

Welburn Hall Weekly

Friday 22nd January 2021

Hello everybody, we wish you a belated Happy New Year and hope that you managed to make the most out of your seasonal break.

After an extremely busy fortnight we are back up and running with our first Newsletter of 2021. We need not fill our newsletter with information that you have probably already seen in the media or received via email, so here are a few snippets of the

"Good stuff" from this week



Some of our college students have had free run of the house on an evening and have made the most of it by cooking their own teas, watching films and participating in games of table tennis and hide and seek in the dark with the Care Team...

Rather them than me on the latter!







Lower Informal are learning about the stick man in class so they have decided to collect sticks to make their own stick men, then they built a 'Stick Man' family tree. Pupil voice: "stick man likes his house"

We have also been trying our new recipes for play dough this one is cornflour and hair conditioner.

Pupil A: "it smells good!"
Pupil B: "it is nice and soft"





This week Lower Formal have been looking at the following subjects:

Maths - Measure - height, length etc, English - The Superworm and Julia Donaldson books and rhyming verse. Geography - different types of Settlements and examples of each. Performing Arts - Describe and make up a character for a script.

PHSE - Food Groups, and a three-course menu for an athlete ICT - Poster on Health and Safety.

Our pupils have had fun in the snow creating giant patterns and as you may have seen on Facebook at the beginning of the week, we had some particularly great snowmen and even a snow baby!

They have been on bike rides in and around the grounds and learned how to play logical thinking games such as chess.

Some made their own pizzas, a couple participated in a Joe Wicks workout session with our TA Robert, all of this and they still managed to find the time to provide animal care.

Fabulous job everyone!!!

Outside information



Simply email a photo of your poem to: charlotte.firth@northyorks.gov.uk

Please include the pupil's name, age, and details of the school they attend. You are able to name the poem something different to Healthy Eating, but this must still be the main focus.

Please can you limit the number of lines to a maximum of 20 lines per poem, and one poem per pupil.

Deadline: 20:00 on Saturday 23rd January 2021

The winners will be announced on Monday 8th February 2021 and the winning poems will be published on our website and social media.

As some of you may have seen on TV, BT have introduced several new schemes as part of an initiative to help disadvantaged pupils continue to learn during lockdown. Here is one that we think may be of interest:

Free Wi-Fi Voucher codes

Schools can apply for a limited number of free Wi-Fi voucher codes for aged 16 and under pupils who are most in need who don't currently have adequate access to internet connectivity at home. Vouchers will be allocated in proportion to the number of pupils at a school who are eligible for free school meals. Each Wi-Fi voucher code will allow access to the internet on up to three devices at a time, for free, until the end of July 2021. Access will be provided through BT's network of over 5 million Wi-Fi hotspots around the country and includes comprehensive content filtering.

Although BT Wi-Fi coverage is extensive, it doesn't reach every address so won't be a suitable solution for all pupils. To avoid disappointment, please check that coverage is available at your home address before you ask school to apply for a code. This can be done using the link https://www.btwifi.com/find/

A 'heat map' will be shown using colours to denote hotspot density in the postcode area. Red shows areas with the best chance of connection, whereas green shows a lower chance. Areas on the map where no colour is shown, means there is no hotspot coverage.

Schools in England, Wales and Scotland can apply directly to BT for free Wi-Fi voucher codes. We can only accept applications from schools and not directly from pupils, parents or guardians"

If you are interested in this then please complete a hotspot check for your area and (if you are eligible) call to let us know on 01751 431 218 or email the admin team atadmin@welburn-hall@n-yorks.sch.uk and we will complete an application form on your behalf. Could all requests please be in by the 28th January 2021.



Would you like to learn techniques to improve your wellbeing?

Small Steps to Wellbeing Starts 8th February 09:30 - 12:30 every Monday for 3 weeks.

During this course you will develop skills to change your mindset into a more positive one. You will explore the use of existing strengths, coping strategies and learn relaxation techniques to improve your emotional health and wellbeing.

This course will be delivered online via Skype/Zoom with a teacher. You will need access to the Internet and an email account. You will also need access to a laptop, tablet or smartphone. You will have the opportunity to contribute to group discussions across the County.

For more information and to book online visit our Health and Wellbeing courses https://ebsontrackprospect.northyorks.gov.uk/page/findcourse

Call our Adult Learning Team on 01609 536066 Email: adultlearningservice@northyorks.gov.uk

That's it from us this week. Have a lovely Weekend 😂