



NEWSLETTER NO 5 - Monday 11th November 2019

	Term Begins	Finish		Return	Term Ends
Autumn 2019	Wednesday 4 September	Friday 25 October	Half Term	Tuesday 5 November	Thursday 19 December
Spring 2020	Tuesday 7 January	Friday 14 February		Monday 24 February	Friday 3 April
Summer 2020	Monday 20 April	Friday 22 May		Tuesday 2 June	Tuesday 21 July

Inset Days: 6 January 2020, 1 June 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

Such an action-packed week since returning from half term; Ancient Greek celebrations, a Cadbury World trip, non-uniform rewards and still so much more to happen between now and Christmas! Please keep an eye on emails, our website and the dates below to make sure you have as much notice as possible about forthcoming events.

Can I especially note:

- **Phonics Evening for Parents** (especially for EYFS and Years 1 & 2) at 6.30pm on Thursday 21st November. This session will provide insight into how phonics are taught in school, how it builds reading skills and how you can support your child effectively at home.
- **France Residential Trip 2021 Meeting** (aimed at current Year 4 & 5 parents for when their children are in Years 5 & 6) at 7.00pm on Thursday 28th November. This meeting is to inform parents about a new residential trip proposal combining the excitement of the usual adventurous activities but with the added benefit of World War field-trips and French culture.
- **PTFA Christmas Shopping Evening** at 6.30pm on Friday 15th November

Thank you for everyone who supported our reflections at the War memorial this morning, including the church bell-ringing team. It is always a very poignant time and the children were beautifully behaved. It was extra special having the Pre-school children join us and we look forward to other opportunities where they can be part of school community occasions. Time has certainly flown since the Centenary Exhibition last year and you will be delighted to know that we have already held initial conversations with the local Heritage Association about marking the 75th Anniversary of VE Day in May 2020. Watch this space!

A special mention and thank you to our team of PTFA parents who organised the village Bonfire and Fireworks, those who set up, took down and served refreshments on a very wet and chilly evening. Needless to say the weather did not dampen our spirits and a fantastic time was had by all - especially the parent supervising the distribution of the Krispy Kreme donuts...

Football Team Win

Wingrave had a very entertaining match against Long Marston on Friday 25th October. It was a great match and the children all enjoyed participating. The score was Long Marston 2 - Wingrave 4.

Communication

Can we apologise for any confusion regarding the Maple non-uniform day last Friday due to the clash with the Year 3 and 4 Greek Day. We appreciate those parents who helped spread the word but please also note that emails sent from the school are sometimes year group specific and therefore mixed messages can occur when operating on a 'need to know' basis. I am sure you will understand that we are keen to fit in as much as possible for the benefit of the children and therefore complications can occur. As always, if there are any questions or queries regarding school events, please consult our website, newsletters, or check with the school office.

This Friday 15th November, Year 3 & 4 children in Maple House will have their non-uniform day having missed out on their Greek topic day. Please note we will therefore not be organising anything for Children in Need this year but are looking forward to supporting other causes throughout the year.

Spare Uniform & Underwear

Please could we ask parents who have borrowed items of uniform or underwear following accidents in school to wash and return them. We keep a stock of items to help with all eventualities so if you have any spare items you could donate in addition we would be very grateful- we are in particular need of girls pants and tights. Thank you.

Parking

In the interests of the children's safety and out of respect for our school friends and neighbours please can we politely remind all parents:

- not to walk through the school car park when the view for motorists (including our school bus/taxis) is limited by trees and shrubbery
- not to park on the yellow zig-zag lines, drop curbs, on/near junctions, across driveways or in the staff car park
- the disabled parking bay is for blue badge holders only unless there has been a specific arrangement with the school
- ample parking is available at the Sports Club a short walk down the road from school

In all cases, we would rather the children were late on the odd occasion than for parents to park or drive in a potentially dangerous fashion. Thank you for your support in what is a whole school community responsibility.

Mr M Tomson
Headteacher
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Congratulations

Well done to our latest Celebration Certificate recipients:

Year R	Charlie, Arthur, Olivia, Emily	Year 3	Joshua, Jessica, Ahmed, Isobel
Year 1	Alfie, Ted, Cailin, Alby	Year 4	Harriet, Logan, Daisy, Henry, Gracie, Abigail, Phoenix, Benson, Tyler-Jay
Year 2	Teddy, Ruby, Finn, Grace B, Emily	Year 5	Iudita, Romeo, Shalani
		Year 6	Naomi, Liam,

World Antibiotic Awareness Week (18th - 22nd November 2019)

Last year, Wingrave School took part in World Antibiotic Awareness Week and entered into the positive spirit of this with a whole school assembly launch. Our pupils competed with other Bucks school in a poster/dance/wrap competition. As a result of our excellent entries, we won in 3 of the 5 categories! All proud winners were invited to Stoke Mandeville Hospital for an 'Awards Tea' and to receive their certificates and goodie bags.

The background behind this scheme is that a Commonwealth Partnership for Antimicrobial Stewardship (AMS) has been set up between Buckinghamshire Healthcare NHS Trust, Nottingham Trent University and Makerere University in Kampala, Uganda, in order to raise awareness of AMR and careful use of antibiotics in the Wakiso District, Uganda. Schools from the Wakiso District have also been invited to participate, as part of the partnership.

One school, in Entebbe, wished for a closer partnership directly with a British school and Wingrave was the chosen school. We are now a partner to St Theresa's School, Entebbe, Uganda in a pen-pal initiative. Year 5 have written their beautiful letters of introduction and are now eagerly anticipating their replies.

Prior to half term, Ms Lee launched the 2019 World Antibiotic Awareness Week via a whole school assembly. Within days, pupils at Wingrave School had shown such enthusiasm in their production of many wonderful posters - it's been incredible to see so many of them handed in so soon. They demonstrate colourful and clear messages about good hygiene, germ-prevention and antibiotic overuse. Ms Lee is very glad that she is not having to judge them because the standard is exceptionally high! However, she does want to say a HUGE **thank you** to all candidates who have entered because each entry shows a great deal of dedication, thought and creativity.

In addition to entering these posters into the World Antibiotic Awareness Week 2019 Competition, Year 5 will be sending copies of all posters to St Theresa's School as examples of how we spread the word of great hygiene.

Cadbury World

Year 5 and 6 went to Cadbury World on 7th November. After a two hour drive we finally arrived. Ms Lee signed us in and we were given two chocolate bars before entering a rather peculiar room. It was a jungle! Slowly we walked around, looking on in amazement. The marvellous sight left us in silence.

We then watch a video on how Cadburys began. Following on to the next room, we were shown how the chocolate bars are made. After our lunch break we experienced a 3D simulator which was fantastic. Sadly, it was time to leave Cadbury World after a fun-filled day.

Zahara Yr 6

Lost Property

If anyone has lost a silver ring, please contact the school office.

DATES FOR THE DIARY (New items or amendments in bold)

12 Nov	Deadline for bringing Aldi stickers into school
12 Nov	Game On Yr 5 & 6 Football Match, at home
15 Nov	Year 3 & 4 only Maple House non-uniform day
15 Nov	PTFA Shopping Evening, 6.30 – 9.30pm
21 Nov	Parent Phonics Evening (EYFS, Years 1 & 2), 6.30 – 7.30pm
22 Nov	PTFA Non-Uniform Day, chocolate donation
28 Nov	2021 France residential parent meeting for current Years 4 & 5
29 Nov	PTFA Film Night
5 Dec	PTFA Wreath making workshop
6 Dec	Christmas Jumper Day in aid of Save the Children - £1.00
6 Dec	Paramedics visiting EYFS, Years 1 & 2
6 Dec	PTFA Christmas Fayre, 3.30-6.00pm
7 & 8 Dec	Wingrave Church Christmas Tree Festival weekend
9 Dec	Year 3 & 4 Family Assembly, 2.00 – 3.00pm
11 Dec	Nativity (EYFS, Years 1 & 2) 2.00 – 3.00pm and 6.00 – 7.00pm
13 Dec	Christmas parties
17 Dec	AIP Christmas Lunch
19 Dec	Christmas Church service, 9.30 – 10.30am
19 Dec	Wingrave's Got Talent
