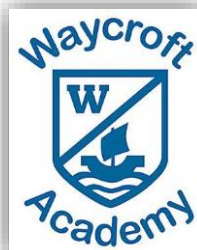


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Dear Parents/Carers,

Reception Nativity and Nursery Singing Around The Tree



Our Reception children have done a great job this week performing their nativity for families and the school. They have really grown in confidence over the week and their singing has been exceptional.



The nursery children also really enjoyed showing off their singing with their families around the Christmas tree after their Christmas party on Wednesday.

Choir Concert

On Wednesday 4th December, the choir took part in the Bristol School's Christmas Concert at St George's Brandon Hill. The children had been working hard all term to learn the 8 songs off by heart and sang them perfectly with great enthusiasm. Jodie from year 4 was also selected to perform a solo, which she sang beautifully to a packed audience. It was a thoroughly enjoyable afternoon for all who came to watch and the children should be really proud of all they have achieved this term. Well done choir!



Year 1 and Year 2 Christmas Performances

The children in years 1 and 2 have loved their journey around the world visiting: Hawaii, Scotland, China and Spain with the angels in their Christmas play. Thank you to everyone who came and thank you for being flexible with the changes due to the election.



School council staff interviews

The school council have decided that they would like to find out more about some of the staff in the school by carrying out interviews and reporting their investigations to the school community through the newsletter. Their first interview is attached to today's newsletter.

Mathletics

Y2-6 parents/carers please also read the attached Mathletics letter

The Sun Books for schools Campaign

Please keep saving these tokens for us! Thank you for those who have brought them in so far!

Whole School Christmas Lunch - Thursday 19th December

Our whole School Christmas lunch is on Thursday 19th December. Please ensure your child's lunch account is in credit if they have ordered a Christmas lunch. Please note salad bar is NOT available on this day. If you have not booked a lunch for your child, they will need to be provided with a packed lunch.

Year 3 and 4 library event

Christmas fun came early to Waycroft Academy when children from Years 3 and 4 attended an after school Christmas Craft Event. Using craft books from the library as inspiration along with lots of glue, glitter and even chocolate, the children produced some gorgeous decorations to take home.

Christmas tunes were played while they got 'crafty' making candy cane reindeers, frost covered candle holders, 'Oreo' Christmas puds, decorated pine cone trees and a snowman to hang on the tree. Great fun to get us all in the festive spirit!



Staff

Mr Billington will be leaving us at the end of this term as he has the opportunity to take on a new challenge in another school from the start of January. Mr Billington is sorry to be leaving his amazing class and he will be missed by all of us. We have appointed Miss Dyte this week, who will start in post from 6th January 2020.

Waycroft Swimming 2020

As you maybe aware our usual venue for swimming, (Keynsham Leisure Centre) is undergoing some renovation work. The centre have contacted us to advise they will not be re opening the pool at the end of January as anticipated. Therefore our schools swimming **will NOT** be starting in January 2020. Keynsham will be keeping us up to date with progress for re opening and we will aim to commence swimming for years 1, 3 and 5 as soon as possible.

Times Tables Rockstars

We have now launched Times Table Rockstars at Waycroft. Last week, the children enjoyed getting to grips with the new times table programme and creating their own Avatar name. Each child has their own individual log in details, which can be used to access the website in school and at home. Teachers may occasionally set homework or times tables battles for the children to complete at home; please encourage the children to practise their times tables at home.

The programme can be accessed through:
www.ttrockstars.com

Facebook

Don't forget to like and follow our new Facebook page **Waycroft Academy Primary School** (if you haven't already) to keep up-to-date with what is going on at Waycroft.



Brunelcare Shoe Box Appeal

Monday is the last day for dropping off your Christmas shoeboxes for the residents at a local care home. We already have a lovely collection of gifts ready to be delivered! Leaflets are still available in the office, if you would like to create a last minute gift. We also have a few spare empty shoeboxes if anyone would like one.

Wellbeing – looking after the children, ourselves and the local residents at pick up and drop off time

There has been yet another incident in Selden Road this week caused by dangerous parking.

Rule 243 of the Highway Code states not to stop or park:

- near a school entrance
- anywhere you would prevent access for Emergency Services
- opposite or within 10 metres (32 feet) of a junction, except in an authorised parking space
- opposite a traffic island or (if this would cause an obstruction) another parked vehicle
- where the kerb has been lowered to help wheelchair users and powered mobility vehicles
- in front of an entrance to a property
- on a bend

Also, rule 244 tells us not to park on the pavement unless signs permit it which we do not have on Selden Road.

Christmas performance information/dates for the New Year:

Yrs.5 and 6: 2pm on Wednesday 18th December at Christ the Servant Church

Yrs.3 and 4: 2pm on Tuesday 17th December at Christ the Servant Church

Mufti Day (Thursday 19th December) – Please come to school in your Christmas Jumpers and bring with you a 50p donation for the Friends of Waycroft.

FRIDAY 20th DECEMBER – LAST DAY OF TERM 2

MONDAY 6th JANUARY – INSET DAY FOR ALL CHILDREN & STAFF

TUESDAY 7th JANUARY – Children return to school for Term 3

Wednesday 8th January – M&M productions (Peter Pan)

Yours sincerely,

Lisa Craig, Head of School