



Wyke Primary Academy

Newsletter



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Dear Parents and Carers

It is always lovely to hear good news and compliments about our school and the wonderful children we have here at Wyke. We regularly hear positive feedback from various people about our children.

When Year 3 visited Butser Ancient Farm this term, one of the adults who ran a group said that the class were the best class she had ever had and that their behaviour was exemplary!

I took Year 6 swimming on Thursday and the swimming instructors made a point of coming to tell me that they love teaching the Wyke lessons because the children all listen and behave so well!

Last week, Christine Dickinson, the Kite CEO, came to Wyke to talk to children to gather "Pupil Voice" and met with 4 children from each class from Reception up to Year 6. She was very impressed with how confident the children were, how they were able to articulate their learning and how they talked so positively about school life.

Well done to all our pupils...and of course thank you to you all for supporting the school regarding behaviour expectations.



It's been a busy two weeks...

On Monday Berenice Wall, from Futures for Showmen, visited the school and spoke to us all in assembly about being a Showman and what it is Showmen do. Year 3 took part in a competition, organised by Ashley Watson, to design a new fair ride. The winners won a prize and free tickets for the fair in Aldershot. Some of our Showman families have donated books to the school too.



On Tuesday, a group of our Year 6 pupils went to Holly Lodge Academy to take part in a SATRO building challenge. The group had to use memory, mathematical and building skills to complete challenges. Well done Year 6 for representing Wyke so well! Holly said "I really thought it was fun because you learnt new life skills."

As you know, Folly Hill Infant School has recently joined the Kite Academy Trust. Yesterday, 2 of our pupils went to Hale Academy to celebrate with representatives from all the other Kite Trust Academies and to welcome Folly Hill. It was fun flying kites together...even though it was in the snow!



We took part in some Safer Internet Awareness workshops on Wednesday. Sharon Girling, a former police officer, spoke to each class about keeping themselves safe when on the internet, playing games online and as they get older, using social media.

Mitchell said: She taught us that our brains don't grow properly if we spend too much time on our devices before bed time!"

Emilia learned that you should only have TikTok if you are 13 and that you can have a family TikTok account.

Billy said" We learnt about old phones and new phones and how we can set the restrictions on a phone to keep safe."

They were really useful sessions and the children and adults all came away with some more, important knowledge. (Sharon also commented on how well the children behaved!)



Covid Update

Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, Sajid Javid, set out the [next steps for living with COVID-19](#) in England from Friday 1 April.

Free COVID-19 tests will continue to be available for specific groups, including eligible patients and NHS staff, once the universal testing offer ends on Friday 1 April.

Updated guidance advise is:

- adults with the symptoms of a respiratory infection, and who have a high temperature or feel unwell, should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people until they feel well enough to resume normal activities and they no longer have a high temperature*
- children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can go back to school, college or childcare when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend*
- adults with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days, which is when they are most infectious. For children and young people aged 18 and under, the advice will be 3 days*

All that's left is for me to say a big thank you once again to all the amazing Wyke staff. This has been a tough term with juggling staff and pupil absence, but once again, they have all been brilliant and kept on going!

And to our wonderful Wyke families...I hope that you all have a wonderful Easter break. I hope the weather is kind to us and you all get a well-deserved break!

See you all on TUESDAY 19th APRIL, ready for the Summer term.

Regards,
Michelle

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Start of Summer Term	Tuesday 19 th April 2022 (Clubs start today)
Reception Trip to the Farm	Thursday 21 st April 2022
Year 6 Residential Info Eve	Thursday 21 st 2022 (6pm)
Parents Evenings	Wednesday 27 th April and Thursday 28 th April
Year 5 swimming starts	Thursday 28 th April 2022
Spring Reports Portal for Year 1 -6 opens	Tuesday 3 rd May 2022
Year 4 Trip to Mary Rose Museum	Wednesday 4 th May 2022
Year 1 Trip to the Farm	Thursday 5 th May 2022
Donut Sale	Friday 6 th May 2022
Year 6 Residential	Monday 16 th May- 20 th May 2022
Postponed Young Voices Concert	Monday 23 rd May 2022
Queens Platinum Jubilee Event	Friday 27 th May 2022
Break up for half term	27 th May 2022 (15:15)
INSET Day	Monday 6 th June 2022
Children back to school	Tuesday 7 th June 2022
Provisional Sports Day	Wednesday 6 th July 2022
Summer term reports portal opens	Monday 11 th July
Breaks up for the summer holidays	Thursday 21 st July 2022 (13:30)
Pupils return to school for 2022-2023	Monday 5 th September 2022