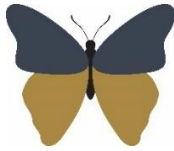


**Welshampton Church of England
Primary School**



**Growing together
in strength, love and wisdom, we shine.**

**Newsletter
Friday 8th May 2026**

Message from the Head

What a brilliant end to the week we have had, celebrating Sir David Attenborough's 100th birthday.

The children looked fantastic and approached the day with real enthusiasm, throwing themselves into the celebrations and learning more about Sir David's extraordinary life as an explorer and champion of the natural world.

It was lovely to see pupils spending time outdoors, engaging with nature and showing genuine curiosity.

There was a real buzz around school throughout the day and the excitement and interest shown by the children made it a very special day.



Who's that behind the mask?!

Super Bird Box Purchase



To celebrate Sir David Attenborough's birthday, Welshampton Friends PTA has purchased a bird box with a live camera for the children to enjoy and learn about birds!

We hope this exciting new addition will be installed around the school grounds in the coming weeks, giving our children the chance to observe nesting birds and nature up close throughout the year.

A huge thank you to everyone who continues to support Friends fundraising and helps us create special learning experiences for our children.

Photography Club



'Worm by the Leaf' by Isabella is a quietly compelling photograph that rewards careful looking. Set close to the ground, the image draws the viewer into the miniature world of the minibeast, elevating something easily overlooked into the clear focus of the frame.

The composition is deceptively simple. The curve of the worm creates a natural visual pathway across the soil, while the surrounding leaves provide contrast in both colour and texture. The earthy reds and browns are grounded and natural, giving the photograph an honest, observational quality rather than anything staged or forced. What particularly impressed the

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judging panel was the sharp focus on the subject itself, allowing the details of the worm's form to stand out clearly against the softer background.

There was a genuine split decision among the judges this week due to the strength of several entries, but Isabella's photograph ultimately stood out for its clarity, subject choice and sense of balance.

A deserved winner and an excellent example of careful observation transformed into compelling imagery.

Nursery Donation Request

Thank you for all your donation to help us create a brilliant corner of construction in our Nursery.

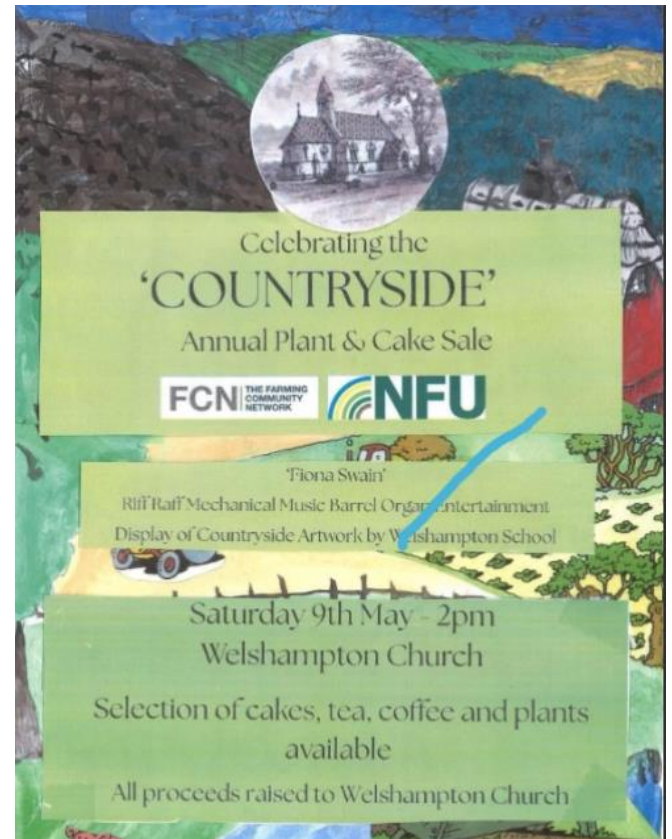


Fantastic Footballers

Our Year 3 and 4 football team showed excellent teamwork, strong skills and a fantastic attitude against St Peters and Newtown on Wednesday. They supported one another brilliantly on and off the pitch and represented the school with pride throughout the afternoon despite some challenging results!

Welshampton's Annual Plant and Cake Sale

Do pop along to the church tomorrow for your plants and a cake. You can also see our children's artwork displayed based on Giuseppe Arcimboldo.



Year 6 SATs

Our Year 6 pupils will be arriving at school at 8.15am from Monday to Thursday next week to enjoy a pre-SATs breakfast. Breakfast will take place in classrooms, supported by Miss Jones, helping children start each day calm, settled and ready to do their best.

Our Year 6 children have worked hard throughout their primary school years and we are now focused on keeping the week calm, normal and positive.

SATs are only a small part of the bigger picture. What matters most is that children feel happy, confident and supported and we are incredibly proud of the effort they show every day. Good luck all!

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Weekly Attendance **Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow...**

Willow Class – 96% ★★
Beech Class - 91% ★
Oak Class - 100% ★★★

Average – 96%

School target – 97%



Shining Stars of The Week!

Willow Class Nursery

Rosa for always trying new activities with a big smile

Willow Class

Emily P for always showing love and wisdom in everything you do!

Beech Class

Our amazing footballers for never giving up.

Oak Class

Rosie for always being a super member of Oak Class



Values Awards

As chosen by our Values Ambassadors

Strength

Max for showing great strength in maths this week.

Love

Ivy for showing great LOVE to all her friends.

Wisdom

Martha for always being wise!



Headteacher's Award

A big shout out to all our Cross Country Crew who did so well this week but a special mention to Michael for coming 3rd overall in the Year 3/4 Cross Country competition!



Outside Achievements



Jack Lipson, Luke Dimelow and Oskar Norejko had a fantastic weekend on rugby tour with Whitchurch RFC in Cannock, taking part in outdoor activities before competing at the Burton Blast Festival against teams from across the Midlands and North West, losing just one game. Special mention to Jack, who supported his team throughout the tour despite having a broken arm (not rugby related!).

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This week Grayson made his debut at his first ever Championship dog show for the Junior handlers association (JHA) & Young Kennel Club members.

Grayson was placed 3rd with his English toy terrier called 'Grayswish Time of my life' aka Siren. Huge congratulations Grayson!

(Grayson placed 1st for style as judged by me!)

Have a wonderful weekend!

Kind regards,
Mr Crompton

Key School Dates

May

May 11th – 14th KS2 SATs Week

June

June 8th – 12th Year 1 Phonics Assessment Week
 June 8th – 12th Year 4 Multiplication Check Week
 June 19th Father's Day Event
 June 26th Sports Day – 9:00am

July

July 14th Summer Performance
 July 17th Leavers Service – 9:15am
 July 17th Break Up for Summer

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 Friday 8th May
 Friday 15th May

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 (1 hour 15 minutes)

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- Morris Dancing (Saturday)
- Maypole Dancing (Saturday)
- Wreath Poet Blend
- Pre-washed Clothing & Hardware
- Dog Show (Sunday) Entry to charity
- Chopchop Farm Ice Cream
- Children's Activity Area
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- Model Flying Display
- Floral Display in the Church
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