# Wicklea Academy

## Newsletter No. 6

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Dear Mothers, Fathers, Carers and Local Residents

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### Friends of Wicklea Christmas Fayre:

The Friends of Wicklea Christmas Fayre will take place this **Friday 2nd between 3.30 - 5.30pm**. Entrance is 50p per adult.



#### **Mobile Phones:**

Please can I remind all parents/carers that for safeguarding reasons mobile phones should not be used within the school at any time. If you do need to use your phone during breakfast club please do so outside. Thank you for your understanding.



#### **Book Fair:**

Thank you to all those parents, carers and children who purchased a book from the travelling book company earlier this month. We took a fantastic £579, meaning we get to spend an impressive £287 on books for Wicklea. Thank you also to those parents and staff that volunteered to run the book fair.

#### Parking Reminder:

There has been an increase recently in parents stopping on the zig-zags and driveway outside of school to drop off children in the mornings. For the safety of everyone please do not stop in these areas at any time.

#### Maple Class Swimming:

Lessons for Maple Class commence on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January. All Maple children will need to bring their swimming kits into school every Monday for the duration of their swimming block. If you are yet to pay your contribution for these swimming lessons, please log into Parentpay by Friday 6<sup>th</sup> January.



Y3/4 – Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December @ 2pm Y3/4 – Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December @ 6pm Y5/6 – Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December @ 2pm Y5/6 – Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December @ 6pm

Babies and toddlers are welcome to accompany their parents to our 2pm performances. Please bring your child back to school at 5:45 for the evening performances in their school uniform and a Christmas hat (optional). Children will go to class to meet their teacher before entering the hall together. Doors open at 5:45.

#### Children in Need:

cake sale.

Thank you for all of your generous donations. There were spots galore on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November! We raised £325, including £90 from the

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#### **Christmas Lunch Reminder:**

Please remember that all forms must be returned by this Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> if your child would like a Christmas Lunch. This is so we can inform our catering staff of numbers. Thank you.

#### Sporting Competitions:

Over the past few weeks children have represented the school at indoor athletics competitions. Both the Year 3/4 and year 5/6 teams finished second overall. The Year 5/6 team's performance was enough to make it through to the area finals night on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December. We are waiting to hear if the year 3/4 team have also progressed to their area final. Congratulations to all pupils that took part and represented the school so well.



#### St Anne's Park Station:

This station was closed back in 1970 and its reopening is due to be considered by Bristol City Council's upcoming high-level feasibility study next year.

A study by the University of the West of England found that there is a significant demand for the station to be reopened; not least due to the impact it could have on reducing congestion in the area. If you wish to sign the petition to support this campaign a paper copy is available in reception or you can go online at: http://epetitions.bristol.gov.uk/epetition\_core/view/st-annes

#### **Out There's Winter Holiday Club:**

Out There' Holiday Club and Forest school will be open from 19th-22nd December running from St Anne's Parish Church . With a daily Forest School session in Nightingale Valley, they'll be braving the winter weather to get children outdoors and active but they also have a lovely and warm indoor space for the children to return to. Children can expect campfires, hot chocolate, marshmallow toasting, den building, outdoor cooking sessions and plenty of winter art and craft activities, as well as lots of opportunities for free play both indoor and out. Out There is Ofsted registered and ran by qualified teachers and Forest School trained staff. If you'd like to book a place, for either childcare requirements or wonderful winter activities, go to www.outtherebristol.co.uk or phone 07954416147

#### Dates for your diary:

Thurs 1<sup>st</sup> Dec: Open Day Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec: Last day of clubs for Term 2 Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec: Friends Christmas Fair (3.30-5.30pm) Mon 5<sup>th</sup> Dec: Last swimming session for Birch Tues 6<sup>th</sup> Dec: Year 3 & 4 Christmas Carol Concerts (2pm & 6pm) Weds 7<sup>th</sup> Dec: Year 5 & 6 Christmas Carol Concerts (2pm & 6pm) Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> Dec: Year 3 Caerleon Trip Weds 14<sup>th</sup> Dec: End of Term 2 report grades sent home Thurs 15<sup>th</sup> Dec: End of Term 2 Fri 16<sup>th</sup> Dec: Inset Day Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan 2017: Start of Term 3 Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> Jan: M&M Productions - Cinderella

Yours sincerely

Matthew Morgan (Head of School)