



The Wickford C of E School



# Newsletter

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## ATTENDANCE

**TARGET: 97%**

**WHOLE SCHOOL  
ATTENDANCE FOR THIS  
WEEK: 97.3%**

### CLASS ATTENDANCE:

**Kiboko: 99.6%**

**Tumbili: 100%**

**Tembo: 96.4%**

**Mamba: 90.5%**

**Simba: 98.2%**

**Twiga: 99.1%**

### PADDINGTONS:

**Kiboko: Francesca, Tian,  
Harry and Alexis**

**Tumbili: Toby, Ayooluwa,  
Patrick and Evie**

**Tembo: Franklin, Amelia,  
Mitchell and Logan**

**Mamba: Layla, Blakely,  
Cameron and Hollie**

**Simba: Dev, Iris, Megan and  
Harry**

**Twiga: Lily, Erin, Jake and  
Oscar**

### GOLDEN TABLE:

**Kiboko: Harry**

**Tumbili: Belle**

**Tembo: Edie-Mae**

**Mamba: Henry**

**Simba: Dylan**

**Twiga: Ella**

Dear Parent/Guardian,

A brilliant week, some super visits to local places and very well behaved children when out and about.

**ESAFETY EVENING** Lorin, the Head of the Breck Foundation told her story to all of those who attended. I appreciate the time given by so many families.

Whilst incredibly sad, we hope this story will make a difference.

**RESULTS** I could not be more proud of my children and staff. The levels reached last year exceed not only the town but Essex and national data. Well done!

**PRIMARY STATUS** This week Mr Chapman and myself met with a member of the Local Authority to discuss the next steps towards securing this application and change of status.

I want to clarify; particularly to the Year 2 parents, the current situation. I know many think that we have already been given the go ahead but this information is wrong. This is certainly not the case and we will be singing from every roof top when we have the final decision. I have kept you up to date and you know as much as the Governing Body (Local Advisory Board) and the leadership team.

There is a process to follow and this will be presented to the parent community, I hope that this will be immediately after half term. You will then be able to attend an information session, led by the Local Authority and have the opportunity to share your thoughts and opinions. This, as all Heads embarking on change know, must be completed.

I fully realise that decisions are already being made regarding your little ones and hope that you realise that this change is very much wanted by the Governing Body (Local Advisory Board) and the leadership team of this school. This change is one that will have impact on the whole town and as such is a connected proposal.

I will continue to keep you informed. Should you wish to speak with me, Mr Chapman and Mrs Doe please do not hesitate to contact us; we want the very best for your children.

**MASKS** Please could we remind you that children are not allowed to bring masks into school.

**NO TECH DAY** Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October is No Tech Day. We are doing this to highlight to all the children what a massive part technology plays in our every day lives. We will not be using any form of technology throughout the whole day including phones, computers, iPads etc.(this does not include the office, who will still be in full contact all day). Maybe you could try this at home??

**TALK TIME MINUTES** Please see attached the minutes from this week's Computing and E-Safety talk time.

**CONSULTATION EVENING** Please return the slip enclosed in book bags, indicating your preferred date and time slot.

**THE WICK COUNTRY PARK** are looking for new members for their committee and are worried that if they do not get enough support they will not be able to continue to run and this could be a real shame for our local community. If you or anyone you know may be able help them please contact Nikki Gibson, on [nikkigibson621@btinternet.com](mailto:nikkigibson621@btinternet.com), or 01268 734293.

### **MOMENT OF LOVELINESS**

Many thanks to Mrs Tarplett for her presentation on developing fine motor skills this week, judging by the photographs this was another well received event. Thank you to one of the 'mini Tarplett's' for putting the tasks through a practice run, it certainly paid off. I hope that you found the session useful.

### **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, four days to go!

Mrs Johnson