



Autumn Newsletter 4
23rd September 2016

Dear Parents,



Waltham Charter Fair

Thank you to everyone who helped with and supported the Waltham Charter Fair last weekend. Although it tried to rain on our parade, there was still a great turn-out in spite of the weather and lots of fun to be had. We even got our picture in the Melton Times (see above)! We look forward to hearing from the Committee about how much money they raised for school, pre-school and other local groups. Well done to all involved!

In class this week

Holly Class

Reception

Reception class children have been helping to build and decorate a castle for their role play area. In Literacy, they have been learning about the story of Harvey Slumfenburger and his present.

Years 1 and 2

Years 1 and 2 have also been studying the Harvey Slumfenburger story. They have been learning about using capital letters at the beginning of a sentence, for proper names and for personal pronouns. In Maths the children have been counting 1 more and 1 less with numbers up to 20.

Oak Class

Oak class have been using the Frog method in Maths for subtracting 3-digit numbers and to find the right change with money. In Literacy they have been planning, drafting and writing fables. In Science they have been learning about electricity and making circuits. In Grammar, the children have been using inverted commas.

Sycamore Class

Sycamore class have been singing and dancing in Numeracy and took some of their Maths lessons outdoors this week, looking at different units of measurements, using and applying conversion and looking at shapes. In Literacy, Sycamore class have been continuing to develop their myths. In Science, the children explored electrical circuits with light bulbs. They have also been learning about e-safety on electronic devices including mobile phones.

School Harvest Festival

Our School Harvest Festival is on **Thursday 29th September, 9.15am**, at Waltham Church. This is a special day for children in Reception class as we formally welcome them into our school community. This will also be a Service to celebrate Reverend Beverley's ministry and an opportunity for us all to say thank you and farewell as she retires shortly afterwards. Please come along if you can then join us at school afterwards for our Macmillan Coffee Morning. All welcome!

Harvest Boxes

A note has gone out in book bags this week about harvest boxes which we will be collecting for next week's Harvest Service and which will be donated to Dove Cottage Hospice. Please note that we are only requesting ONE harvest box per family. Thank you.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

The Harvest Service will be followed by a fund-raising Coffee Morning **AT SCHOOL** for Macmillan Cancer Support, from 10.30am, in Sycamore Classroom. All welcome – please come along after the Harvest Festival and enjoy some tea or coffee and cake. Mrs Garnett and Sycamore class will be hosting the coffee morning.

Appeal for cakes Please buy or bake a cake / cakes for our Macmillan Coffee Morning and send in on Thursday morning if you are able to. Children will also need a small amount of spending money to buy a cake and a raffle ticket for our special 'Cake Raffle'. All proceeds to Macmillan Cancer Support. Thank you.

Message from Owl Ministers

We have decided that we would like to buy a flag stone in Church and we need to raise some money for it. During the Harvest Festival our collection in church will go towards the flag stone. Please give generously – we have already chosen one that we would like to buy. It is right in the middle, near the altar where we stand. Thank you.

Owl Ministers.

Hot school dinners

Please note that the cost of hot school dinners is now £2.20 per day, £11.00 per week. If you think you may be entitled to free school meals for your child, please contact Mrs Pears in the office in confidence. Please note that these should be paid by cash or cheque made payable to 'LCC Waltham Primary School'. Unfortunately we are not able to receive direct payments into the school account for hot dinners as these are payable to Leicestershire County Council.

Mrs Francks

We were delighted to hear this week that our former Senior Lead teacher Mrs Francks has had a baby daughter, Millie Hazel Francks. Mum and baby are both doing well.

Wishing you a happy weekend and thank you for your continuing support.



Mrs J V Hopkins,
Executive Head teacher.