



The Wickford C of E School Newsletter

Little Teds
Pre-School

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ATTENDANCE

TARGET: 100%

**WHOLE SCHOOL
ATTENDANCE FOR THIS
WEEK: 98.2%**

CLASS ATTENDANCE:

Penguin: 100%

Wren: 100%

Puffin: 100%

Robin: 100%

Flamingo: 96.3%

Parrot: 90%

PADDINGTONS:

Penguin: Layla, Noah, Ronnie and Harry

Wren: Emily, Carter, Cameron and amelia

Puffin: All of Puffin class

Robin Sophie M, Ethan, Max and Olivia

Flamingo: Ronnie, Andreea, Mia and Willow

Parrot: Ali, Bertie, Zayn and Olivia

GOLDEN TABLE:

Penguin: Shannel

Wren: Jake

Puffin: Sophie K

Robin: Jack

Flamingo: Ronnie

Parrot: Annabelle

Dear Parent/Carer,

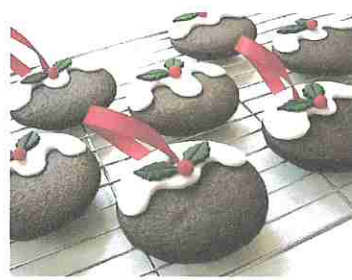
SLEEPOVER TONIGHT Don't be late, doors must close at 5:30pm. It will be a great night, lots of fun to be had.

CHRISTMAS AT THE WICKFORD COFE The tree is up! We are very grateful to have such a fine specimen.

A reminder that costumes are due on Tuesday 11th December I cannot believe we have 18 days to go..... where does the time go?

CAKE DONATIONS

On Friday 14th December FACES will be holding their Christmas event. We are asking for cake/biscuit donations to support the stall which will feature those made by your children. We are aiming for these;



Please

pass

any donations to the office by Thursday 13th December, many thanks.

All money raised on this stall will go to the research into DIPG - as per our charity focus.

CHRISTMAS CARDS Please ensure Christmas cards are correctly labelled with the recipient's full name and class on. This ensures the elves can deliver them correctly! On Monday, the postbox will be positioned in the long green corridor, near the library door. The children can post them at playtime.

READING CHALLENGE Apologies, a change from the first newsletter sent today. Teachers have been very organised! Diaries have been collected, results will follow.

GYM TRAIL Mrs Doe and Mrs Adams would like say a huge well done to all the children who attend Gym Trail in the mornings. You have all done so well and it has been a really lovely start to the morning for all involved. Gym Trail has now finished and will re-start week commencing 7th January 2019.

CLUBS All school clubs (except Breakfast and Kids at Heart afterschool club) have now finished. In January there will be a new list of clubs to choose from.

MOMENT OF LOVELINESS

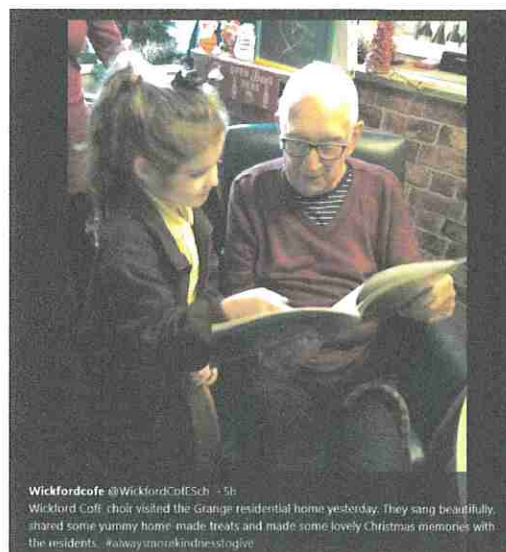
The Trustees met this week. They are delighted with the outcomes - especially the letter received from the Secretary of State for Education, Nick Gibb. They recognised the hard work of the whole school community in reaching such high standards. Well done all.

This week saw the Choir attend an afternoon at the Grange Residential home. What a special occasion! Before the day a few children make special biscuits, ready to present to those they would meet. A photograph paints a thousand words....

Thank you children for having such wonderful gentleness and love.

"Always More love to give and kindness to offer"

Oscar, Evie, Jake, Jeremiah and Hallie have been busy practicing on the chime bars - ready for their role in the Christmas performance. They have worked hard and we look forward to hearing their skills during the Christmas performances.



Wickfordcofe @WickfordCofESch · 5h
Wickford CofE choir visited the Grange residential home yesterday. They sang beautifully, shared some yummy home-made treats and made some lovely Christmas memories with the residents. #alwaymorekindnesslove

I have seen some amazing writing this week, Christian in Puffin Class has proudly presented writing which reflects letters which are supposed to be tall and others which are shorter/go under the line. Well done to him.

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY A reminder that this is on Wednesday 19th December. Please wear uniform as usual but replace the school jumper/cardigan with the Christmas one. Remember £1 for the charity bucket.

STAFF Mr Hyams and Miss Hourihan, our student teachers will be moving on to their second placement schools after Christmas but we will welcome them back after Easter. We will be welcoming student teacher Miss Jenkins after Christmas to work with us.

PARKING Unfortunately the following car details were sent to us by a neighbour this week. Please park as you would wish others to park near your own properties.



SCHOOL DINNERS, MENUS AND FOOD DELIVERIES.

At the Trust business meeting this week, school business managers shared some concerns about food deliveries. Our schools are making contingency plans for the next few months due to the political uncertainty leading up to the country leaving the European union. We are finding that food deliveries are less efficient in some areas than others but we wanted to reassure parents that we are all working together to plan for any issues that may arise. However, if food deliveries continue to be an issue we will at times have to change menus at short notice. School business managers will continue to keep parents informed through newsletters and twitter if there are any ongoing issues. We would like to thank the fantastic kitchen and lunch teams who work hard in increasingly difficult times to ensure that pupils have a positive lunch time and nutritious food.

EXTREME WEATHER *As we move into the colder months of the year we are reminding parents and carers of our policy on school closure during critical incidents and extreme weather*

- 1. Our school rarely closes. We are a service funded by the taxpayer and we have a duty to open in all but the most extreme circumstances.*
- 2. We make decisions based on the level of service that we can provide.*
- 3. Headteachers make decisions at the time of need.*
- 4. All notices to close will be announced on twitter accounts first, then texts/emails/class dojo.*
- 5. If there are no announcements the school is open.*
- 6. If the school is closing, we will make all efforts to let you know as early as possible. Usually by 7.45 am. We do not make closure announcements the day before except in the most extreme cases.*
- 7. Site staff/senior staff assess the site only and not the surrounding roads.*
- 8. It is up to parents to make their own risk assessment and decide whether it is safe to travel to school.*
- 9. If schools need to close during a school day parents will be informed by the same means identified at point 4.*

10. *School staff stay at school in all critical situations until the last pupil has left. If there is an emergency and they need to move pupils from the site parents will be informed via twitter/class dojo/text.*
11. *During critical periods school staff are very busy keeping the site and pupils safe. Please do not call to ask if the school is closing. In many cases the answerphone may be on. Monitor your twitter/dojo/texts. This helps us to keep pupils safe and focus on their needs and not on answering individual calls. During these busy times the telephones may be on answerphone.*

LETTER There is a very important letter going home tonight in book bags regarding Consultation for primary status.

HIRE THE HALL

Need to organise a children's party? Need some space to run an event? If so, please note that the school hall is available for hire. Prices start at £85 for a three hour slot, but we can arrange bookings for shorter or longer periods to suit your needs. Just call into the office if you are interested.

Have a lovely weekend, see you Monday!

Mrs Johnson and the CofE team.



Mess! Fun! Food!
FREE Kids crafts, activities,
games, stories, & songs!
plus FREE tea for each child



MESSY NATIVITY

3:30-6pm, Wednesday 12th
December

St Andrew's Church, London Road, Wickford
Kids must bring an adult