



WICKFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Newsletter 9

Individual photos – Monday 12th November

Reminder: Photographs will be taken on Monday 12th November. Siblings in our school will be taken during the school day. If you have children who do not attend Wickford Primary School, photographers will be available from 8.00am at upper school to take sibling groups - please come in via reception. Please bear in mind it may be busy. Children must wear their green fleece, sweatshirt or cardigan as the photographs are taken on a white background.

Operation Christmas Child

We will be collecting shoe boxes again this year to send to children in war-torn countries. If you would like to decorate and fill a shoe box with goodies, please bring it into either of our school offices by Wednesday 14th November. We will then take them to Wickford Christian centre so they can be delivered in time for Christmas. Further information is on school website (Other letters page).

Parking – Swanwood Appletree Surgery

Once again we have had a complaint from the surgery about parents parking in their car park AND being abusive when asked to move their cars. Doctors are either having problems getting into work or are being blocked in, which is causing major problems, especially in an emergency! Police and traffic wardens have been contacted as the parents parking there are clearly not understanding the consequences of their actions.

Odd Socks

As part of our anti-bullying month, and to coincide with national anti-bullying week, children (and staff) are invited to wear odd socks all week. We will be celebrating diversity and considering how this can prevent bullying.

Children in Need – Friday 16th November

To celebrate Children in Need, Friday will be a non-uniform day. Children (and staff) should dress as colourfully as possible and bring a donation of £1 to support this charity.

Christmas Dinner

Christmas dinner order forms have been sent home today. Please return your form by Thursday 29th November. This also includes children who are entitled to Free School Meals and those who will be having a packed lunch that day. The kitchen has to organise approximately 500 dinners and the food has to be ordered in advance, so please make sure your forms are returned in time. We cannot take any orders after this date. A text will be sent to parents confirming orders within a few days of receiving your form. Copies of both lower and upper school forms are on the website.

Year 5 CLC visit

Well done to Year 5 for their excellent behaviour at the CLC this week. Thank you to the parents who gave up their time to help on the trip. Research has shown that children who watch television programmes and films with subtitles on have a wider vocabulary and develop reading fluency more quickly than those who do not. This is a great way to squeeze in some extra reading practice at home! Many Youtube videos have subtitles too.

Upper School Choir – St Marys Church Bazaar, Runwell Saturday 24th November 2.30pm

Our choir have been invited to sing at St. Marys Christmas Bazaar again this year. The choir should arrive by 2.15pm ready to perform at 2.30pm. Uniform is not required and the children can wear Christmas jumpers.

Boots

Please remember that boots are NOT part of our school uniform. Children may wear boots to walk to and from school in cold weather, but they will need to change into school shoes on arrival. For clarity, there are photos on the uniform page of our school website. If you are unsure, please speak to me before you purchase expensive footwear to avoid any upset.



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Do you qualify for Free School Meals, Please click the link to find out.

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Swimming

Reminder: Year 3 & 4 fees for this term are £16.10.

Clubs

Full details are on the school website.

Letters/Events

Please see website for more details

Year 3 Egyptian Day – Monday 19th November

Year 6 WW2 Performance – Thursday 29th November. Tickets were given out this week (2 per child).

Assemblies

5W – Friday 23rd November. Please arrive by 9.00am

3W – Friday 30th November. Please arrive by 9.00am

Parent Lunches

Please arrive by 12.10pm for upper school and 11.55am for lower school. **Children as well as parents must order a school dinner.** We cannot accept any late orders as the parent lunches have to be ordered in advance.

Butterflies – Tuesday 13th November (No further orders can be taken)

3W – Thursday 15th November (No further orders can be taken)

Caterpillars – Tuesday 20th November (Orders and payments must be in by Monday 12th November)

4E – Thursday 22nd November (Orders and payments must be in by Thursday 8th November)

4F – Thursday 29th November (Orders and payments must be in by Thursday 15th November)

Christmas Productions

Our LOWER school Christmas productions will take place on the following dates:

Monday 10th December - afternoon (time to be confirmed). This is a dress rehearsal and younger siblings are permitted.

Tuesday 11th December - morning and afternoon performances (times to be confirmed). Adult audience only.

UPPER school Christmas concerts:

Thursday 13th December 2.00pm and 7.00pm

Achievements

Congratulations to the following:

Ellie Feagan (6W) came first in her gymnastics competition on 4th October and achieved her Grade 4 in gymnastics.

Isabella Jouglah-Shields (3W) has passed her Stage 4 swimming and has now moved up to the next level – Light Blue Hat (Level 5)

Evie Drummond (6E) competed at a National Karate competition and placed 3rd in the country for her Kata.

Lois Drummond (4E) competed as part of the East Region team at a National Gymnastics competition and they placed 6th in GB.

Have a thoughtful weekend,

Mrs L Ramet

Deputy Head



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