

EARDISLEY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Giving Children Roots and Wings



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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER 26th October 2018

Dear Families

Diwali Day

On Tuesday the whole school had a super morning learning all about Diwali- the Hindu festival of Light. The children worked in their house groups with Mrs Mills, Mrs Mealand and Miss Evans to make Diwali lanterns, Diva lamps and Rangoli patterns. With Mrs Small they learned the story of Diwali and had fun putting the pictures in a sequence. We all came together at the end of the day to learn more about how Hindus celebrate their festival and to think about the main message of 'good winning out'. We thought in turn about how we are grateful for our friends.

Remembrance

You will have seen our magnificent outdoor display of poppies – and we would very much like to invite you to join us for our Remembrance Ceremony on **Friday 9 November at 10.50 am for an 11.00 start** in the school hall. We hope to be joined by members of the Eardisley community and will be serving tea and coffee afterwards. Mr Brain will be playing the Last Post and the children will all be able to lay an individual poppy petal at our display.

Thank you, FOES, for giving us a special Halloween day to end the half term. The children loved dressing up!

Wishing you all a very happy half-term break.

Bridget Knight

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NOTICES AND INFORMATION

School Garden

A big thank you to Jackie Whittall who has valiantly run Gardening Club and taken control of the School Garden over the last few years and especially thank her for giving the children some great experiences in the natural world.

Mitchell Hamer

Well done to all our enthusiastic football and netball players for their great efforts at Mitchell Hamer this week. Everyone played well and was a credit to the school. Congratulations to Hattie B for winning the medal for playing with such a good sporting attitude.

Poppies



Poppies will be available to buy in school during the week we return from half term. If you wish, please let your child bring some money into school (in a named purse or envelope please) to enable them to purchase a poppy. Thank you.

Calling all Year 6 Parents and Carers (and all Year 5 Parents and Carers Welcome!)

Mrs Knight and Mrs Small will be hosting a SATS Meeting on Tuesday 4 December at 3.30-4.30 at the school. This will be a really useful opportunity to find out more about what the SATs are, what they look like and how you can help your child.



When your child returns to school after half term, please ensure that they bring with them:

- Water bottles, marked with your child's name – only to contain water please, no squash or juice. Please refresh

with water each morning and if they need more they can top up from our water cooler.

- Coats – now the weather will be cooler please ensure your child has a coat and hat with them
- Book Bags
- Any homework set before half term
- PE kit – including joggers and sweat tops suitable for PE outside in the colder weather

And, items not to bring please:

- Toys from home
- Headlice – please check your child's hair over the break and treat if necessary!

Thank you.

What's happening the week after half term?

Monday	Computer Club Netball Club	Thursday	Hockey Club
Tuesday	Mother & Toddler Group am Football Club	Friday	10.50 Remembrance Event
Wednesday	FOES meeting 6.30 pm		

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Nov	
7	FOES Meeting 6.30 pm
9	Remembrance event 10.50 am
15	Hi 5 Netball at LHS
16	Children in Need Day
22	Open Afternoon for new Reception children September 2019
23	FOES Family Bingo Night 6.30 pm
Dec	
4	3.30-4.30 Oak Class SATS Meeting with Parents
6	Pantomime in Hereford (whole school)
11	Dress Rehearsal KS1 Nativity
12	KS1 Nativity
18	KS 2 Carol Service
19	Christmas Lunch
20	KS1 Trip to Clearwell Caves

FAMILY BINGO NIGHT



at
Eardisley School
Friday 23rd November 2018
at 6.30pm



Warm Home Discount is available to those on a low income, and in receipt of certain means-tested benefits



Keep Herefordshire
Warm

Keep Herefordshire Warm is a partnership between Herefordshire Council and Marches Energy Agency

The Warm Home Discount scheme offers a £140 energy bill discount to low income households. Offered by energy suppliers, many schemes are now open and operate on a first come, first served basis, so Keep Herefordshire Warm is urging residents to act fast to ensure they don't miss out.

The discount is available to those on a low income, and in receipt of certain means-tested benefits. Many smaller suppliers are involved in the scheme this year for the first time; if an energy supplier was part of the scheme on 8 July 2018, residents meeting any of the following criteria may be eligible:

- receives **employment related benefits**;
- is **over 65**;
- **has a disability**;
- a **child under 18 lives** in the household; or
- if the household **spends a significant portion of income on energy bills**

Residents who receive the **Guarantee Credit element of Pension Credit** will automatically qualify for the discount, and will receive a letter from the Department for Work and Pensions later this autumn.

Oliver Rothwell, Project Manager for Keep Herefordshire Warm said:

“With many suppliers announcing price increases over the summer, it’s more important than ever that eligible households claim their discount to help with their heating bills over the winter. We’re encouraging residents to contact Keep Herefordshire Warm without delay, where advisors can discuss the qualifying criteria and make applications on behalf of residents over the phone, should you qualify. Once suppliers have reached their target number for applications, schemes close abruptly - it really does pay off to apply early.”

The Keep Herefordshire Warm team are particularly keen to hear from households where particular health conditions call for extra heat at home, or where fixed low incomes mean affording bills in the colder months can be a real struggle.

As in previous years, the qualifying criteria varies slightly between energy suppliers; those who think they may be eligible can **call Keep Herefordshire Warm** for free on **0800 677 1432**.

If an eligible applicant is successful, £140 will automatically be deducted by the provider from their winter 2018-19 energy bill by the end of March 2019. The Warm Home Discount is separate from, and will not affect, any Cold Weather Payments or Winter Fuel Payments.

Visit the Herefordshire Council website for [information about financial help with energy bills](#), and how to [stay warm, stay well this winter](#).