



Wyke Primary Academy



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4th February 2022 – Spring 4

Dear Parents and Carers

It has certainly been an eventful week! Thank you once again for your understanding regarding the move to remote learning suddenly on Tuesday. Speaking to some parents, they have said that they could see the difference in how their children approached home learning compared to this time last year. Moving to learning at home so suddenly is not something that would have happened easily a few years ago.

It was lovely to see some of you at the open evening yesterday. The children are all so proud of their work and love to share it with you. We do have the more formal parents' evenings in the summer term, however, please do come and see us at anytime if you have a query or concern.

INSET Days

I wanted to draw your attention to the INSET Dates for the remainder of this year and to the start dates in September. We have 5 INSET days across the year. These days are used for staff training and academy development that is linked to our Academy Improvement Plan actions. Due to the nature of the staff training, trainer availability, across Trust collaboration, etc, INSET dates sometimes change throughout the year. New dates are always shared in the newsletter with as much notice as possible. For this academic year, we have 4 INSET Days remaining and these dates will not change now:

- Friday 11th February 2022
- Monday 21st February 2022
- Monday 6th June 2022
- Friday 22nd July 2022



September 2022 – Not all INSET dates for next academic year have been set, however, we know we will be having an INSET day on Friday 2nd September and the children will all be back to school on MONDAY 5th SEPTEMBER 2022.

After School Clubs



After school club letters went out yesterday and bookings open on Monday at 16:00. Clubs will start from the 22nd February until the 15th of July. We do always try to offer a spread of clubs across the week and across the Key Stages, so hopefully there is something for everybody.

Online Safety Alert

It has been brought to our attention that sinister characters going by the names of "Huggy Wuggy" and "Kissy Wissy" are being circulated online.

The character "Huggy Wuggy" is a rather sinister looking bear with razor sharp teeth that sings concerning songs about hugging and killing and "Kissy Wissy" is also a sinister looking character that sings about kissing and killing. These characters can be easily viewed on Youtube channels and because of their friendly names it is able to infiltrate firewalls and filters.

We have also been made aware that there is a version of 'Huggy Wuggy' that is available through Roblox.

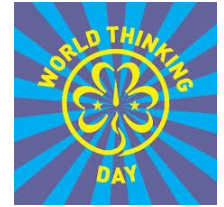


World Thinking Day

The 22nd February, is World Thinking Day when Girl Guides and Girl Scouts everywhere remember each other and reaffirm their commitment to international friendship and understanding.

It originated at the 1926 World Conference and was first celebrated in 1927 - February 22 being chosen because this date marks the joint birthday of the Founder and the World Chief Guide Lord and Lady Baden-Powell.

We would like to invite all the Guides, Brownies, Cubs, Beavers and Rainbows to wear their uniforms to school on the day, which is the first day back after half term.



School Lottery



<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/wyke-primary-academy>

Friends of Wyke have set up a school lottery page. If you click on the link above, you will be able to purchase tickets and stand a chance of winning prizes while also helping the school. Good luck!

BINGO! To book a place at the Friends of Wyke parents Bingo on Tuesday 8th February, please log in through Scopay. The deadline to book is Monday 15:00. Tickets are £5.

Have a lovely weekend.

Regards,
Michelle

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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| FOW Bingo | Tuesday 8 th February 2022 |
| Year 6 swimming starts | Thursday 10 th February 2022 |
| INSET Day | Friday 11 th February 2022 |
| February Half Term | 14 th – 18 th February 2022 |
| INSET Day | Monday 21 st February 2022 |
| Thinking Day | Tuesday 22 nd February 2022 |
| World Book Day | Thursday 3 rd March 2022 |
| Break up for Spring Break | 1:30 Friday 1 st April 2022 |
| Easter Trail | 1 st April 13:45 |
| Start of Summer Term | Tuesday 19 th April 2022 |
| 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 April 2022 |
| Year 6 Residential | Monday 16 th May 2022 |
| Postponed Young Voices Concert | Monday 23 rd May 2022 |
| INSET Day | Monday 6 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 |
| Pupils return to school for 2022-2023 | Monday 5 th September 2022 |