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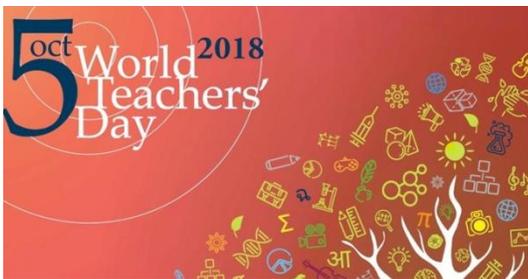
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5th October 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

Today is a very special day, **World Teachers' Day**. This is held annually on 5th October, to celebrate teachers across the globe and focuses on 'appreciating, assessing and improving the educators of the world'. Today provided the children and staff an excellent opportunity to celebrate all of the learning experiences across the school, where we focus on acquiring **knowledge**, practising key **skills** and developing greater **understanding** throughout our curriculum. We know that we have an exceptionally talented, dedicated and hard-working staff at our school and they lead the learning and develop our exciting curriculum. Our trade mark words **OPPORTUNITY**, **INSPIRATION** and **CELEBRATION** are incorporated into our learning culture and help generate a love of learning for both the children and staff.



The children were challenged today to think of just one teacher who has inspired them to develop their own learning, someone who has asked the right questions to make them truly think and challenged them to expand their mind and viewpoints. We can all remember one teacher who has been inspirational to us. Who is yours? Why not talk to your child/children about them tonight and how they inspired you.

After all, 'real heroes don't wear capes, they teach'!

PARENT CONSULTATION EVENING

In line with us celebrating World Teacher's Day and the children having the opportunity to thank teachers who have inspired and supported them to make progress, please ensure you have **Wednesday 17th October 2018** in your diary to be able to attend your child's or children's Parent and Teacher Consultation Meeting from 1:30pm – 7:00pm.

This is a vital opportunity for you to share your child's learning and progress and meet with the class teacher to discuss how your child has settled in and talk about their next steps in learning.

Appointments can be made from 8.00pm on Monday 8th October and will close on Monday 15th October at 12.30pm. To book an appointment time with teachers please follow the link (<https://wimbledonchase.parentseveningsystem.co.uk>) or go to our school website.

We look forward to welcoming you into school and celebrating your child's/children's progress.

INTERNATIONAL WEEK

This year we will be celebrating International Week during the week beginning 15th October. There will be lots of exciting activities throughout the week with children travelling 'Around the World', visiting different countries within their phase group, learning about the different countries and their cultures. Children are invited to come into school on **Friday 19th October** dressed in the colours of their country's flag or their country's traditional dress. We look forward to seeing the school full of colour!

The children will also be finding out the location of the countries on a world map and globe, learning to say 'hello' and 'thank you' in the country's language and listening to some traditional music. There will be a variety of other activities taking place throughout the



day, including traditional arts and crafts, sport, dancing and stories from other cultures.

The recent census of our school population shows that we speak **60 different languages** across our school community and we look forward to learning new words from our 'expert' friends whose family originate from a different country.



We are looking for parents who can help us enjoy an unforgettable experience as we celebrate the rich multi-cultural diversity in our school. Please let us know if you are interested in sharing your cultural heritage and traditions through arts, crafts, food, sports, music, traditional dress or traditional games. Please speak to your child's class teacher if you are able to support this amazing learning experience for our children.

AUTUMN TERM COMMUNITY DAY

The **Autumn Community Day** has been set for **Saturday 17th November**.

As a school community, we are all so proud of our fantastic learning environments at the school and we need your help with upkeep and enhancing the outdoor spaces. If you are a keen gardener, a DIY expert, are handy with a paint-brush or just happy to get your hands dirty to support our school, please add the date to your diary. In addition to developing the children's learning experiences, this is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate our community ethos and make new friends.



FRIENDS' DANCEATHON

Last Saturday, the school hosted the WCPS 5 Mile Moves sponsored Danceathon 2018.

Thank you to the Friends organisers who did such an amazing job of marketing the event and co-ordinating the day, as well as school staff who helped set up. In addition, there must be a huge thank you to Tracy, the dance specialist, who put the participants through a high energy and fun class.

The day was a huge success and got everyone dancing and laughing throughout. The money raised is still being counted and we will report the total once this is finalised.

ZUMBA

If you loved the Danceathon last weekend, why not try out our new Zumba class for adults at Wimbledon Chase every Monday from 7.30pm until 8.30pm. The classes are run by Diego Ramirez Bonilla, a very talented dancer from Colombia, in the main hall. All levels are welcome and you need no prior experience. This is a great class, high in energy, where you will gain fitness and have fun.

Classes are priced at £8 per class or £70 for 10 classes. No bookings necessary. If you have any questions, please contact Diego on 07932 246147.

Remember, why not talk to your child/children about an educator who inspired you and why. It could have been someone such as a teacher from school, a driving instructor, a lecturer, a language tutor or even a dance instructor. Why were they such a 'superhero' to you?

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'B. Foley'.

Mr B. Foley
Headteacher