

Wellow School

WEEKLY BULLETIN

Friday 11th September 2026

Welcome back to a new school year! It has been wonderful to visit all of the children in their new classes this week and see the enthusiasm and positivity with which they have started the term.

On Monday, we came together for our Communication Launch Assembly, where we introduced this term's overarching theme of Communication. Each year group's topic learning will connect to this theme in different and engaging ways, helping children to explore how communication shapes our lives and how it has changed through time. We look forward to welcoming you to our Step Into the Classroom events later this term, where you will have the opportunity to see this learning in action and celebrate the children's achievements.

To find out more about what your child will be learning this half term, please follow the link to the school website [here](#) and read their class Curriculum Newsletters. These newsletters provide additional information about the topics, experiences and key learning that will take place over the coming weeks.

Mrs Bodman

Happy to be me
Reception - Autumn 1

"Happy to be me" is a thematic unit driven by a 100% focus. Children will focus on senses and look at ways in which we are all the same and ways in which we are different. The children will also look at "What's in my family?" before looking at groups and communities.

Exhibit

- Start to recognise some letters and sounds
- Recognise the initial sound of some words
- Read and retell simple stories
- Use and apply some language which relates to current text or theme

Maths

- Identify 1 to 5
- Recognise different ways to make numbers to 5
- Make simple repeating patterns
- Use basic language related to length and height

PE

- Show sympathy to their own and to others' needs
- Recognise that bodies can do lots of different things
- Know why it is important to be physically active
- Shows awareness of physical differences

Music

- Using a range of well known nursery rhymes and songs
- Perform songs, rhymes and stories with others
- When appropriate to rhyme in time with music

Art

- Use a variety of materials, tools and techniques, experimenting with colour, design, texture, form and function
- Know that painting and drawing are fundamental art techniques
- Know the names of basic art tools e.g. paintbrush, palette etc.

Happily Ever After
Year 1 - Autumn 1

"Happily Ever After" is a thematic unit based around fairy tales, with a key focus on literacy and drama. It is designed to enable pupils to develop a love of stories, as well as providing a vehicle for communication through creative arts work.

Computing

- Children will be introduced to the concept of algorithms, with a focus on sequencing and logic. They will learn to use simple logic to create a sequence of steps that can be followed to solve a problem.

Design and Technology

- Pupils will be using the knowledge from their project in this unit. They will be introduced to the concept of a design brief, and will learn to use this to create a design for a product. They will also learn to use a range of materials and tools to create their design.

PE

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Inter-Nation Media Station
Year 2 - Autumn 1

"Inter-Nation Media Station" is a thematic unit based around the history and development of communication, leading to the invention of the telephone and radio. Pupils will develop confidence in using, through opportunities to work on their own projects.

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That's all Folks!
Year 3 - Autumn 1

"That's all Folks!" is a thematic unit based around the history and development of animation and cartoons. It teaches the beginnings of animation, looking at movies and the history of the film industry. The process of animation is explored further, with an opportunity for pupils to create their own design ideas and create their own animated film.

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Lightning Speed
Year 4 - Autumn 1

"Lightning Speed" is a thematic unit based around the history and development of the internet and World Wide Web, with a focus on computing. It primarily looks at how computers communicate, the importance of networks, how email works and how the internet enables collaboration.

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Mission Control
Year 5 - Autumn 1

"Mission Control" is a thematic unit based around the subject of Earth and beyond, with a key focus on science and history. Pupils learn about the Earth, Sun and Moon and their relationship to each other, before looking at more about space exploration and space technology.

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A World of Bright Ideas
Year 6 - Autumn 1

"A World of Bright Ideas" is a thematic unit which focuses on the creative process of invention and design, with a focus on engineering and technology. Pupils will look at important inventions over time, before moving on to how the internet enables collaboration.

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Safeguarding is our absolute priority. Please act on concerns that you have about any children that you know. If you have a concern about the safety of a child or young person and you want someone to find out what is going on, contact the Hampshire Children's Services Department. Monday to Friday, 8.30am to 5pm, phone 0300 555 1384. At all other times, contact the out-of-hours service, phone 0300 555 1373.

Anyone can make a referral.

At Wellow Primary School, Mrs Larcombe is our Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL), while Mrs Bodman, and Mrs McQueen are the Deputy DSLs. Please remember anyone can make a referral and safeguarding is everyone's concern.

ATTENDANCE

Attend today, achieve tomorrow...

Be Ready, Be Respectful
Be Safe

Your commitment to preparedness, kindness, and responsibility sets a shining example for others and contributes to a positive and supportive environment.

This week's shining examples are:

- Year R - Madeleine
- Year 1 - Olivia
- Year 2 - Manny
- Year 3 - Mabel
- Year 4 - Carter
- Year 5 - Chloe
- Year 6 - George

 **WELLOW**
PRIMARY SCHOOL

This week...	
Reception	93.06%
Year One	96.43%
Year Two	96.79%
Year Three	98.06%
Year Four	98.71%
Year Five	97.42%
Year Six	98.97%

This week's attendance

97.1 %

We are aiming for at least

96.1 %

Unauthorised absences this year

8 days

**of learning have been lost
this year because of
unauthorised absences**



Step into School

We would like to invite you into your child's classroom to share part of your child's learning journey.

Each class will open its doors for you to join a morning lesson 9-9:45am. In order to accommodate as many parents as possible, we will run two mornings per class.

A booking link will be emailed out.

Please note there is only enough space for one parent per child



Monday 5 th October	Tuesday 6 th October	Wednesday 7 th October	Thursday 8 th October	Friday 9 th October	Monday 12 th October
Year 4	Year 4	Reception	Reception	Year 1	Year 1
Year 5	Year 5		Year 2	Year 2	
	Year 6	Year 6		Year 3	Year 3



We look forward to seeing you!





Outdoor Learning

Children in years 2-6 will be taking part in Outdoor Learning again this year. We ask children to come to school in plain black leggings/joggers and a plain black long sleeve top. Please ensure children have weather appropriate layers and waterproofs where necessary.

Year 2 - Wednesday 21st October

Year 3 - Wednesday 14th October

Year 4 - Monday 12th October

Year 5 - Wednesday 7th October

Year 6 - Tuesday 13th October



Diary Dates

Remember you can link your own calendar to sync with the school dates at
<https://www.wellow.hants.sch.uk/Calendar/>

September

Friday 25th - Y3/4 Orienteering Festival (selected children only)
Monday 28th - Yrs 1-6 Cross Country
Wednesday 30th - Y2 Gymnastics Festival

October

Thursday 1st - Harvest Festival at Wellow Church TBC
Monday 5th - Yrs 1-6 Cross Country
Wednesday 7th - Y5 Outdoor learning
Wednesday 7th - Y6 Bronze Ambassador Training (selected children only)
Monday 12th - Y4 Outdoor learning
Monday 12th - Yrs 1-6 Cross Country
Tuesday 13th - Y6 Outdoor Learning
Wednesday 14th - Y3 Outdoor learning
Friday 16th - Y5/6 Multi Sports Leadership Festival (selected children only)
Wednesday 21st - Y2 Outdoor learning

Half Term

Monday 26th - Friday 30th October 2026

November

Friday 6th - Y3/4 and 5/6 Tag Rugby Festival (selected children only)
Friday 13th - Y5/6 Girls Football competition
Monday 16th - Individual photo's
Thursday 19th Flu vaccinations
Friday 20th - Y1/2 Multi Skills Festival (selected children only)
Friday 27th - Y5/6 Hockey Festival

December

Friday 4th - Y5/6 Basketball competition (selected children only)
Thursday 10th - Christmas Jumper day
Tuesday 15th - Christmas lunch

Christmas Holidays

Monday 18th December - Friday 1st January 2027

Inset day 2026/27

- Tuesday 1st September
- Monday 4th January
- Monday 12th April
- Monday 7th June
- TBC

*All sporting competitions are held at The Mountbatten School unless stated otherwise. All will be communicated via email to those children that have been selected to take part (due to limited spaces).

OPEN EVENTS



2027/2028 ADMISSIONS

Do you have a child due to start school in September 2027?
 Contact our school office to book onto a tour of our local school.

Wednesday 21st October 9:30am

Tuesday 3rd November 9:30am

Monday 9th November 9:30am

Thursday 19th November 1:30pm

Friday 27th November 9:30am

Thursday 3rd December 5:00pm



**BOOK
NOW!**

SCHOOL OFFICE



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schooloffice@wellow.uwinat.co.uk



WELLOW
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Forest School Weekend

Is your child starting Year R in September 2027?

Would you like to come and join us for a free Wellow Forest School session?

- We would like to invite 2027 starters, who are interested in joining our school in September, to come along and visit the school glade and experience a taster of our Forest School sessions.
- Come along and try some Forest school activities, explore our woodland area and facilities and meet some of the Wellow school staff.

Dates available:

- Saturday 14th November 2026 10:00 - 11:15**
- Saturday 21st November 2026 10:00 - 11:15**

****Please note place for a school starter + one adult**



To register your interest, please contact the school office on schooloffice@wellow.uwinat.co.uk or 01794 322201



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WELLOW SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

QUIZ NIGHT

FOR FAMILIES OF WELLOW SCHOOL

FRIDAY 9TH OCTOBER

19:30 - 22:30 at Wellow School hall

Early bird £10pp* (min 2 per team) OR

Early bird £50 per team* (max 6 per team)

Bring your own drinks, snacks and pens.

Please note, this event is 18+

*Price increase £12pp/£60pt on 5th Oct
Register all teams by 7th Oct
Option to be placed in a team by us

BOOK YOUR SPACES HERE:

