

Waverley Newsletter

Thursday 21st December 2023

Newsletter

Another fabulous half term at Waverley Academy, our school has been describe as a 'hub of excellence' and we are beyond proud. As another year draws to a close, I just wanted to take this moment to thank you all for your support. Waverley Academy is on a journey to excellence, and we couldn't do it without you.

Wishing you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Take Care

Mrs Stanton

Important dates coming up:

Thursday 21st December – Last day of school Friday 22nd December – Teacher Training Day

Monday 8th January - School Reopens

<u>Tuesday 9th January</u>— <u>Year 5 Swimming lessons Commence</u>
<u>Monday 15th January</u>— <u>Deadline to apply for Reception Places</u>
Thursday 1st February— Parent Coffee Morning 8.45-9.30am



Christmas Events

It has been wonderful to fully embrace Christmas at Waverley once again. From Nativity performances to Christmas Parties, Santa's Grotto, and even a special 'Cinderella' Pantomime performance in school. We have made the most of the festive season.

A highlight for us was inviting families to the Christmas Crafts evening, taking the time to spend with our Waverley community.



Attendance Prize Draw

Congratulations to winners of the Christmas Attendance Prize Draw:

Tesco Christmas Hamper- Xyahj (Elder Class)

Play Valley Voucher-Rozalia (Oak Class)

Bronze Certificate's will be coming out to all children with 100% attendance from September – December.

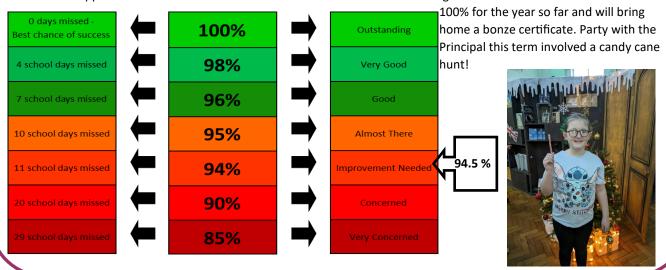
We will be holding an Easter Prize draw for 100% attendance. Make sure your child arrives at school by 8:45am everyday between 8th January and 28th March to be in with a chance of winning

Year 5 Swimming

Year 5 (Hazel Class) will start their swimming lessons with Swimstars and Dolphins after the Christmas holidays, as part of the National Curriculum.

If your child is in Hazel Class, please make sure they arrive at school in good time every Tuesday, with their swimming bags, including swimming costume/trunks and a towel. Long hair must be tied up.

<u>Attendance</u> Our year to date attendance is 94.5%. We are working towards our target of 96% and ask that you continue to support us. 69 students had 100% attendance this term and will bring home a certificate. 44 students have



Charitable Fundraising

Thank you all for contributing towards charitable fundraising events. Our Macmillan coffee morning raised £40.31. We also raised £84.80 for Children in Need, and £20.27 for Show Racism the Red Card.

A huge thank you also for contributing to school fundraising, such as the superb Raffle Prize donations. Your support helps us to plan enriching activities for all children in school, such as this week's Pantomime performance.

Staff Changes

We're sure you will join us in wishing Mrs Balazs well in her next adventures, as she leaves Waverley this Christmas. In January, we will be joined by Mrs Priestnall as Year 2 teacher, who will be supported by Mrs Johnson.

Guitar Lessons

Children who receive weekly guitar lessons performed beautifully to school this term. If your child is interested in starting lessons, they can try a free taster session with Create Music.



Spring Clubs

There are still spaces for clubs in January

Football Club Mondays 3:15-4:15pm (Mr Wood)

Club open to: Year 3/4/5/6

<u>Singing & Dancing</u> Tuesdays 3:15–4:15pm (Mrs Johnson)

Club open to: Reception, Year 1/2/3/4/5/6

Film Club Thursdays 3:15- 4: 15pm (Miss Burgin)

Club open to: Reception, Year 1/2/3/4/5/6

Clubs run from Monday 8th January to Friday 9th February. Children can remain in school until their club begins. Please book on MCAS under 'Clubs'. £5 per club

Nursery & Reception

Please note the closing date for Reception applications is 15th January 2023. If your child has their 5th birthday between 1st September 2023 and 31st August 2024, you need to apply (even if your child currently attends our Nursery). Please visit https://www.doncaster.gov.uk/services/schools/school-admissions.

Spaces are available in our Nursery setting for the term after children turns 3. Start dates are after Christmas and Easter. We recommend arranging a visit for anyone considering school places.