



Waverley Academy

Teachers in the Summer Term

Spring Newsletter MARCH 2018

Dear Parents /Carers

We have come to the end of the second term. Children and staff have been working incredibly hard and improving standards across the academy. A recent Trust inspection commented on the high standard of work being completed by children; their impeccable behaviour both in the classroom and on the playground; their excellent manners and conduct around the school and the high quality work in books and on display. As a staff we are proud that our hardwork and that of the children is being acknowledged and that we are well on the way on our journey to being outstanding J20. Thankyou to all governors and parents who have supported the academy on its continuous improvement this term, as always it is much appreciated.

More of you are now subscribing to our 'Friends of Waverley' Facebook page showing our latest information and celebrations.

We are very excited to be joining the Astrea Trust on the 1st April this year. We have already begun to work with them and myself and staff are looking forward to all the benefits that being part of a Trust will bring for your children. E.g. English/maths expertise; professional development opportunities; sporting competitions, Some of you came along to the Astrea coffee morning this eek and met some of the Astrea Team and I know that many of you found that useful. If you do want to find out more about the Trust please go to www.astreaacademytrust.org

Staff at Waverley work exceptionally hard to make sure our children are working to their potential and at the same time have an exciting and enjoyable time. They, like me feel proud and privileged to teach such lovely children. Their excellent behaviour and impeccable manners are a credit to you and is commented upon daily by our visitors into school.

Have a wonderful Easter break

Yours sincerely



Miss Adams	N
Mrs Walton	YR
Mrs Wood	
Miss Liddle	Y1
Mrs Holmes	Y2
Mrs McGlone	Y3
Mrs Clover	Y4
Mr Pritchard	Y4
Mrs Buckle	Y5
Mrs Hussey	Y6

School Dates

- 24/04/18 bug busting 9.00am
- 14/05/18 KS2 SATS
- 24/05/18 last day of term
- 25/05/18 Teacher training Day
- 04/06/18 School opens
- 06/07/17 Pupil Reports
- 20/07/18 last day of term
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Coming Soon...

The school Council are very active and play a huge role in telling us what they children want to see in school to make it better for them!

- * **Stories under the stars**
- * **Twitter account**
- * **Astrea Promise**

Bulb Planting

Doncaster Parks and Gardens worked with Y4 (Rowan) earlier this term to plant hundreds of bulbs at the front of the school. We now have lots of beautiful crocus flowers.

Thankyou Rowan Class



Stories under the stars



We will be inviting KS2 children to camp out overnight in our quad in June. A letter with all the information will be sent out at the beginning of the Summer Term.

Volunteers STILL needed!

- To listen to readers
- Help out at events

If you want to volunteer please contact school: 853326

Next 'Friends of Waverley' meeting is on:

Wednesday 18th April at 3.30pm in the Library



The Easter bunny came to visit the children o Thursday and delivered chocolate eggs to all the children.

We held an Easter raffle and prizes were donated by staff in school—Thankyou to all who donated.

Uniform List

- Navy sweat-shirt/cardigan
 - Grey trousers/skirt
 - Grey/black socks for boys
 - White socks/grey tights for girls
 - **Black shoes-not trainers**
- Tesco embroidered services on-line

Parent Pay

In the interest of security, and to improve our ways of working, we are using ParentPay online. Those of you wishing to pay via PayPoint should contact the school office.

At the end of this school year any balances will be carried forward and you will see these on your account once you have logged in and activated it. We will gradually be introducing online payments for all events in school including trips and breakfast club. If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact the school office. 01302 853326



ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL

If your child is absent from school, please ring the school office to inform them as soon as possible that morning (preferably before 8.45am) Tel: 853326

MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS

If you have a dental or medical appointment during school time, pupils should only be absent for their appointment time and should return immediately to school. Please do try whenever possible to make such appointments either after school or during school holidays.

Behaviour & Safety

School visits and visitors into school

To enrich our children's learning experience, visits out of school play a large part in making the topic exciting and real.

Hands-on activities help the children to understand concepts and make links in their learning which is essential as we want them to make good progress.

We always ask for a donation as the school does not have any funding to be able to pay for both the activity and the transport. Over the years the governing body have subsidised trips from the school budget but this is currently not possible due to constraints on the budget.

Visitors into school for themed days is less expensive but equally as valuable and the voluntary contribution we would ask for would be much less.

If parents are unwilling to contribute the activity will not be able to go ahead.

Trips this term include:

**Doncaster Museum
Butterfly World
Cast Theatre**

Food and drinks in school

The school operate a 'Healthy Schools Policy'. Therefore all dinners/packed lunches provided by the school are nutritional and devised as part of a healthy diet. We do not expect to see packed lunches brought from home containing high levels of fat, sugar and salt. E.g. crisps, chocolate and biscuits.

It is very beneficial for children's health and well-being to be well hydrated. The school provide drinking water throughout the school which the children are able to drink freely. Any drinks sent in by parents should only be water as some children have been bringing in sweetened water which contains very high levels of sugar.

Thankyou for your support in this matter.

Waverley are holding an attendance challenge as there has been a dip in attendance over the year. Children with 97% or over will receive a prize at the end of each term and at the end of the year. National Average is 97% School is currently 94.4%

Behaviour in school is described as impeccable by latest Trust inspection; both in the classroom and on the playground

To ensure that all children feel safe in school have the best possible opportunity to reach their full potential we have a zero tolerance on bad behaviour. The behaviour policy is on the Waverley Academy website and from school by request.

www.waverleyacademy.com

Children who do not follow the school rules will go through the stages of the behaviour procedure. Unfortunately there are times when the school have no alternative but to issue fixed term exclusions which may lead to a permanent exclusion. These incidents are rare as we do try very hard to work with parents; the school community and external agencies if possible to be able to change poor behaviour to an acceptable level.

Our policy is the same as that of all the school's within the Balby pyramid and we do work together to support each other and sometimes as part of our inclusion policy have pupils from other schools for up to 5 days in order to impose a sanction other than exclusion. When parents sign the home-school agreement they are saying that they will support the school in it's aims and policies.

HEADLICE

Please could parents check their children's heads EVERY WEEKEND. If you suspect infestation please use a fine nit comb and treat you child's head immediately. If all parents did this we could contain any spread of headlice/nits in school.

Bug Busting Day

On 24th April we will hold another 'Bug Busting Day' and will be giving information out to all pupils/families

WORLD BOOK DAY

Although our World Book Day was delayed it was wonderful to see so many of our children dressed as their favourite book character. Mrs Wood and I had a great deal of difficulty deciding on a winner from each class as everyone had made a real effort! The winners were presented with a reading book of their choice in an assembly. Staff were dressed up too making it a fun way to celebrate reading.

