



The Witton Warbler



5th October 2018

World Mental Health Day 2018

On **Wednesday 10th October**, we are supporting **Young Minds #HelloYellow** campaign by asking pupils to replace one item of their uniform with a piece of yellow clothing (for instance, pupils could wear a yellow t-shirt instead of a shirt and tie). Yellow hair accessories and hats may also be worn. Please note that, apart from the one item of yellow clothing, pupils must be in uniform. The aim of this campaign is to spread the message that young people are not alone when it comes to mental health. A lesson and an assembly will also be dedicated to raising awareness and will provide students with information and strategies to keep their own minds healthy.

I am sure you'd agree that this is a very worthwhile cause. In order to raise money for Young Minds and our own school mental health fund, we would greatly appreciate any donations. Thank you



Attendance

Well done Year 5 for bypassing our 97% attendance target. Year 6 and Year 7- nearly there; a big push next week.

Attendance up to and including 2018	
Overall attendance	96.8%
Year 5	97.3%
Year 6	96.7%
Year 7	96.5%

Dates for your Diary

- 10 Oct Young Minds #HelloYellow day
- 15 Oct Y5 flu vaccinations
- 16 Oct Y6 to Goodrich Castle (6LM, 6LQ & 6CR)
- 17 Oct Y6 to Goodrich Castle (6LC & 6CB)
- 23 Oct 7JC Parents/Carers Assembly at 2.35pm
- 26 Oct Witton Family Fun Run from 12.30pm.**
- 26 Oct School closes at 3.00pm – half term
- 5 Nov Teacher Training Day (School closed)
- 6 Nov School starts at 8.25am
- 27 Nov 7CW Parents/Carers Assembly at 2.35pm
- 5 Dec 7KW Parents/Carers Assembly at 2.35pm ***date change***
- 11 Dec 7BT Parents/Carers Assembly at 2.35pm
- 21 Dec School closes at 3.00pm – end of Autumn Term
- 7 Jan Teacher Training Day (School closed)
- 8 Jan School starts at 8.25am
- 15 Jan 7OA Parents/Carers Assembly at 2.35pm





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Clubs Update	We are now adding Dance Club on to our after school club options. The club will run on Mondays from 3.00pm until 4.10pm, with the first session being on Monday 8 th October.	
Year 5 Photographs	Year 5 photograph orders should be handed into the School Office by Monday 8th October . If you would like to preview the whole class photographs, please call in to the School Office. Late orders must be sent directly to Tempest Photography.	
<p>Pupil recognition-</p> <p>Ready Responsible Respect Safe</p>	<p>The following pupils have been awarded certificates to recognise that they have gone 'Above and Beyond':</p> <p>5JB: Callum Edwards, Daniel Evans, Erin Nicklin</p> <p>5JD: Calvin Dunn, Max Kirkham, Lily Marshall, Alexis Pugh, Yolanda Wamiridza, Samuel Barnett</p> <p>5SO: Penelope Crabbe, Jackson Cundy, Daisy-May Evans-Lochlin, Joseph Steele</p> <p>5AP: James Cowlard, May Wadlow</p> <p>5SW: Hollie Ford, Macy-Louise Parton, Isabelle Cooper, Sophie Edwards, Lilly-Mae Doherty-Lawrence</p> <p>6LC: Milly Beattie, Darwin Brookes, Rory Crawford, Cara Fern, Jem Fowler, Josh Gennard, Eloise Harris, Grace Jelfs, Jaygo Morris, Marcus Osborne, Dan Rogers, Caitlin Valle, Olivia Weatherby, Millie Williams</p> <p>6CB: Jadeen Hawley, Hollie Baker, Robbie Elliot</p> <p>6LM: Roxy Robinson, Holly Duffy, Sydnie-Sade Price, Rhys Maidment, Ana Makejeva</p> <p>6LQ: Evie Felgate, Sadie Summers, Nithin Nair</p> <p>6CR: Medi-Rose Souter-McHugh, Kyle Rooney, Ruby Lines, Ava Goode</p> <p>7JC: Shelby Taylor, Mason Whittington-Perry, Oliver Freeman, Annabelle Dashey, James Lettis, Kyrán Newman, Grace Bradley, Emily Sprague</p> <p>7OA: Skye Kudadirwa, Sally Baker, Jayden Lane, Joe Chetland, Nic Espin, Harvey Winter, Alisha Amphlett</p> <p>7BT: Lucy Bott, Zoe Kirkham, Jack Fletcher, Izzy Sprague</p> <p>7CW: James Rudkin, Josh King, Holly Bourne, Erin Brodrick, Jordan Groves, Madeline Holyfield, Jessica Pearce, Julian Nicklin</p> <p>7KW: Lewis Clarke, Hollie Pheasant, Lucy Davis</p>	
Save the Date	Friday 26th October... Witton Family Fun Run from 12.30pm.	
Headteacher Awards	<p>Milly Beattie 6LC for completing her homework straight away. Well done!</p> <p>Viya Patel 5JB for an outstanding standard of writing.</p> <p>Owen Hancocks 5JB for huge effort in writing a diary entry.</p>	



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Homework

You are able to access your child's homework from our website - just follow this link:

<http://www.witton.worcs.sch.uk/homework/>

Children can also collect worksheets from their class teacher.



We appreciate your feedback

The comments we receive from parents and carers are incredibly helpful to us. They often lead us to make improvements to our systems or to give you more information when this is needed. In order to allow you to give feedback that is informal, non-urgent or even a little bit amusing, we have set up a new email address for this purpose. Please contact us at:

wmsfeedback@witton.worcs.sch.uk

Please remember that if you have a more pressing enquiry, you should still contact the office@witton.worcs.sch.uk

Vacancy

Role	Intervention Teaching Assistant
Tenure	Term Time 39 weeks, One Year Fixed Term Contract
Grade	Scale 2
Hours	25 per week
Salary range	£10,218 - £10,790 per annum

About the role:

Under the guidance and supervision of the Pupil Premium lead teacher, contribute to the planning, delivery and evaluation of learning activities for targeted Pupil Premium and vulnerable pupils to improve progress. This will include the delivery of intervention classes to whole classes, groups and individual pupils as part of the Pupil Premium Strategy to include outdoor learning.

Initially there will be the need to concentrate on basic skills with small groups of targeted children (no more than 6) to pre-teach basic maths and SPaG skills.

The School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young adults and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. An Enhanced DBS will be required for this position.

Closing date for receipt of completed application forms:

12.30pm Monday 15 October 2018

Interviews will be held on 19 October 2018

For further details, please visit our website at www.witton.worcs.sch.uk

Community News

Be a life saver – learn CPR at Droitwich Fire Station on Tuesday 16th October. Various times available, please see the attached flyer.

Hartlebury Castle are hosting a variety of events during half term and have arranged for a visit from Santa in December. See the attached flyer for more details.

Wychavon Vizualize are running a visual arts competition for children in Years 7 – 13. Further details are in the attached flyer.



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Vacancy

Role	Clerk to Governors
Tenure	Term Time and Permanent
Grade	3
Hours	100 per year
Salary range	£1,049 - £1,108 per annum

About the role

The Governing Body of Witton Middle School is looking to recruit an experienced Clerk to the Governors. The Clerk will be accountable to the Governing Body but will also work closely with the Headteacher, providing them with an efficient and professional clerking service.

This will include:

- creating and distributing agendas and supporting documentation for full governor meetings/committee meetings/extraordinary meetings (approximately 16 meetings a year)
- attending all meetings (primarily Thursdays at 6pm) and producing accurate minutes in a timely manner
- providing procedural advice and guidance

The successful candidate will:

- understand the importance of confidentiality
- have strong and effective communication skills
- have experience of minute taking
- be competent in word processing and use of e-mail/internet
- be organised

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Closing date for receipt of completed application forms:

10 am Thursday 18 October 2018

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