



**"Wherever the river flows,
life will flourish"**

Head teacher's message

This week please draw your attention to **two** key events happening over the next few weeks. Firstly, we are fast approaching world book week and as part of this we will be holding a book fair in school starting on the 29th February. More details can be found further down and in the attachments.

Secondly, you will have read my letter at the end of last term outlining our concern regarding the volume of traffic, unsafe use of the school drive etc. for our children. To combat this, we will be working with the local authority to improve the safety of the school drive and to launch a range of exciting initiatives to encourage walking/scooting to school or to park and stride. Below is a summary of changes we are implementing as a school, and what we are encouraging families to do where possible and details about our first event for the children to take part in.

What are we hoping for?

We would like to encourage as many families as possible to use an alternative to their cars to attend school due to the volume of traffic, the difficulty parking and to encourage safer/healthier alternatives where possible.

Below is a **5/10 minute walking map**. If you live within these bubbles we are encouraging you to walk, cycle scoot to school where possible. **Park and Stride** - if you live further away could you park and stride? This is where you drive part of the journey, park 5/10 minutes away and walk the rest?



Changes school are making

- *The school gates **will be locked** from 8:25 - 9:30 and 2:45 - 3:30 to reduce the risk to our children at our busiest times.
- ***Blue badge holders** will be able to access the school drive **between 8:25 - 8:35** to drop their children to school before the gates close with the caretaker manning the gates.
- *Investing in new storage for bikes/scooters so children can safely park their items.

Burst the Bubble

Our first initiative will be *burst the bubble*. The stickers (opposite) will be placed around the 5/10 min walking circle and the aim is for children to see if they can spot a burst the bubble sticker on their walk to school.



- Take a picture or selfie beside the sticker and send it into school via parents@wickprimary.org.uk to be entered into a prize draw for a book of their choice.

There will lots of other activities with amazing prizes to follow over the next few weeks/months to encourage our children travel in this way. Thank you as always for your support.

Mr Nesbitt & Mr Cockle.

Team Points

A great effort from children this term, **Golden Valley** has topped the leader board with 1030 points - look out for details of their team treat.

River Boyd - 221

Wick Court - 238

Golden Valley - 292

Blue Lodge - 156

Team points

Keep yourselves safe

Please see attached to the newsletter email, ways to keep both yourself and your children safe whilst using Instagram. Social media have great ways to communicate which unfortunately has a down side too.



FOWS

We are looking forward to welcoming lots of the children at the disco this evening and hope they've got their dancing shoes on! Thank you to everybody who bought tickets to support this event.

Tickets for the Mother's day gift shop have just gone live on Eduspot and are available to purchase until March 4th. Please see the poster for more details.

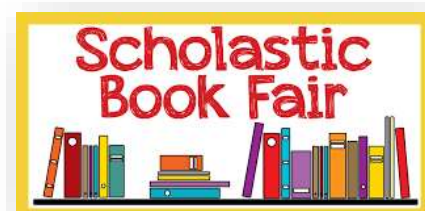


We are going to be helping out at the Book at Bedtime on the 6th of March. Please note this is available to purchase in the Eduspot app, we are not collecting money from children on the night. We will be offering drinks and biscuits to parents in the school hall whilst your children are being read a book in their classrooms so please do stick around for a chat. We will also read a book in the hall for younger siblings who want to come along.

As ever, if you would like to get involved in any of these events or have suggestions for other events please get in touch with us at friendsofwickschool@gmail.com.

Book Fair

The scholastic book fair is coming to Wick on 29.2.24 until 7.3.24 as part of world book week, the fair will be held every day after school in the hall, please collect your child first and then make your way to the hall with them if you would like to come and have a look, it will be sign posted. You will be able to pay online via scanning a QR code or cash can be accepted. Children that attend an after school club or use school the bus, please send them in with cash in a named envelope if you would like them to buy a book, and a member of staff will open the fair for them to buy from. World book tokens of £1 can be used towards a book which will be handed out next week Please see the additional attachment which gives examples of the exciting book that can be purchased!



Deer Class

We have been learning about Judaism and we loved the visit from Iris. Iris is from the Progressive Jewish Congregation who meet at their Bannerman Road synagogue in Bristol. She brought objects of Judaism for us to learn about and she made bread to share with us, just like she would share with her family and friends on Shabatt. We liked learning all about Judaism. She told us that Jewish people believe that God is all around us and that there is one God which is just the same as Christians who believe in Jesus who is the Son of God. Thank you Iris. We would like you to come again.



Headteacher Awards



Jude

Corey

Tillie

Isobel P

Grace G

Alayah

Lily A

Albie

Stars of the week this week awarded to:

Isaac Eden Alfie L Harry
Alice Herbie Ollie C Orla Meavy
Florence V Noah Issy P Poppy

Value certificates this week awarded to:

Edie D Bertie H Bella S
Louis Roe Jasmine R
Miles Caitlin



Children proudly showing their certificates!



	% Attendance Last week of Term 3
Badgers	95
Deer	96.6
Foxes	90.7
Magpies	94.2
Owls	86.3
Peregrines	93.1
Woodpeckers	96.4
Whole School	93.1



A big well done to Deer class for achieving the highest attendance during the last week of Term 3.

Diary Dates - Dates in bold indicate newly added this week

Term 4

Wednesday 6th March - Book at bedtime 6-6.30pm, come back to school and enjoy hearing bedtime stories with your class teacher by fairy light, wear your pjs, bring a teddy, pillow, mug and £1, to enjoy a hot chocolate and biscuits served by FOWS.

29th February to 7th March - Book Fair

Thursday 7th March - world book day - dress up as your favourite book character.

Thursday 7th & Friday 8th March - Indoor Prayer Space

Wednesday 20th March - Year 5 trip to Corinium Museum

Wednesday 27th March - Year 3 and 4 Production (Evening)

Thursday 28th March - Year 3 and 4 Production (Afternoon)

Thursday 28th March - Easter Service @ 10.45am All welcome

Term 6

Monday 3rd-Friday 7th June - Year 6 Camp

W/C 17th June - Sports Week

Wednesday 19th June - Sports Day

Wednesday 26th June - Class Photos

Thursday 4th & Friday 5th July - Year 2 Camp

Tuesday 23rd July - Leavers Service 11am

Tuesday 23rd July - Last day of term 6 - a reminder that children finish at 12:15

2023/2024

Term	Starts	Ends
Term 1	Friday 1 September 2023	Friday 20 October 2023
Term 2	Monday 30 October 2023	Friday 15 December 2023
Term 3	Tuesday 2 January 2024	Friday 9 February 2024
Term 4	Monday 19 February 2024	Thursday 28 March 2024
Term 5	Monday 15 April 2024	Friday 24 May 2024
Term 6	Monday 3 June 2024	Tuesday 23 July 2024

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Friday 22nd March 2024

Monday 8th July 2024

A message from Royal High School, Bath

Easter Discovery Day at Royal High Prep School. On **Saturday 16 March** we are delighted to be holding an Easter-themed morning at our school in Lower Weston. There is **no charge** for this event but places are allocated on a first-come-first-served basis. If you are interested to read more about it, the link to the event is on our website is below.

16 March – Easter Discovery Day for boys and girls aged 6-11

[Easter Discovery Day | 16 March 2024 - Royal High School Bath \(gdst.net\)](http://gdst.net)

We look forward to hearing from you!



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