

Wicklea Academy

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Dear Mothers, Fathers, Carers and Local Residents

World Book Day:

Despite the snow, it was lovely to see so many children (and adults!) dressing up for World Book Day. Well done to those children who won certificates in assembly for the effort they had made.



Clubs:

All current school-led clubs will finish week commencing Monday 12th March. During this same week the clubs letter for Terms 5 & 6 will be issued. All reply slips will need to be returned to the school office by Friday 23rd March. They will be collated and reply slips issued during the first week back of Term 5, meaning clubs will start the week commencing 16th April for the last two terms of the academic year.



Doctors Surgery:

I have been contacted by Nightingale Surgery to remind parents not to park in the surgery car park. The practice manager was able to give examples where doctors were prevented from parking in their dedicated spaces and a patient had to be wheeled into the road as there was no way for a vehicle to access the car park safely to collect them. Please respect our neighbours when picking up or dropping off children. Thank You.

Nuts in Packed Lunches:

Please remember not to pack products with nuts in your child's packed lunches as we have children in school with nut allergies. By putting these items in your child's lunchbox you are putting children at risk. Remember this is to save lives and prevent anaphylaxis – it is not school being difficult.



Sickness and diarrhoea:

If your child has sickness and diarrhoea, we would ask you to keep them at home until they are clear of symptoms for 48 hours.

However, children can have isolated incidents of vomiting for a number of reasons and, on many occasions, it is not related to any kind of sickness bug. In such cases, it is not always necessary to keep a child off school for two days.

Therefore, we would ask you to use your knowledge of your child's situation when deciding when to send them back into school. If a child doesn't have a fever, has continued to eat, drink and play with no further signs of illness, we would be happy for you to allow your child back into school the following day. As always, the decision lies with you about assessing whether or not you feel your child is well enough to return to school.

Year 5 & 6 Football:

After four weeks of competition the Wicklea year 5 & 6 football team ended up victorious in their section of the South Bristol School Tournament. Well done to all the boys for their hard work and the excellent team spirit they displayed.



Dates for your diary:

Tues 6th Mar – Y3 Parent Workalongs
Weds 7th Mar – Y3 Parent Workalongs
Weds 7th Mar – Mother's Day Lunch (Y5/Y6 pupils & younger siblings)
Thurs 8th Mar – Mother's Day Lunch (Y3/Y4 pupils)
Thurs 8th Mar – Book @ Bedtime (4.45 – 6pm)
Fri 16th Mar – Last Day of Clubs for term 4
Mon 19th Mar – Last Swimming Session for Willow
Fri 23rd Mar – End of Term 4
Mon 9th Apr – Start of Term 5
Mon 9th Apr – Ash Swimming Sessions Begin
Mon 16th Apr – Clubs Restart

Term dates consultation:

We have received an email from Bristol City Council regarding the consultation for 2019/20 term dates with the following information to share with you, as parents/carers, so you can also respond.

'We endeavour to reach as wide an audience possible with our consultation. With that in mind, parents and carers from your school or Local Authority may be interested in the proposed dates and wish to comment. The consultation will close 16th March 2018. Please copy the link below into your browser to view full details.

<https://bristol.citizenspace.com/people/copy-of-bristol-school-term-and-dates-2019-20/>

Camp Payment Reminder:

Friday April 6th is the final date for Year 5 parents to sign their child up for the Simonsbath camp taking place in October. A £50 deposit is required to secure your child's place.

Friday April 20th is the final date for Year 3 parents to sign their child up for the Hooke Court camp also taking place in October. A £20 deposit is required to secure your child's place.

Remember, that all parents of children attending either of our camps can sign into Parentpay and continue to pay in manageable instalments in order to spread the cost.

Yours sincerely



Matthew Morgan (Head of School)