

# Wicklea Academy

## Newsletter No.4

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Dear Mothers, Fathers, Carers and Local Residents

### Christmas Events:

With Christmas fast approaching, it is not long until we are celebrating with our events in school. Please make a note of the following dates:

### Carol Concerts

Y3 & Y4 – Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December @ 2.30pm & 6pm

Y5 & Y6 – Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December @ 2.30pm & 6pm

As with last year each concert is ticketed. If you have reserved tickets you should have received them earlier this week.

**Whichever concert you are attending, please ensure your child attends both evening performances to ensure these are successful.**

### Christmas Lunch

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December – **please return your order form by Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> December and have credit on your ParentPay account to pay for the lunch**



### Friends Christmas Fair

Unfortunately, there will not be a Christmas Fair this year, as the Friends Committee have not had enough volunteers offer to help organise the event.

If you are interested in joining the Friends group to ensure future events can take place, please contact them at [Wickleafriends@gmail.com](mailto:Wickleafriends@gmail.com)

Currently the Friends are raising money for reading books and additional fixed play equipment in the playground. Without this support, we would not have a climbing wall or trim trail for the children to enjoy.

### Sharing our Communities Skills:

As part of our Academy Improvement Plan we are keen to open children's minds to future career possibilities, and maybe inspire them to pursue something they are not even currently aware of.

One way you can help us achieve this is to volunteer a small amount of your time. The form that this takes can vary widely. It could be an assembly, a small workshop, or a session, within a class, with a teacher.

I know through talking to parents and carers, that within our community, we have people working in a vast range of professions with a wide range of skills and knowledge.

If you are able and willing to give a small amount of your time in school, or if you know someone who would, please contact the school via our email,

[info@wickleaacademy.com](mailto:info@wickleaacademy.com)

or talk to your child's class teacher. We would love to hear from you.

### Parents' Questionnaire:

Thank you to those who completed the questionnaire during our recent parents' evenings. As with previous surveys the results are very positive. The full survey is at the end of this newsletter.

If you disagreed particularly in relation to homework or behaviour, 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. Your views and suggestions are important to the school.

### Children In Need

Thank you for all of your generous donations to Children in Need. We raised £620! This is by far the most we have ever raised for this event. Thank you to the School Council and Miss Moffat for organising the popular Duck Race.



**Open Day:**

On Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December, we will be holding an open day for parents with children currently in Year 2. There will be guided tours at 9:15am and 1:45pm.

**Clubs:**

Final club sessions for this term are next week (w/c 3<sup>rd</sup> December), with the exception of judo, music producers and musical theatre. A new list will be sent home before the end of term detailing clubs that will run in terms 3 & 4.



Yours sincerely

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

Matthew Morgan (Head of School)

**Dates for your diary:**

Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec – Flu Immunisation (Y3 & Y5)  
Mon 4<sup>th</sup> Dec – Maple Class Swimming Begins  
Tues 4<sup>th</sup> Dec - Flu Immunisation (Y4)  
Tues 4<sup>th</sup> Dec - Year 3 trip to Caerleon  
Weds 5<sup>th</sup> Dec – Year 5 & 6 Carol Concerts (2.30 & 6pm)  
Thurs 6<sup>th</sup> Dec – Year 6 trip to Bristol University  
Thurs 6<sup>th</sup> Dec – Year 3 & 4 Carol Concerts (2.30 & 6pm)  
Tues 18<sup>th</sup> Dec – School Christmas Lunch  
Fri 21<sup>st</sup> Dec – End of Term 2  
Mon 7<sup>th</sup> Jan 2019 – Start of Term 3  
Weds 9<sup>th</sup> Jan – M & M Productions 'Jack & the Beanstalk'  
Mon 14<sup>th</sup> Jan – Clubs restart

## Wicklea Academy Parent Questionnaire Results – November 2018

Question	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
My child is happy at this school	67%	33%	0%	0%
My child feels safe at this school	65%	35%	0%	0%
My child makes good progress	63%	35%	2%	0%
My child is well looked after	61%	37%	2%	0%
My child is taught well	61%	39%	0%	0%
My child receives appropriate homework for their age	40%	47%	12%	1%
School makes sure it's pupils are well behaved	37%	51%	12%	0%
School deals effectively with bullying	28%	65%	7%	0%
School is well led and managed	35%	58%	7%	0%
School responds well to any concerns I raise	40%	56%	4%	0%
I receive valuable information about my child's progress	40%	51%	9%	0%
	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>		
Would you recommend this school to another parent?	98%	2%		