

Wicklea Academy

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Dear Mothers, Fathers, Carers and Local Residents

Carol Concerts

Tickets have now been dispatched to those that have placed their order. There are still some tickets left for each performance, so if you haven't ordered yours please do so as soon as possible. Please note you must have a ticket to attend a concert.

A reminder of the dates:

Y5 & Y6 – Monday 4th December @ 2pm and 6pm

Y3 & Y4 – Wednesday 6th December @ 2pm and 6pm

Whichever concert you are attending please ensure your child attends both performances. Singing Club singers are asked to attend every performance.



Friends Christmas Fair

Friday 3.30 – 5.30pm

Thank you for all your donations for the tombola and raffle. Any donations of cakes would be gratefully received this Friday. If you can help run a stall please contact the Friends on their Facebook page. Please come along and support the fair this Friday - 50p entrance fee for adults.

Parents' Questionnaire:

Thank you to all the adults who completed the questionnaire during our recent parents' evenings. We are extremely pleased with the results. The full survey is at the end of this newsletter.

If you disagreed particularly in relation to homework or bullying, I would really like to hear from you to find out what we can be doing to improve further. This can be done via a meeting or by writing to me either including your name or anonymously. Your views and suggestions are important to the school. Thank you.

Behaviour & Rewards

Following the introduction of the end of term reward, I have been working with the School Council and House Captains to offer more instant rewards for positive behaviour.

As a result, we have introduced a system where any member of staff can reward a child that demonstrates good behaviour, courtesy or work ethic with a chance card. Once a child receives a chance card, they write their name on the back and put it in their class jar. There is no limit to how many tickets a child can be awarded each day.

Every Friday a ticket will be drawn for each year group and each child who wins gets to choose a prize. Any child who has a number on their chart will still be able to earn chance cards by showing positive behaviour. So far, the children have been very excited about this new system.

Following these changes to rewards, I am currently working on a new strategy for dealing with poor behaviour. This will involve changes to how behaviour is recorded and the consequences children could receive. Further information will be available in the coming weeks.

Children in Need:

Thank you for all of your generous donations to Children in Need. We raised in excess of £180, all of which has been donated directly to the charity.



Clubs:

All clubs finish this week, except computer explorers and musical theatre. A new clubs list will be sent home at the start of January detailing those clubs that will run in terms 3 & 4



Dates for your diary:

Fri 1st Dec – Last day of clubs for term 2
Fri 1st Dec – Christmas Fair
Mon 4th Dec – Last swimming session for Beech
Mon 4th Dec – Y5 & Y6 Carol Concerts
Weds 6th Dec – Y3 & Y4 Carol Concerts
Tues 12th Dec – Christmas Dinner
Thurs 14th Dec – Last day of term 2
Fri 15th Dec – Inset Day
Tues 2nd Jan 18 – Term 3 begins
Weds 3rd Jan 18 – M&M productions 'Dick Whittington'
Thurs 11th Jan 18 – Year 3 trip to Caerleon
Mon 15th Jan 18 – Clubs restart
Tues 16th Jan 18 – Paintworks exhibition begins

Shakespeare for Schools:

The evening of Tuesday 14th November saw the culmination of months of hard work when a group of Year 5 and 6 children performed Shakespeare's Twelfth Night at the Redgrave Theatre in Clifton.

Everyone that attended the performance was hugely impressed with the quality of acting and the manner in which the children handled the Shakespearian language.



A big thank you must also go to Miss Brockett and Miss Bennett for all their hard work in directing the children. Well done to all involved!

Theme Menu:

There will be no theme lunch day in December due to Christmas dinner. Theme menus will return in January.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Matthew Morgan', written in a cursive style.

Matthew Morgan (Head of School)

Parent Questionnaire Results

Question	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
My child is happy at this school	64%	36%	0%	0%
My child feels safe at this school	77%	23%	0%	0%
My child makes good progress	57%	41%	2%	0%
My child is well looked after	68%	32%	0%	0%
My child is taught well	66%	34%	0%	0%
My child receives appropriate homework for their age	34%	57%	9%	0%
School makes sure it's pupils are well behaved	47%	49%	4%	0%
School deals effectively with bullying	40%	51%	9%	0%
School is well led and managed	64%	36%	0%	0%
School responds well to any concerns I raise	49%	51%	0%	0%
I receive valuable information about my child's progress	43%	51%	6%	0%
	Yes	No		
Would you recommend this school to another parent?	100%	0%		