

WAWNE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

MARCH 2019



Welcome to the March edition of Wawne Primary School newsletter. The aim is to produce a monthly newsletter to keep you up to date with what is going on in the school and to celebrate the successes of the children.

Firstly, I'd like to extend my thanks to you all for welcoming me into the school and to work with your children. I had a great first week getting to know all the children and the staff and together we have lots of ideas for positively moving the school forward.

This is a first attempt at producing the newsletter and hopefully over time I can build on its content to ensure communication about what has and is going on at the school is available to you. Any suggestions are very welcome.

Have a lovely March and I look forward to meeting many more of you in person over the next few weeks.

PARENTAL FEEDBACK

Thank you to all parents who completed the questionnaires. I appreciate you taking the time and for your honesty. Similar themes came back from parents, staff and children so we have some clear areas to work on and move forward. The key areas which were a focus are:

- Communication
- Consistent behaviour management
- Consistency in leadership
- Consistency in staffing

None of the concerns raised are a quick fix but over time I know we can improve and ensure the best possible provision for the children. I look forward to working with you to develop the school further.

RED NOSE DAY

On Friday 15th March we will be joining in with Red Nose Day.



Red noses are now on sale at the school office for £1.25

The children are invited to make a voluntary donation towards the charity and to wear something red for the day.

WATER BOTTLES



Please ensure that your child has their water bottle in school. Too much learning time is being wasted by children queuing up at the water fountains after break times and also during lessons. The children are allowed water bottles in the classroom and there are filtered water coolers in every classroom area.

A well hydrated child is a child who will learn better but not if they are spending their time queuing at the water fountain missing the learning opportunities.



@WawnePrimary

We are relaunching our Twitter feed to give you more regular information about what is going on in the school. The staff will have access to a school mobile phone device (only used for Twitter) and will take pictures and videos of the children throughout the day of all the wonderful things going on. These will be posted on the twitter feed at regular intervals.

Follow **@WawnePrimary** to see your child learning and having fun.

We will be launching our daily tweets on Thursday 7th March on World Book Day.

Please sign and return the attached permission slip as soon as possible, so we can relaunch our Twitter feed on World Book Day and let your child's teacher know if you **DO NOT** want your child to appear on our Twitter feed.



Thank you to all the parents that have been bringing junk modelling resources in for our Foundation class, please continue to do so as the children have lots of creative ideas and resources are often running low.

Also if you have any spare clothes for when the children have accidents or get wet / covered in mud or paint they would be very much appreciated.

Children do need to bring their own spares but sometimes they are not replaced or are forgotten when things have been used.

Following the success of the recent parent's morning keep your eye out for further information about the next planned event.

CELEBRATING SUCCESS



I have always taken part in sport throughout my life whether that be dance and gymnastics, school extra-curricular clubs or competing in Athletics and Weightlifting. I value the opportunities I was given and feel they have been key in teaching me about resilience, commitment and hard work. These are all key skills I wish the children of Wawne to develop and I want them to be proud of their achievements and have the opportunity to share and celebrate them.

If your child takes part in sports, dance or any extra activities outside of school please encourage them to come and tell us about their achievements. This could be that they have won medals, trophies and certificates or that they have learnt a new skill such as riding a bike or cooking a new dish! If your child is proud of something they have worked on and have achieved, then we would like to know about it.

Please send your child into school with their medals, trophies and certificates when they gain them and if you can send a photo which we can display on our celebrating success board then that would be fantastic!

I look forward to learning about how your children spend their time outside of school and what they are achieving in the process.

PARENT/CARER MEETINGS

Our Spring term parent/carer meetings will be held on Wednesday 3rd April and Thursday 4th April 2019. Appointments will be available from 2:30pm until 5:00pm. Activities are being arranged for the children so that the teachers are free to meet with yourselves.

The aim of the meetings is for the teachers to give you an update on your child's progress, successes and areas to work on moving forwards.

Appointment letters will be sent out this week.

FOWSA

Friends of Wawne Primary School work extremely hard to support school events and raise money for the school so that the children can have more opportunities and experiences to support their learning journey.

Over the past year FOWSA have raised over £7000 which has gone towards supporting school trips and resources.

In the current educational climate where funding for schools is becoming tighter and tighter this kind of support for a school is so valuable and we are lucky to have people in our community who are prepared to give up their spare time to provide for the children.

Please support FOWSA through the events that they organise and if you have some free time and would like to become a member and support the group please contact Alison Langley or Liz Thomas personally or through the school. Sadly the number of members has dwindled recently so it is important that we give our support to keep such a wonderful resource up and running.

MOVIE NIGHT

On Friday 8th March FOWSA have organised a Movie night for the children of Wawne School. This is a fantastic opportunity for your child to have a fun night out with their friends and enjoy a movie and some snacks.

Please help to support this event by encouraging your children to take part. Tickets are available from the school office



SPONSORED READ

Thank you to everyone who took part in the sponsored read that took place last week. The money raised will be matched funded and will go towards buying books for the children. Just a reminder to get the money collected and into school as soon as possible please so we can ensure we make the most of the matched funding.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 7th March – World Book Day- wear your pyjamas to school

Friday 8th March – FOWSA Movie Night

Wednesday 13th March – Foundation Stage parent/carer morning

Friday 15th March – Red Nose Day

Tuesday 2nd April – Class 1 and 2 church visit

Wednesday 3rd and Thursday 4th April – Parent/carer meetings 2:30-5:00pm

Friday 5th April – Break for the Easter Holidays

Wednesday 24th April – Children return to school for the start of the Summer term.

Thursday 25th April – Easter service at the church for children and Parents/Carers 1:45pm



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Twitter Consent Form

Please return to school as soon as possible

Child's Name: Class:

I give/do not give permission for my child's photograph to appear on the Wawne Primary School Twitter feed.

Signed: Printed Name:
Person with parental responsibility

Date: