



The Witton Warbler



11th January 2019

Welcome Back	Happy New Year to all our parents and carers.											
7OA Parents & Carers' Assembly	Mr Alcorn would like to invite parents and carers of pupils in 7OA to come and see their class assembly on Tuesday 15th January 2019 at 2.35pm. Refreshments will be available.											
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Dates for your Diary	15 Jan 7OA Parents/Carers' Assembly at 2.35pm 21 Jan Young Voices- Genting Arena 21 Jan 5JB & 5SW to Bishops Wood Centre 22 Jan 5SO & 5AP to Bishops Wood Centre 23 Jan 5JD to Bishops Wood Centre 28 Jan Y7 Shakespeare Day 31 Jan 5JB Parents/Carers' Assembly at 2.35pm 1 Feb Book Fair in school 4 Feb Book Fair in school 5 Feb Book Fair in school 6 Feb Book Fair in school 6 Feb Managing Children's Anxiety Workshop 4.00pm to 5.30pm 7 Feb 5JD Parents/Carers' Assembly at 2.35pm 8 Feb Managing Children's Anxiety Workshop 1.30pm to 3.00pm 14 Feb Y7 Poetry Slam with Spoz 14 Feb Short reports home to families 15 Feb Y7 Poetry Slam with Spoz 15 Feb School closes at 3.00pm for half term 25 Feb School starts at 8.25am 27 Feb Managing Children's Behaviour Workshop 4.00pm to 5.30pm 28 Feb Managing Children's Behaviour Workshop 4.00pm to 5.30pm 5 Mar Pupil progress meetings 5.00pm to 7.00pm 7 Mar 5SW Parents/Carers' Assembly at 2.35pm 7 Mar Pupil progress meetings 3.30pm – 5.30pm 14 Mar 5SO Parents/Carers' Assembly at 2.35pm 20 Mar SATs evening for Y6 parents/carers at 3.30pm 20 Mar SATs evening for Y6 parents/carers at 6.00pm 28 Mar 5AP Parents/Carers' Assembly at 2.35pm 12 Apr School closes at 3.00pm for Easter Break 29 Apr School starts at 8.25am											
Lost Property	PE top, black shorts and one orange 'Nike' football boot, size 5, belonging to Joe C. If you know of their whereabouts, please contact the school office.											



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Save the Date	Mothers' Day lunches- Year 5s Wednesday 27 th March Year 6s Thursday 28 th March Year 7s Friday 29 th March Invitations and menus will be sent home in February.	
PTA	Please do consider putting your name forward to help us set up a new 'Friends of Witton' PTA – we really do need to get a few more names together so we can get going! Please contact us at school if there is anything at all you can do to help – we know how busy everyone is but if we all 'muck in' then we can do so much to support the children's learning!	
Young Voices	We have 45 children representing our school at the Genting Arena in Birmingham on Monday 21 st January as part of the Young Voices event. A letter was sent home this week with final details. If you have not received your copy please contact the school office.	
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	
Clubs Update	Clubs will start again next week, 14th January 2019 . In order for your child you must have completed and returned the letter indicating which clubs you are agreeing to the them attending for the whole Spring Term. We have allocated children to clubs where spaces allow and your child should have brought home a copy of your original to confirm which clubs your child is expected to attend. Please contact the school office if you have any questions.	
Headteacher Awards	Bee 6LC for amazing descriptive writing. Jack 6LC for helping a child in need and putting him first.	
Congratulations to...	Ella 7JC and Simaran 6LM who were the winners of the maths ambassadors Christmas puzzles. Hope you enjoyed your prize.	



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Next week's Recognition Focus in School

SMART WALKING – being responsible around school!

Showing that you care for the safety of others and give them the space to move around safely.

1. **Walking calmly (not running)**
2. **On the left**
3. **Using quiet indoor voices.**

Pupil recognition-

Ready Responsible Respectful Safe

The following pupils have been awarded certificates to recognise that they have gone 'Above and Beyond':

5JB: Romeo, Lucy, Lexus

5JD: Sam, Max, Lily

5SO: Kloe, Alan, Abigail, Andrea

5AP: Rhys, Amber, Alice

5SW: Joshua, Archie, Oliver, Toby

6LC: Jack

6AB: Mordecai, Abbi

6LM: Holly

6LQ: Nithin, Sophie, Isabelle, Lorcan, Katie

6CR: Medi-Rose, Alfie

7JC: Andy, Jasmine, Finley

7OA: Harvey, Shai-Dee, Hope

7BT: Lucy, Dillan, Isobel, Catherine

7CW: Jennifer, Oliver, Noah

7KW: Emily, James



Vacancies

Role Lunchtime Supervisor (several positions)

Tenure

Term time and Permanent

Hours

5 per week (1 hour per day)

Salary

£1,634.39 - £1,686.31 per annum

About the role

Required to supervise pupils (aged between 9-12 years) in the Dining Hall, and/or assist in the playground during the lunch period. The position may involve some light lifting.

The successful candidate will have a sense of humour, able to deal with difficult situations in a calm & sensitive manner, work well in a team, hold positive values and have a cheerful disposition.

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 applications: 21 January 2019 at 9 am

For further details, please visit our website at www.witton.worcs.sch.uk or request an application pack from the School Business Manager on 01905 773362.



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Community News

Help UK Air Ambulance Services by recycling your Used Postage Stamps!!!

The UK's Air Ambulance Services are charities which receive no government funding and rely entirely on charitable donations to continue flying and responding to life threatening medical emergencies.

They would like your help to raise funds through the recycling of postage stamps. All funds raised will be donated to the Association of Air Ambulances to be distributed equally to all UK Air Ambulance Services

Whether they're British or overseas, new or used, send them to the Air Ambulance Stamp Appeal and they'll turn them into funds to keep the UK Air Ambulance Services responding to life threatening medical emergencies.

All you need to do is cut or carefully tear the stamped corner from any envelope or packet that you receive in the post and start a collection.

Once you have a large bundle, bag them up and send them to the below address:

Air Ambulance - Stamp Appeal
59 Mitre Copse, Bishopstoke, Near Eastleigh, Hants, SO50 8QE



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