachers and teaching assistants who 'go the extra mile' in and outside the classroom for every child, our 'skillful' governors and our wonderful non-teaching staff and volunteers. All have contributed to support the delivery of a 'broad and balanced curriculum that excites and engages pupils,' alongside prioritising each child's personal wellbeing.

Myself, staff and governors greatly appreciate the strong support of our parents and carers, past and present, who had belief in the Wrenbury team to deliver an education for all pupils, where their 'rounded achievements and outstanding personal development ensures that they are well prepared for the next stage in their education'.

'Typically, parents commented, 'My children have made excellent progress academically and emotionally since joining Wrenbury'.

The outcome is also a credit to our wonderful children who 'demonstrate genuine excitement about their learning across the school' and are enabled to 'thrive' at Wrenbury.'

The challenge for school is to keep building on this success and offering the very best we can for all our pupils, which I am sure we can.

Staffing

We're used to change at Wrenbury and in hindsight we can now acknowledge that change brought success. We have change again as we go forward: Miss Hindmarch has been offered and accepted a promotion a lot closer to her home and will be taking up her new role as Deputy Nursery Manager in the next few weeks. Mrs Smith (known previously as Miss Smith), who works as a 1:1TA in school, will be setting off for a new life in Singapore at Easter with her husband. We wish both of them all the very best as they set off on their new adventures and thank them for the positive contributions they have made on our journey to 'good'.

Teaching and Learning

School is buzzing with happy children busy learning. The Spring term theme 'Where would we be without books?' has really excited the children's imagination with some fantastic reading and writing across the school. Hopefully, you found parent's evenings last week informative and helpful in understanding how your child is progressing and next steps in their learning. Good parent partnership is essential for supporting the best possible progress for your child. If you were unable to make an appointment or attend parent's evening, please do make an appointment to see your child's class teacher before Easter.

In addition to the school learning, our reception children have enjoyed a wonderful visit to the library as part of our focus on books and reading for pleasure; a group of Y6 children went live on Red Shift Radio earlier in the term; Base 1 and 2 have been developing their gymnastic skills whilst Base 3 and 4 have developed their cricketing skills.

We thank Joe Kelly for the cinema tickets for Base 1 and 2, who thoroughly enjoyed watching the film Ferdinand.

We pride ourselves on offering so much to our children despite being a small school and I thank the teachers for all they do to encourage and excite the children with their learning.

Attendance and punctuality

Both attendance and punctuality have improved greatly since the start of term – thank you! We are now seeing our classes achieve weekly attendance in the high 90%, meaning that the children are getting the very most out of the great teaching and learning our teachers and teaching assistants offer.

Safeguarding

Do please keep the office up to date with any changes at home including new telephone numbers and home time arrangements.

Office

We are now close to the end of the school's financial year, which involves Debbie undertaking lots of money linked tasks including closing accounts. Please can you continue to send messages and monies to the office through your child's class teacher. It really helps alleviate unnecessary interruptions for Debbie. Also – a polite – request – ALL monies MUST be in a sealed and clearly labelled envelope. Thank you.

Website

We have a good number of people following us on our school website, which provides updates and information, news feeds and has a calendar of events. Do use the website and if possible LIKE and SHARE our news feeds. Why not comment too! Likes and shares help raise our profile in and around the local community.

Thank you all for your continued and valued support.

Best wishes,
Mrs Cador