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Dear Parents,

100th Birthday Celebrations

You will by now know that it is the school's **100th Birthday on Friday 8th March**! We have organised some celebratory events, some for the children at school and some that include the parent community (Please see the list of events here)

The range of celebrations are:

Identity - Children's Art Exhibition

Tuesday 5th & Wednesday 6th March: 7.45am to 8.45am & 3.30pm to 6.30pm

Thursday 7th March: 7.45am to 8.45am

This will be in the **school hall** and is an exhibition of the children's art work on the theme of Identity (Nursery to Year 6).

You can visit with your child or come on your own to see the exhibition.

Historic Exhibition and Headteacher's Photo Booth

Tuesday 5th & Wednesday 6th March: 7.45am to 8.45am & 3.30pm to 6.30pm

Thursday 7th March: 7.45am to 8.45am

This will be in the **school library** where you can look back at the school archives to get a glimpse of the school over its 100 years (Nursery to Year 6). You can also take a photo in the Headteacher's Photo Booth, where your child (or you, or both!) can have a photo sat at the Headteacher's desk!

Celebration Tea Towels for sale

Tuesday 5th March to Friday 8th March

We have some **Celebration Tea Towels** which are decorated with self-portraits of the children. There are three tea towels that you can buy, Phase 1, Phase 2 or Phase 3. The tea towels will cost **£4.50** and will be available to purchase before and after school near the School Office (card or cash payments acceptable).

100 Poster

Friday 8th March

Our **House Ambassadors** will be inviting children and parents to sign the **100 poster** at drop off outside the School Office on the school's actual birthday! They hope that all of our community will be able to sign the poster!

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Dress Up Day

Friday 8th March

Pupils (Nursery to Year 6) are invited to come to school on the actual birthday, **dressed in clothes that represent a different decade**. You can find some <u>ideas on the school website</u> but it can be anything from the 1920's up until the present day! We will then, during the day, be having a birthday assembly where the children can see each other's costumes, they will be singing the school song together, performing a birthday dance (taught by the children), as well as seeing the unveiling of the birthday flag and watching the planting of a celebration rose.

We know that the schools birthday celebrations clash with **World Book Day** on Thursday 7th March. So for this year we will be having our special Wimbledon Chase World Book Day, including The Great Wimbledon Chase Book Swap in the **last week of term**. The children will be invited to dress up as a book character on <u>Thursday 28th March</u>, the last day of term (more information to follow).

Performance for Parents

Friday 8th March 2.45pm to 3.20pm (weather permitting if postponed we try again the following Friday)

The children (Reception to Year 6) will be performing a birthday celebration in front of the school before the end of the day on Friday 8th March for parents who are available to watch. Parents should arrive for 2.45pm and go onto the school front field. The children will assemble in front of the school for their performance which will be about twenty minutes. They will then be taken back to class before normal end of day arrangements.

The Friends will be making tea, coffee and cupcakes, stall available for parents and children (cup – cakes are £1).

Wimbledon Chase 100th Birthday Commemorative Badge

Each child will be given a Wimbledon Chase 100th Birthday Commemorative Badge as a memento. The badge will be given to the children to come home with on the school's birthday. Please note that we will not be able to replace any badges should the children misplace them. The Friends have kindly funded the badges.

I hope that you will be able to be involved in the celebrations in some way, however, we will be taking lots of photographs to share with you if you are unable to make it.

A summary of the events can be found on the school website here.

Happy Birthday WCPS!



Best wishes

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