

# Wicklea Academy

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Dear Mothers, Fathers, Carers and Local Residents

### Well done Year 6:

A huge well done to all of our year 6 children, who have enjoyed showing off all of their hard work over the past few years in their end of key stage assessments. We are immensely proud of all the children arriving at school with a positive can-do attitude and demonstrating determination and resilience every day.

### Change Challenge:

A huge well done to everyone for bringing in your change earlier this month. In total, we raised an incredible £567.53 (23,445 coins)! The winning classes were: 1<sup>st</sup> – Maple, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Yew, 3<sup>rd</sup> – Elm. They have each received a cash prize from the Friends to spend on resources for their class. We look forward to seeing the new popcorn machine at the Summer Fair.



### Dates for your diary:

**Tues 5th June:** Start of Term 6

**Mon 11<sup>th</sup> June:** Father's Day Lunch for Y3 & Y4 pupils

**Weds 13<sup>th</sup> June:** Father's Day Lunch for Y5 & Y6 pupils (and younger siblings)

**Tues 26th June:** Year 3 & 4 Sports Day (9.15am Start)

**Thurs 28th June:** Year 5 & 6 Sports Day (9.15am Start)

**Sat 30<sup>th</sup> June:** Friends of Wicklea Summer Fair (12pm start)

### Author Visit:

Luke Temple will be visiting school on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> May to share some of his stories with the whole school. He will be returning on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May to sign copies of his books during the school day. If your child would like to purchase any of his books and have it signed please look out for the letter coming home on Thursday to order your copies.

### Movie Night:

This Thursday is also the date for the School Council led Movie Night. Doors to the hall will open at 4:30pm and the film is due to finish at 6:30pm. Entry is £2.00, which includes some popcorn and squash.

All proceeds raised are being donated to the School Council charities, The Grand Appeal, Barnardo's, St Brendan's Trust and Save the Children.



### Cycling to School:

With the recent summer weather, it has been great to see so many children scooting and cycling to school. Can I please remind parents and children that bikes and scooters are not to be ridden in the courtyard or anywhere on site.

In addition, they should be taken to the bike shelter as soon as you arrive at school, rather than ridden on the pavement outside the school grounds.



### Farewells:

Sadly, we are saying farewell to two members of staff this Friday as Mrs Clements and Miss Biddlecombe are both leaving Wicklea. Miss Biddlecombe is leaving to further develop her career in education. Miss Rova, will be teaching Ash Class for the remainder of the academic year.

### Sports Days:

Just a reminder that children need to wear a PE t-shirt that corresponds to the colour of their house for sports days in June (More is Green, Brunel is Blue, Fry is Yellow, Red is Cabot). The children can also wear their house colour or plain white t-shirt in PE lessons.



**WhatsApp age change:**

WhatsApp have just announced a change to their terms and conditions for users based in Europe. Users will now need to be 16 to use WhatsApp. Nearly all other social media services require users to be at least 13 years of age to access and use their services. Please see this link for further information:

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/blog/agerestrictions-social-media-services>



Another site to help parents/carers make important decisions about keeping their child safe on line is Net Aware (<https://www.net-aware.org.uk/>). This website has been written following research gaining views from families and children and is exceptionally user friendly.

**INSET day reminder** – There is an INSET day on Monday 4th June so children return to school for term 6 on Tuesday 5th June.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Matthew Morgan'.

Matthew Morgan (Head of School)