



The Wickford C of E School



Newsletter

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ATTENDANCE

1st March 2019

TARGET: 100%

WHOLE SCHOOL

ATTENDANCE FOR THIS

WEEK: 99.7%

CLASS ATTENDANCE:

Penguin: 100%

Wren: 100%

Puffin: 100%

Robin: 100%

Flamingo: 98.8%

Parrot: 98.8%

PADDINGTONS:

Penguin: Harry, Evie, Layla and Louie.

Wren: Amelia, Franklin, Cameron and Lilly.

Puffin: Shalitta, Harry, Megan and Isabelle.

Robin: Jamie, Paige, Oscar and Sophie M.

Flamingo: Willow, Max, Eston and Ava.

Parrot:

GOLDEN TABLE:

Penguin: Oliver O

Wren: Amelia

Puffin: Bolu

Robin: Ava

Flamingo: Jack

Parrot: Ariella

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome back, we hope you had a wonderful half term break. The weather has been kind to us this week, how glorious!

FUNDRAISING UPDATE We have reached an amazing total of £1161.90. Thank you very much for your support.

PARENTS CONSULTATIONS These were held this week, a report sent home to ensure you are aware of the next steps for your child as well.

AMAZING NEWS Four of our teachers have decided to complete a sky dive; Miss Spalding, Mrs Tarplett, Mrs Hall and Miss Mesher. We have been lucky enough to have obtained two sponsors; Partyman's Magic Makers and Oilfield Insurance Agencies, we are deeply appreciative to them! We will of course update you on details as they come.



OILFIELD
Offshore Underwriting Limited



WEDNESDAY 24TH APRIL 2019 Easter bonnet and hat parade. Bring along £1 and your best artistic creations for a whole school parade. This will be on the Wednesday, not the Tuesday as previously outlined.



WORLD BOOK DAY Friday 8th March is World Book day. As usual we are joining in and celebrating this event. There are lots of exciting things going on during the day organised by staff and FACES. We have Usborne coming in with lots of lovely books for your children to choose from and there will be money off vouchers too. We would like the children to dress up as a character from their favourite book that reflects the HEARTS values and to bring their special book in to share with us all.

TOP TECH TIP Please see the information that was shared yesterday by email.

MOMENT OF LOVELINESS I spent time in Puffin class today and was really pleased and happy to see their lovely writing and how well they are doing. There were some wonderful pieces for me to read, the children tried really hard to use their ERR sounds.

Today in assembly the children were told about their teachers doing a sky dive, their reaction was fantastic. Lots of gasps, oooooohhs and ahhhhs, clapping and cheering. I think they are very proud of their teachers, as are we.

HIRE THE HALL

Need to organise a children's party? Need some space to run an event? If so, please note that the school hall is available for hire. Prices start at £85 for a three hour slot, but we can arrange bookings for shorter or longer periods to suit your needs. Just call into the office if you are interested.

Have a lovely weekend, see you Monday.

Mrs Johnson and the CofE team.

UK Chief Medical Officers' advice for parents and carers on Children and Young People's screen and social media use

Technology can be a wonderful thing but too much time sitting down or using mobile devices can get in the way of important, healthy activities. Here are some tips for balancing screen use with healthy living.

Sleep matters

Getting enough, good quality sleep is very important. Leave phones outside the bedroom when it is bedtime.



Sharing sensibly

Talk about sharing photos and information online and how photos and words are sometimes manipulated. Parents and carers should never assume that children are happy for their photos to be shared. For everyone – when in doubt, don't upload!



Education matters

Make sure you and your children are aware of, and abide by, their school's policy on screen time.



Keep moving!

Everyone should take a break after a couple of hours sitting or lying down using a screen. It's good to get up and move about a bit. #sitlessmove more



Safety when out and about

Advise children to put their screens away while crossing the road or doing an activity that needs their full attention.



Talking helps

Talk with children about using screens and what they are watching. A change in behaviour can be a sign they are distressed – make sure they know they can always speak to you or another responsible adult if they feel uncomfortable with screen or social media use.



Family time together

Screen-free meal times are a good idea – you can enjoy face-to-face conversation, with adults giving their full attention to children.



Use helpful phone features

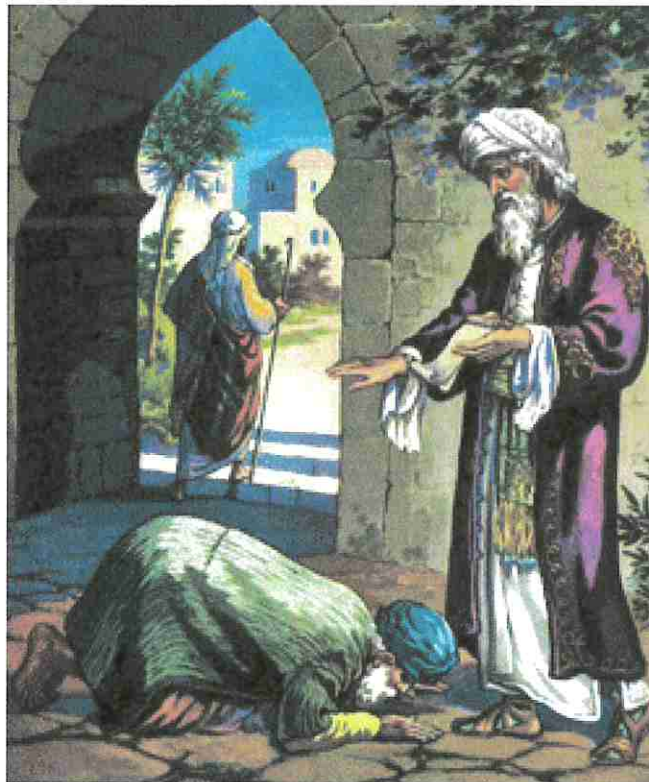
Some devices and platforms have special features – try using these features to keep track of how much time you (and with their permission, your children) spend looking at screens or on social media.



Source: United Kingdom Chief Medical Officers' commentary on 'Screen-based activities and children and young people's mental health and psychosocial wellbeing: a systematic map of reviews' (February 2019)



Mess! Fun! Food!
FREE Kids crafts, activities,
games, stories, & songs!
plus FREE tea for each child



MESSY FORGIVENESS

2-4pm,

Saturday 9th March 2019

St Andrew's Church, London Road, Wickford
Kids must bring an adult