

Wainwright Primary Academy

Newsletter

17th March 2017



Dear Parent/Carer,

IMPORTANT - Secure Password – Collecting your child from School

As you will already be aware, we have set up a password system across school to enable other people to collect your child from school with your permission. The only way that someone can collect your child from school, other than a parent/carer, whether it is at the end of the school day or for an appointment, will be by using the password that you have provided. The person collecting your child will also have to be a minimum of 18 years of age. I'm sure that you will appreciate the importance of this and that we have your child's best interest and safety at heart.

Children in Year 5 and 6 will be allowed to walk home alone, as long as we have received 'written' permission from you.

If you haven't already done so, it is really important that you decide what you would like your password to be and complete the reply slip at the end of this letter and **return it to school as soon as possible**.

DALP Quiz

Well done to the group of Year 5 pupils who went to Retford Oaks Academy and joined teams of secondary students in a general knowledge quiz. The overall winning team was East Leake Academy and Lewis Carrington, Esra Genc, Latcha Staples and Harry Smith joined that team for the day. A great day was had and Miss Westmoreland says that she is so proud of the children in terms of their effort and also their impeccable behaviour. Well done to all of the children who went!



Uniform

We continue to thank parents for supporting our uniform policy.

We have a number of older children who are choosing to wear non-uniform items such as trainers.

Children should be wearing the type of shoe that can be polished. Please note that trousers need to be worn, not leggings.

We are in the process of purchasing a stock of plimsolls in a number of sizes and these will be loaned each day to the children who do not have the correct footwear.

Our school uniform is in the front of your child's Home/School Diary. Please come and speak to us to discuss any issues you have with uniform.

We can also confirm that until our current uniform is firmly embedded, **we will not** be having a separate uniform e.g. checked summer dresses.

World Water Day – 22nd March

On World Water Day, we will be teaching the pupils about the importance of fresh water and will be having an assembly linking this to our global goals.

POLITE NOTICE - Foundation Stage 2 Parents/Carers

Please could we politely ask you to ensure that your child does not use the equipment in the outdoor play area when you are dropping off/collecting your child from school as the equipment is organised for use during lesson times.



Easter Activities

With Easter on the horizon, we are holding Easter activities for the children to participate in. Please could these be made at home and brought in on the following days:

- Thursday 30th March - KS2 Decorate a hard-boiled egg competition. These will be displayed in the school hall after school. Winners will be announced on Friday
- Friday 31st March – Nursery, Reception and KS1 - An Easter bonnet competition

IMPORTANT MESSAGE - After School Clubs Cancelled – 22nd & 23rd March

There will be no After School Clubs on the evenings of Wednesday 22nd and Thursday 23rd March due to Parents Evenings.

This is with the exception of Mr Butler’s After School Club, which will be running as normal.

Red Nose Day – Friday 24th March

Red Nose Day is on Friday 24th March and we are having a ‘wear red’ non-uniform day. All pupils who wish to take part are asked to make a donation to Comic Relief. Money will be collected in the pupils' classes by their teacher. To have a bit of fun and to raise a little bit of extra money, we will be having a coin trail around the hall. If the children could bring in any spare coppers, we would like to see how far our trail of coins will stretch. This money will also be donated to the charity.



Scholar Quest

We are launching our new SCHOLAR QUEST assessment system for Year 1 to Year 6 during parents evening next week and are therefore sending an information leaflet to tell you all about this new system. It is a fun way for pupils, staff and parents to be fully involved in checking how well pupils are progressing through their education. Please have a read of the leaflet and if you have any questions speak to your child's teacher during your parent/teacher consultation.

‘Nearly New’ Uniform Sale

We would like to start a 'nearly new' uniform sale to give parents the opportunity to buy uniform that is still in good condition.

Next week, we would like you to bring any donations into school (to your child’s Class Teacher), that we could then sell at our monthly Parent Coffee Morning which will be held on Thursday 30th March from 9-10 a.m. in the Small Hall.

Parents who donate 3 'good quality' items of uniform, will receive 10% off a brand new uniform item.

Key Events

Monday 20 th March	Whole School	International Happy Day
Monday 20 th March	Reception	Wonder Dome – Exploring Space
Monday 20 th March	Y6	Visit to Oxford University
Tuesday 21 st March	F2	Library Visit
Wednesday 22 nd March	Whole School	World Water Day
Wednesday 22 nd March	Whole School	Parents Evening
Thursday 23 rd March	Whole School	Parents Evening
Thursday 23 rd March	F1, F2 & KS1	School Photographer in school
Friday 24 th March	Y5	Visit to Oxford University
Monday 27 th March	Yr-Y6	Ground Zero Comics Assembly
Monday 27 th March	Yr-Y6	Autism Awareness Week
Tuesday 28 th March	F2	Library Visit
Tuesday 28 th March	Y5 & Y6	Aspirations Project Evening – 4 p.m. – Main Hall
Wednesday 29 th March	Y3 & Y4	Performance of Aladdin – 2 p.m. – Main Hall
Thursday 30 th March	Y3 & Y4	Performance of Aladdin – 6 p.m. – Main Hall

Thursday 30 th March	Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6	Easter Egg Competition (Winner TBA on 31.03.17)
Thursday 30 th March	Whole School	Parent Coffee Morning/'Nearly New' Uniform Sale
Friday 31 st March	F1/F2/Y1/Y2	Easter Bonnet Competition
Friday 31 st March	Whole School	Last Day of Term
3rd April – 17th April	Whole School	Easter Holidays
Tuesday 18 th April	Whole School	First Day Back to School - Summer Term Starts



Reply slip:

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Child's name: _____ Class: _____

Please could you enter your chosen password:

Signed: _____ (Parent/Carer)

Name of Parent/Carer: _____ (PLEASE WRITE IN BLOCK CAPITALS)