



Dear Parents

## Centenary Week

Next week, as a school, we are commemorating the centenary of WW1. Our children will be involved in a range of activities throughout in order to develop a greater knowledge and understanding of this important event.

## Year 5/6 Football

On Wednesday, Bourne Westfield sent two Year 5/6 football teams to compete in the South East Lincolnshire Agilitas Sports Competition at The Deepings School. Our A team showed excellent resiliency to top their first group and eventually finished second overall. They were incredibly unfortunate not to win the competition. The B team showed tremendous teamwork which led to them finishing fourth. Throughout the tournament, both sets of players demonstrated a high level of skill and produced some fantastic football. Everyone who took part was a magnificent representative of our school values and should be proud of the hard work they displayed in each match - well done!

## Congratulations

### Our Stars

A huge 'congratulations' to our special stars this week. To achieve this award, children have tried very hard to excel in an area of their learning or behaviour. Our stars this week are:

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| <b>Reception</b> | Edward Riley      | Ella Roberts       | Lydia Wilmot    |                      |
| <b>Year 1</b>    | Louis Chamberlain | Elizabeth Lawrence | Skyla Rae Mears |                      |
| <b>Year 2</b>    | Lily Azzopardi    | Martha Bilton      | Olivia Laud     |                      |
| <b>Year 3</b>    | William Wrigley   | Declan Enderby     | Jake Gaunt      |                      |
| <b>Year 4</b>    | Charlotte Mason   | Alfie Markham      | Keira Pick      |                      |
| <b>Year 5</b>    | Connor Brenchley  | Athena Munford     | Amy Barrett     | Charlie Cross        |
| <b>Year 6</b>    | Archie Bridle     | Amelia Borowiak    | Max Penney      | Zarena Heywood-Malik |

We are delighted to present an Arts Star Award to **Poppy Alwin**.

### Attendance

Congratulations to the following classes who were winners for the week commencing 15<sup>th</sup> October.

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| Gold Trophy    | Mr Bostock's Class (98.67%)             |
| Silver Trophy  | Mrs Knott's Class (98.39%)              |
| Attendance Ted | Mr Gilbert's Class (100%)               |
|                | Mrs Chatham & Mrs Bell's Class (98.33%) |

### Amazing Achievements

Well done to the following:

**Daisy Witts-Groves** who organised a 5-mile ramble in aid of Countryfile Children in Need and raised £321.25

## **School Information**

### **Gaming Awareness - Fortnite - Is it safe?**

The chances are your children have heard of or are already playing this hugely popular game on their smartphones, computers or games consoles. But is it safe?

The free to play Battle Royale game involves 100 people being dropped from a plane on to an island where you can work alone or in teams to be the last one standing. Along the way you need to find items to help you survive and destroy your opponents.

It is rated PEGI 12 but the game play is simple and very appealing. Although it does involve weapons and killing, the action is quite cartoonish and does not show lots of blood and gore. However, we would encourage children to only play games rated at an age appropriate level.

The main concern with this game is the online chats so your child may be talking to strangers. If your child does play Fortnite, play with them or make sure you are in the room and have the volume off so they don't hear the chat. Talk to them about the dangers of engaging in conversations with strangers. You can turn off the voice chat option by going to settings then audio settings.

To improve your chances of winning the game, there are lots of upgrade opportunities in the form of in-app purchases and extension packs which can cost over £100. Don't allow your bank card details to be stored on the iPad, console or computer.

Even if you don't allow your child to play these games, they may come into contact with them outside the home. Please ensure that you have regular conversations about e-Safety and what to do if children see or hear something that upsets them online.

### **Poetry competition**

We have already had several entries for our Remembrance poetry competition. The five winning entries will be read at the Town Hall on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> November as part of the Town Hall Centenary evening. The deadline for receipt of entries is Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November.

As part of the Centenary celebrations the Town Hall are producing a booklet to be sold over the Remembrance weekend. All proceeds of which will go to the Royal British Legion. We have been asked to contribute some poems for this booklet. The poems we have already received will automatically be put forward and if your child did want a chance to become a published poet, their poems must be in school by 9:00am on Monday and handed in to the class teacher or at the school office.

### **Year 1 - Walk around Bourne - Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November**

A reminder, that as part of our topic work on the local area and Remembrance, we will be taking the children on a walk around Bourne to look at local landmarks and the War Memorial. Children must have a waterproof coat in school. If you are available to help support this visit, please have a word with your child's class teacher in the first instance.

### **Year 5 - Visit to Bourne War Memorial - Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November**

On the afternoon of Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November, children in Year 5 will be walking to the War Memorial next to the Wellhead Park to look at the poppies that will be laid this Sunday. They will return to school for normal dismissal time. If you are available to help support this visit, please have a word with your child's class teacher in the first instance.

### **Year 6 - Visit to Bourne War Memorial - Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November**

Next Wednesday morning at 11:00am, children in Year 6 will be walking to the War Memorial next to the Wellhead Park. Children will return to school in time to eat lunch. If you are available to help support this visit, please have a word with your child's class teacher in the first instance.

### **Shakespeare for Schools Rehearsal Reminder**

A reminder that there is an additional rehearsal for the Shakespeare cast this Saturday (3<sup>rd</sup> November) in the school hall from 9am - 12pm. Please can ensure that your child is available on this date. Children do not need to wear school uniform and can bring a drink and snack. The front entrance of the school will be used for both dropping off and collection of children.

### **Poppy Appeal and Royal British Legion Raffle**

A reminder, that we are selling poppies at school in the lead up to Remembrance Day. We would encourage children to bring a small donation (20p minimum) to give to this worthwhile cause. Our poppy sellers are visiting all classrooms daily in the lead up to Remembrance Day.

In addition, we will be running a raffle to raise money for the Royal British Legion, as part of the WWII centenary commemoration. The prize will be a hand embellished print by local artist, Helen Graham. Tickets can be purchased from the school office for £2/strip at the end of the school day from Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November. If you wish, you can also send money in an envelope with children - please ensure this is clearly marked with your child's name, class and Royal British Legion Raffle. The raffle will be drawn on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November.

### **Bag2School**

Bag2school bags have been sent home to all families today with details on how this works. If you have any items that you would like to donate, please drop these at the front of the school on the morning of Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November. Clothes, shoes, hats, belts, handbags and soft toys are all items that are accepted.

### **'Understanding Your Child' sessions (Solihull Approach)**

There are a few spaces still available on the above course at Bourne Westfield. Parents found this course very beneficial last year and we look forward to delivering another - but this time in the evening! It will start on **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November** (times to be confirmed) and run for 10 weeks at a subsidised charge of £30. Spaces are limited so if you are interested and would like further details please contact Angela Pinchin, Family Liaison Lead, by phone (01778 424152) or e-mail [angela.pinchin@bournwestfield.lincs.sch.uk](mailto:angela.pinchin@bournwestfield.lincs.sch.uk)

### **Bourne Westfield School Lottery**

Congratulations to **Sarah Uglow** and **Linda Rogers** who were winners of the school lottery in the last two weeks. The winnings increase as more people join - if you want to join for just £1 per ticket per week and have a chance of winning the weekly draw, then please go to [www.yourschoollottery.co.uk](http://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk), search for Bourne Westfield and follow the on screen instructions.

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