Waycroft Academy

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Sportivator



HOLIDAY

On Monday 27th January, the children were introduced to the Sportivator event, which will be happening on Monday 10th February. Each class will complete fitness circuits with gymnast Isabel Haigh then attend a whole school assembly, where they will have the opportunity to ask the athlete questions. Letters have been sent home detailing how children can gain sponsorship for the event to support the school with funding for sport.

Nursery lunch

A big thank you to everyone who came in to have lunch with their child. The children loved having lunch with their adults and showing them what Waycroft school dinners are like.

Holiday Club

Stockwood Free Church (Baptist), Ladman Road,
Stockwood, warmly invite children to the "WONDER
ZONE" Holiday Club, discovering God's wonderful world.

As last year, we will be running for two days, Tuesday 18th and Wednesday 19th February, covering the school day, from 9am to 3.30pm (doors open 8.45am).

All children aged 5 years to 11 years are very welcome, however due to legal requirements, we are not able to accept under-5s.

This year, we are offering a free cooked meal at lunch time as an alternative to bringing a packed lunch.

As usual, there will be games, stories, craft, DVD, music and mid-session refreshments.

We will end the club with a Celebration Tea at 3.30pm on the Wednesday and invite all the family to stay for this.

The registration form is available from p_t_morse@hotmail.com

Year 5 - Steam museum trip



On Monday 20th January, Year 5 were lucky enough to go on a school trip to visit STEAM museum. Dressed as evacuees, clutching their gas masks, the children had the opportunity to experience a range of authentic World War Two scenarios, gaining a valuable insight into what life would have been like during this time in history. Both classes had the chance to take part in two different workshops, learning about what would have happened during and air-raid and what life would have been like as an evacuee.

As part of the experiences, the children were given the chance to explore a public air-raid shelter, listen to an air-raid siren. They also had chance to unpack a range of evacuee suitcases, during which there was an opportunity to handle and explore a range of different WW2 artefacts. They then sat inside the steam train and learned all about how to put on a gas mask and why these were important, they got to see the children's and babies' gas masks too.

It was a fantastic day – full of informative and exciting experiences to help support their learning about life during WW2.







British Military martial arts club

On Wednesday 29th the children took part in a martial arts assembly. They had a fantastic time learning about discipline and some children volunteered to have a go at a selection of moves. If your child is interested in attending the club on a Wednesday, please collect a flyer from the school office.





E-safety workshop

Year 5 really enjoyed their E-safety workshop and learned a lot about how to manage their time with electronic devices at home.



The children discussed ways to minimise time spent on devices such as using a timer and other APPs. Both classes had a very thoughtful discussion on the effects of social media on mental health. Year 6 also had a similar workshop and was a useful opportunity for them to evaluate their online habits.

Parents Evening

Booking for Parents' evening will go live on ParentMail on Tuesday 4th February at 8.30am.

Dates for parents' evening are: Wednesday 26th February 3.30 – 6.30pm and Thursday 27th February, 3.30 – 6.00pm.

Nursery parents will have invites to particular dates to see their child's specific key worker.

Data Collection Sheets

Please look out for your child's data collection sheet that will be going home in your child's bag next week. Please can this be returned to the school office if there are any changes to the information we hold about you or your child. It is important that we have the most up-to-date information for all contacts listed. If you would prefer your data collection sheet to <u>not</u> go into your child's bag, please let us know as soon as possible and you can arrange to collect your data collection sheet from the office.

Learning heroes and courtesy award winners

Our learning heroes over the past two weeks were:

For 24th January 2020

Yr1- Grace B, Lorenzo, Kian & Amelie

Yr2- Millie, Charlie, Tilly & Azayah

Yr3- Nicholas, Amelie, Estee & Harry

Yr4- Sophia, Guled, Lucas & Lilly

Our courtesy award winners were:

Harrison (Y2) & Ben L (Y6)

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Yr3- James C, Shelby, Curtis & Millierose

Yr4- Ruby W, Aasher, Olivia & Zach M

Yr5- Macey, Alex, Macie-Lee & Zach N

Yr6- Reuben, Sofia, Brayleigh & Henry

Our courtesy award winners were: Ruby M (Y2) & Esme (Y4)

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Green Team

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Well done to our Green team who gave an excellent assembly to the school about recycling and what we can do to keep our school green!



We need your feedback - Homework

We will be sending out a link to a questionnaire with this newsletter regarding the homework your child receives. We would really appreciate your feedback to enable us to review the homework we are currently issuing. If you would like a paper copy of the questionnaire, please see the office team.

Yours sincerely,

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Lisa Craig, Head of School