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**Believe and Achieve**

### Parent Questionnaire: You still have time!

As we begin to make our final preparations for Ofsted, we believe they will inspect the school this academic year, we would like you to complete a parent questionnaire.

**This is your opportunity to have a voice, please use it.**

The Parent mail form link was sent last Monday

All questionnaires should take no longer than 2 minutes to complete.

**All returned questionnaires will go into a raffle to win a One4all Shopping Voucher.**

Closing date for the raffle will be Friday 29th November.



### Special Mentions Assembly

One of the highlights of a normal school week is our Special Mentions Assembly on a Friday. In the assembly, we celebrate all the good things that have been happening throughout the week.

Key Stage Two parents are invited to come on **Friday 22nd November at 2:30pm** in the hall.

We hope you can make it.

### Book Fair

The annual book fair will be taking place this week (Thursday 21st November to Tuesday 26th November).

The fair will take place in the **Holt Hall** from 3:15pm to 4:00pm. There is a wide range of books with many being suitable for Christmas presents.

The books are sold at high street prices with the school receiving a large number of books free depending on sales.

*We hope you will be able to pop in and have a look.*



## Being a Governor at Wembrook Primary School: A day out with Year Two

“Mr Bonner, we are taking Year 2 to The Royal Air Force (RAF) Museum Cosford for a day trip. The head teacher has suggested that I invite you with your experience of being an airman with The Royal Air Force to accompany us. Would you like to come with us?” asked Mrs Tate.

My name is Ian Bonner. I am on The Board of Governors, we help and assist the head teacher, Mr Pearson and the senior management team to ensure that Wembrook Primary School is a good, happy and efficient place to learn, to teach and all the other jobs entailed to keep the school running as smoothly as possible.

I was at school to accompany two of my grandsons home at the end of a school day. I guess a lot of Wembrook’s children know me as Oscars’ grandad!

We used two coaches and the school’s mini-bus to take us to Cosford which is in Shropshire. We set off and arrived mid-morning. RAF Cosford has an active runway and is the base of the Midlands air ambulance helicopters.

Our visit started in the largest display area, a very big silver building where we were shown how to build a paper and card rocket powered by compressed air! We split into pairs and built our rockets, using a bicycle pump we pressurised the launcher and pressed the buttons. We competed for the best design, which rockets flew the furthest, and the best decorative colours. We learnt about “lift” against gravity, and “thrust”, (compressed air) against drag, the friction of the air slowing our rockets.

We then looked at lots of aeroplanes. First two big aeroplanes that are parked outside, a Lockheed C130 transport with four propellers, sometimes used for parachute soldiers, sixty two to jump out of whilst flying. And one of my favourite aeroplanes a Vickers VC10, which has four big jet engines, this one converted into an air to air tanker (a petrol station in the sky!)

We then went inside again and looked at lots of aeroplanes, rockets, missiles, military vehicles including tanks and lots of other things. We learnt how different aeroplanes were designed to do different tasks. Carry passengers, soldiers, motor vehicles or freight. Search and rescue from the seas, to search for enemy submarines, to drop bombs, air to air refuelling and fighter aeroplanes which carry guns and missiles for attacking enemy aeroplanes, ships and soldiers.

We took our lunch break in a class room which had uniforms including hats that airmen and women of the RAF wear when working or parading.

Finally, before we boarded the coaches to return back to school, we had fun in the aeroplane based play ground. The children pretended to be aeroplane pilots refuelling an aeroplane. Instead of radios, there was a speaking and listening tube. Also, there was a giant swing with a long log as a seat; it was long enough for six to sit on!

I enjoyed the day out with the children and staff of year two, and would like to thank them again for such an interesting, fun and enjoyable day.



Starting  
Monday 11th  
November

Free Mental  
Health Support

FREE TO ATTEND,  
JUST TURN UP!!

MALES AGED 18+

SOCIAL & PHYSICAL  
ACTIVITIES

WORKSHOPS,  
SUPPORT & ADVICE

# CHECKMATE

WITH MENTAL HEALTH IN MIND

A safe space for men to find social opportunities, participate in exercise, create friendships and improve their mental health.

**Wembrook Community Centre**

**Mondays**

**Wednesdays**

11.15am - 1.15pm

6pm - 8pm

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