

Date: 29th November 2019

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Winter bugs

Unfortunately it is that time of year again when all of the winter bugs are going around. In school we have been talking to the children about the essentials of handwashing, using tissues, toilet flushing and looking after themselves. It would really help us if you could also promote these things at home as well. If your child is unwell and has a stomach bug, please can we ask that you make sure you keep children off for 48 hours after their last experience of being sick or having diarrhoea to prevent it being spread from child to child. Thank you.



I have also had a letter from Public Health today informing us of an influenza increase nationally affecting schools particularly in the North West and the Somerset area. They are asking schools and nurseries to remind families that immunisations is the best protection for your child, so if they haven't been immunised this can be arranged through your GP.

Whole School Christmas Lunch on Thursday 19th December

The deadline to order your child's Christmas lunch is Monday 2nd December at midday. Any orders not placed by this time, will not be able to have a Christmas lunch.

Learning heroes and courtesy award winners

Our learning heroes over the past two weeks were:

For 29th November 2019

Yr1-Kayleigh, Archie, Noah & Summer

Yr2- Isabelle, Kaylon, Lily & Chad

Yr3- Gabriel, Elia, Millierose & Theo

Yr4- Ava, Anthony, Rebecca & Elson

Our courtesy award winners were:

TJ (Y4) and Elsa (Y1)



Shakespeare production

Well done to all of the children who performed at the Shakespeare Schools Production event at the Tobacco Factory. They made us very proud. Thank you to Mr Farrell, Mrs Dennis and Adele who worked with the children to deliver a fantastic rendition of The Twelfth Night.



The Sun Books for schools Campaign

The Sun Newspaper are now printing tokens!

Each school must receive 3,500 tokens and they will continue to print them until Saturday January 18th 2020. Our school will then receive the books in March 2020! Please can we ask friends, family and neighbours to help our school obtain these FREE books! Can all tokens please come to the school office or passed to class teachers. Thank you in advance for your support!



Making Trax

On Wednesday 20th November the Y5 and Y6 children were given the opportunity to take part in the Access Sports 'Making Trax' programme. The children loved taking part and even children who couldn't cycle before were able to after the 30 minute session! Well done to the children who took part and thank you to the people at Access Sport.



Staff

We would like to welcome Miss Davis to our year 1 team, Miss West to our LKS2 team and Miss Treharne to our Lunchtime team.

We are sadly saying goodbye to Mr Empson, who has secured a post at another school and good luck to Miss Tuckwell, who we wish all the best for her new arrival.

Children in Need - 15th November

Thank you to everyone who donated to Children in Need- we raised a fantastic £409.52!



Year 1 work -a-long

We had lots of fun learning about phonics in our Year 1 work-a-long last week. We had a great turn out from lots of eager parents and grandparents. We played lots of games involving the 'oy' and 'ir' sound, including Countdown and Obb and Bob. The big finale was the Flash card challenge in which children battled against the grownups to name as many sounds as they could in the shortest time. Although the grownups gave it their best shot, both Nina class and Pinta class children were the champions. Well done Year 1 - keep up the good work!

Lost Property

We have a growing amount of lost property outside of the school office. Please can we ask you to check if your child has any missing items, as any remaining items at the end of this term will be either given to charity or disposed of.

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



Once again this year Waycroft Academy will be working with Brunelcare to collect and distribute Christmas shoeboxes for their local elderly residents. Leaflets are available in the school office explaining this year's Christmas appeal and what to include in your shoebox. We look forward to seeing your shoeboxes appear in the main reception by Monday 16th December.

Wellbeing



Christmas performance information/dates

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

Yrs.1 and 2: 2pm or 3:30pm on Thursday 12th December at Waycroft Academy. Tickets have been booked and allocated for these performances

Reception Nativity dates as follows:

Monday 9th December - Rehearsal

Tuesday 10th December - Dress rehearsal for parents with younger siblings and nursery children 9.15

Thursday 12th December - Performance 9.15

Friday 13th December - Performance 9.15

Nursery party and singing around the tree on the afternoon of Wednesday 11th December - singing at 2.45pm

Yours sincerely,

Lisa Craig,