

Wicklea Academy

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Dear Mothers, Fathers, Carers and Local Residents

Breakfast Club:

By now you should have received a letter confirming our partnership with 'Magic Breakfast'.

From Monday 25th February we will be providing a range of cereals and bagels to children who attend breakfast club for free.



In addition to free bagels and cereals, we will be offering sausage, veggie sausage and bacon rolls on a Friday. These will cost £1.50 with a drink and must be ordered on ParentPay by 12 noon the day before. Cash will no longer be taken.

Doors open at 8.00am, and children can arrive up until 8.35am.

There is no need to register your child; they are able to turn up on the day.

Enrichment Day:

Next Wednesday 13th February we will be holding our first enrichment day. Throughout the day the children will be placed in mixed age groups and will take part in four sessions, each led by Wicklea teachers.

Examples of sessions being planned are drama, music producing, art, mindfulness, code breaking and many more!

As well as a chance for older children to support those that are younger, we hope the children will enjoy the activities and learn some new skills.

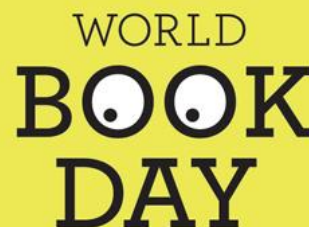
Book @ Bedtime / World Book Day:

On Thursday 7th March we will be celebrating World Book Day. Following on from the success of last year's event, we will again be hosting a book @ Bedtime event.

All children are invited to come back in to school between 5.00pm – 6.30pm to listen to stories. As it is Book @ Bedtime, children are allowed to wear their pyjamas and bring a teddy. They will be given a snack and a hot chocolate before hearing stories read by teachers. We hope as many children will take the chance to attend this exciting event.



As always the children (and teachers!) will be able to dress up as their favourite book character during the school day.



Y6 Camp Change:

Please note: next year we will be changing our year six camp. Rather than the children going away in two or three groups in October, we have secured a place at Morfa Bay Adventure Centre in South Wales. This will enable the children to go in one group during June 2020. A meeting regarding Year 6 camp will be held for current Year 5 parents and children in term 4.

Wellbeing Award for Schools:

As a school we have committed to work towards achieving the wellbeing for schools award. In order to achieve this, we initially need to evaluate our current provision. This will enable our wellbeing team to create an action plan of developments and improvements.

It is anticipated that the action plan would take eighteen months to complete, after which we would be assessed by an external provider against set criteria. Although achieving the award would be excellent recognition, the purpose of working towards it is to improve the wellbeing we offer to the children, staff and parents of our community.

In order to evaluate our current provision, we need your input. Your views are important in helping us understand what we are doing well and how we can do even better. Therefore you will shortly receive an online survey, which should only take a couple of minutes to complete. Thank you in advance for your support of this initiative.

BS4 Youth Veg Patch:

BS4 Youth invites you to join them at St Anne's Park Woods field on:

Sunday 17th Feb (10am – 1pm)

Monday 18th Feb (10am -1pm)

They will be building a community food garden and learning about the food they hope to grow. You are welcome to come along and prepare a space for a pumpkin patch, clear brambles for tomato plants or plant vegetables for a Sunday roast!

Parent Workalong Sessions:

Our next parent workalong sessions will be focussed on how we are using Accelerate Reader to support your child's reading development. Please make a note of the date and join a session with your child. Invitations will be issued nearer the time as a reminder.

Tues 5th Mar – Y3 Ash (Miss Emmett) – 9.15am

Tues 5th Mar – Y3 Beech (Mrs Barton) – 10.45am

Weds 6th Mar – Y3 Willow (Mr Randall) – 9.15am

Tues 12th Mar – Y6 Sycamore (Mrs Reeve) – 9.15am

Tues 12th Mar – Y6 Hazel (Mr Hazard) – 10.15am

Thurs 14th Mar – Y6 Chestnut (Miss Bennett) – 9.15am

Tues 19th Mar – Y5 Maple (Miss Iles) – 9.15am

Tues 19th Mar – Y5 Pine (Miss McLeod) – 10.15am

Weds 20th Mar – Y5 Birch (Mrs Howells) – 9.15am

Tues 26th Mar – Y4 Elm (Miss Morris) – 9.15am

Tues 26th Mar – Y4 Yew (Mr Richards) – 10.45am

Weds 27th Mar – Y4 Oak (Miss Moffat) – 9.15am

Dates for your diary:

Weds 13th Feb – Enrichment Day

Thurs 14th Feb – Year 5 Steam Museum trip

Thurs 14th Feb – End of Term 3

Fri 15th Feb – Inset Day

Mon 25th Feb – Start of Term 4

Weds 27th Feb – Parent Evening (3.40pm – 6.30pm)

Thurs 28th Feb – Parent Evening (3.40pm – 6.00pm)

Mon 4th Mar – Willow Class swimming begins

Thurs 7th Mar – World Book Day – Book @ Bedtime (5pm – 6.30pm)

Fri 8th Mar – Disco organised by the Friends of Wicklea (Year 3/4 - 5pm-6pm, Year 5/6 - 6.15pm–7.15pm)

Fri 22nd Mar – Clubs Finish

Tues 2nd Apr – Y3 Vikings Workshop

Fri 5th Apr – End of Term 4

Yours sincerely



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