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Dear Mothers, Fathers and Carers

**Learning Heroes** – On 8<sup>th</sup> March, in our Achievement Assembly, the following children were named as Learning Heroes

Yr 1: Colt and Olly

Yr 2: Zach M and Noah

Yr 3: Jed and Bradley

Yr 4: Kezzie-Mae and Kodi

On 16<sup>th</sup> March the Learning

Heroes were:

Y3: Ivan and Alex K

Y4: Kya and Miguel

Y5: William and Miley

Y6: Thomas R and Imogen

Well done to all our children for showing their use of 'building learning power'.



**Courtesy awards** - On 8<sup>th</sup> March, Colt in Y1 and Sophia in Y5 were awarded with these special lanyards and on 16<sup>th</sup> March the awards went to Maya in Y2 and Charlie in Y3. Well done to all of them for showing their courtesy skills.

**Staffing changes** – We have had a number of staffing changes since January so thought it would be good to update you. Some of you may be aware our Family Link and Pastoral Support Worker has left due to going on maternity leave. I am pleased to announce that Mrs Carroll had a beautiful baby girl. Miss Beese will start her maternity leave anytime now, but she is hoping to continue until half term. I am sure you will join us wishing our new mums all the best at this exciting time. Mrs Lewis is coming back from maternity leave into our Early Years team, which unfortunately means we have to say goodbye to Miss Webb, who we wish all the best for the future. Chloe Butson is a valuable new addition to our cleaning team and Kelly Norfolk is joining us after Easter in our school office. Please make Mrs Norfolk feel welcome as she gets to know the ropes.

**Cooking** – Children are enjoying developing their cooking skills in school this term which they would love to share with you at home!



**Friends request for support** - The "Friends of Waycroft" are already working really hard on the plans for the Summer Fayre coming up with lots of ideas to make it even better! They would really appreciate any donations towards the Summer Fayre tombola, so are asking for any unwanted gifts please. These could be brand new toys, bath gift sets, letter writing kits, stationary items etc. Due to their work commitments and a current lack of volunteers, they would like these items as soon as possible after the Easter break so they can start labelling them in advance. Gift items can be dropped off at the school office.

If you are able to help with any preparation work or at the event (9<sup>th</sup> June 2018) please contact one of the Friends team as they appreciate all of the help they receive to raise as much money for the school as they can.

Finally they are offering the opportunity for people to run their own gift stalls, please contact a member of the team for further information.

### BLP Focus – Absorption

This means being able to lose yourself in learning-you may not be aware of the passing of time. Over the next two weeks can you absorb yourself in a task at home by:

- Reading your book and stopping once you think 15 minutes has passed. Have you lost track of time and become absorbed?

- Playing a board game as a family
- Writing a poem together
- Building a (Lego/straws/junk) model

Let us know what you have done as a family, you could blog about it (don't forget to tag it BLP) or send us a picture!



**Y5 Redmaids visit** - Some of the Year 5 children got the chance to visit the science department at

Redmaids school this week. They had lots of fun making slime, creating chemical changes and watching balloons explode.



their children during the work alongs for Y2, Y5 and Y6. Feedback has been really positive and children have loved sharing their learning. Families have found it helpful to seek practical support for their children directly from the class teachers and have enjoyed the chance to see what a typical lesson at school looks like!



**Book Sale -** A massive thank you to everyone who supported our Book Sale, either by donating or buying

books. We raised a wonderful £114. It was amazing to see the children carefully browsing the books before selecting one and even better to see them enjoying their books in our reading garden. A special thank you to Millie, who worked on this excellent idea throughout the whole process, and her helpers: Eve, Rosie, Olivia and Megan. Well done girls.



**Trip money -** It is due to our parents and carers consistently paying the full voluntary contribution that our varied programme of school trips can go ahead; thank you for this. Can I please remind you that we only ever charge exactly what the trip will cost for your child, therefore, in line with the charging policy, visits can be cancelled if sufficient money is not collected.



**Easter Competition - Friday 23rd March – Reminder from the Friends -** Decorate an egg or create an egg scene to enter. All eggs/scenes should be taken to the child's classroom on the

morning of 23rd March and will be judged by their class & teacher. There is a prize per class. Entry is free. Please keep your creation to a reasonable size, no bigger than a shoe box. Thanks.

**Work alongs –** Thank you to all of the parents, carers and family members that have come in to work with

*Living and Learning Together*





**Camp Payments** – Remember, that if your child is attending any of our camps (Barton, Hooke Court and Simonsbath) you can sign into parentpay and continue to pay in manageable instalments between now and the deadline dates in order to spread the cost. The deadline for paying deposits to secure your child's place has now passed for all three of these camps. ***If you haven't paid a deposit, but want your child to attend, please notify the office as soon as possible.***



**Special Visitor** - The whole school received an exciting visit from Huw Powell (Waycroft's Patron of Reading) on Tuesday 13th March. He delivered a brilliant and engaging story writing session to celebrate World Book Day.



**Bristol Zoo Trip** – Year 3 are very excited about their trip to Bristol zoo on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> April. Information about this trip was sent home via parentmail. The voluntary contribution can be paid by logging in parentpay.



**New Summer Menu** – We have a tasty new menu being introduced at the beginning of next term. As a result of this we will be returning on week 1 of the menu. A copy will be sent home via parentmail next week.

At Waycroft Academy we feel passionately about using local suppliers and seasonal produce. All our meals are cooked daily on-site and we use top-quality ingredients to ensure that our meals are balanced and healthy. We use:

- Fresh, "Red Tractor" Meat
- Free Range Eggs
- Fresh ingredients delivered daily by local suppliers
- Organic Milk

Our menu meets current standards for school food and contains at least 2 portions of fruit and vegetables daily.

WEEK 1				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Chicken Goujons with Potato Wedges	Grilled Fish served with Fresh Broad Bean and Carrots	Beef Chosen Piece with 1/2 Jacket Potato	Roast Beef with Yorkshire Pudding	Fish Fingers, Chips and Beans or Peas
Vegetable Curry with Rice and Naan Bread	Macaroni Cheese with Garlic Bread	Chicken Meatballs in Creamy Tomato Sauce with Pasta and Garlic Bread	Quorn Pilaf	Quorn Meat Dog, Chips and Beans or Peas
Lemon Drizzle Muffins	Jelly & Fruit	Cookies with Fresh Fruit Smoothie	Chocolate Cheesecake	Strawberry Ice Cream topped with Fresh Strawberries

  

WEEK 2				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Beef Burger in a Bun with Onion Potato Wedges	Chicken Korma with Rice and Naan Bread	Roast Pork with Apple Sauce	Fish in Batter, Chips and Beans or Peas	Fish Fingers, Chips and Beans or Peas
Vegetable Burger in a Bun with Potato Wedges	Quorn Burgers with Garlic Bread	Quorn Pilaf	Vegetable Taggerty, Chips and Beans or Peas	Quorn Meat Dog, Chips and Beans or Peas
Red Berries Sponge	Unsalted Chocolate Cake with Fresh Raspberries Compote	Choc & Berry Muffins	Veggie with Fresh Fruit	Choc & Berry Muffins

  

WEEK 3				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Meatballs in Creamy Tomato Sauce with Pasta and Garlic Bread	Chicken Wings with Potato Wedges	Pork Sausages with Creamy Mash, Potatoes and Beans	Roast Lamb with Mint Sauce	Fish Goujons, Chips and Beans or Peas
Quorn Meatballs in Creamy Tomato Sauce with Pasta and Garlic Bread	Sweet Potato Jacket with Beans and Cheese	Chicken Goujons with Creamy Mash, Potatoes and Beans	Quorn Pilaf	Quorn Meat Dog, Chips and Beans or Peas
Pineapple Upside Down Cake	Carrot Cake Muffins	Apple Cinnamon Slice	Summer Fruit	Shortbread with Fresh Strawberry Mousse

**SERVED DAILY**  
Freshly baked bread, seasonal vegetables and salad, organic yoghurts, fresh fruit, drinking water or fresh milk, **Saled Bar** consisting of a Bread Roll or Wrap or Jacket Potato and a choice of meat or cheese and salad

Yours sincerely

*Lisa Craig*

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