

Wicklea Academy

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Dear Mothers, Fathers, Carers and Local Residents

Reminder:

Now that winter has arrived please make sure your child is bringing a coat to school for playtimes and lunchtimes. Also it is now a good idea to add a warm top and jogging bottoms to their PE Kit so that they are able to complete outdoor PE without feeling cold.

Year 3 Trip:

To celebrate the end of their Roman topic Year three have a trip to Caerleon near Newport on Thursday 8th December. If you are yet to give permission, please return the slip to the office. You are able to pay your voluntary contribution on parentpay. Thank You.



Open Day:

On **Thursday 1st December** we will be holding an open day for current parents and for parents with children currently in Year 2. There will be guided tours at 9:15, 11:00 and 1:45 but you are also welcome to take a self-guided tour at any time between 9:15-11:50 or 1:30-3:00. There will also be a crèche facility so pupil's lessons are not disrupted. Please take this opportunity to watch lessons in action and develop your understanding of the school curriculum.



Bristol Evening Post Super Science £10k Giveaway:

Following last year's success and the development of the pond area we have again entered this competition. Please start collecting tokens and promote it within the community- the more tokens we have the more chance we have of winning!

Paying for school lunches:

Can we please remind parents that unless your child is entitled to free school meals, you must pay in **advance** for their child's school meals. Our lunches are priced at £2.25 each and your child's account must be in **credit** before they have their lunch. Due to the amount of debt we are owed, we are going to have to become very strict about ensuring each child's account is in credit before they can take a lunch. Please can we ask that all parents log into parentpay and check that they don't have any outstanding balances. If you require a paypoint letter to pay for school lunches at your local paypoint store, please ask the office who will be happy to print one for you.

Shakespeare for Schools:

Last week saw the culmination of months of hard work when a group of Year 5 and 6 children performed **Shakespeare's Much Ado About Nothing** at The Egg Theatre in Bath. 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!



Thank You:

Thank you for all the generous donations towards The Royal British Legion by purchasing poppies and the range of poppy goods that have been on sale.



Friends of Wicklea dates for your diary:

Fri 18th Nov- Cake donations to be brought in the morning ready for the Children in Need cake sale after school.

Fri 25th Nov - Donations of bottles, hamper prizes & soft toys gratefully received for Xmas Fair tombola.

Thurs 1st Dec/Fri 2nd Dec - Cake donations gratefully received for Xmas Fair

Fri 2nd Dec - set up Fair from 1.30pm VOLUNTEERS NEEDED PLEASE

Fri 2nd Dec 3.30 - 5.30 Xmas Fair - 50p entrance fee VOLUNTEERS NEEDED PLEASE

House Coloured P.E T-Shirts:

These are now available to order from our suppliers, Price and Buckland. They are £4.50 each and are under the tab 'other products'. These can be purchased and worn for P.E in addition to the white t- shirt or academy t-shirt detailed on our uniform list.



Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Matthew Morgan', is written over a light blue circular stamp.

Matthew Morgan (Head of School)

Dates for your diary:

Weds 12th Nov: Last day of Travelling Book Fair

Fri 18th Nov: Children in Need

Mon 21st Nov: NSPCC Assembly

Weds 30th Nov: NSPCC workshops – Years 5 & 6

Thurs 1st Dec: Open Day

Fri 2nd Dec: Last day of clubs for Term 2

Fri 2nd Dec: Friends Christmas Fair (3.30-5.30pm)

Mon 5th Dec: Last swimming session for Birch

Tues 6th Dec: Year 3 & 4 Christmas Carol Concerts (2pm & 6pm)

Weds 7th Dec: Year 5 & 6 Christmas Carol Concerts (2pm & 6pm)

Thurs 8th Dec: Year 3 Caerleon Trip

Weds 14th Dec: End of Term 2 report grades sent home

Thurs 15th Dec: End of Term 2

Fri 16th Dec: Inset Day