# WAINWRIGHT PRIMARY ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

### Autumn Term 2 - Week Ending: 20.12.19



Wow! What a term is has been! The children have been incredible and we have had so many amazing experiences and opportunities. A HUGE thank you to everyone who has contributed to such an amazing term. As January approaches, we have a few messages that are important for parents in readiness of the new term.

Firstly, we have a **new** teacher, Miss Chapman, in Year 1 joining us in 1W. Miss Chapman is so delighted to be joining our team and will be looking forward to working in the Key Stage 1 team and Ms Bromley will still be with us in the New Year. Also Mrs Bown in F2W will be going on maternity leave, meaning this class will be working with another **new** member of staff, Miss Stirland. Also many of you will be aware that Miss Gledhill who also works across WPA is also on maternity leave; we wish both members of staff our biggest congratulations and look forward to meeting their new bundles of joy.

I am so proud of everyone for their hard work and dedication this term. The children are working so hard and taking up so many of the opportunities we have to offer, from visiting the farm to attending one of the many clubs we have. I want to take the opportunity to wish everyone a very Happy Christmas over this festive season, from all the staff here at WPA. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in January.

Mr Chapman Principal

# THE PRINCIPAL

What a wonderful time of year this is in school – the corridors and classrooms are full of excitement, laughter and glitter!! We have seen the acting and singing skills of all the pupils come to life through their plays, carol services and various events. It has been a pleasure to see them all take part in celebrating the wonders of this special time.



The planning for next term is in full swing and the teachers spent time together on Monday night, discussing the English texts they will be covering in January. I am sure the children will return to school feeling fully refreshed and ready to take on the new challenges of 2020! Thank you so much to all the teachers, pupils and families who work tirelessly every day to ensure our children receive the very best education available to them.

I hope you all get chance to spend time with your loved ones during the holidays and make some special memories to treasure.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Mrs Spacey Senior Principal

Don't Worry about being perfect. Make memories Nance Hoffman Rainbows Mrs Bennett, our Assistant SENCO, runs the 8<sup>th</sup> Mansfield Brownies and Rainbows for girls, in the town centre on Thursdays. Rainbows 5 - 7 years from 5.30pm to 6.30pm - £2.00 Brownies 7 - 10 years from 6.30pm to 8pm - £2.50 Games, crafts, badges, activities and trips Please go to www.girlguiding.org.uk if you would like to join us and select Thursday 8th Mansfield. Safeguarding Parking on the Zig-Zags Children IMPORTANT REMINDER POLITEINOTICE To keep our children safe. it is extremely important that all THINK parents/carers refrain from parking on the yellow zig-zags outside the academy. Thank you for your continued support.

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### **INVESTORS IN PUPIL AWARD**



Back in September, we made you aware that we were working towards the Investors in Pupils award at Wainwright. This week, we were delighted to receive the news that we have now gained Investors in Pupils status! We are so proud of each and every pupil in the academy who has shown how driven and determined they are to work hard every day and achieve their best, how well behaved the pupils are and how keen they are to show their 4B's at all times. We have a wide range of pupil leadership teams established at the academy, who have driven a wide variety of initiatives and events, with lots more wonderful ideas for the New Year!

Investors in Pupils doesn't stop there; we have achieved a status of 'embedded' across all the following areas: Learning, Behaviour, Attendance, Classroom Management, Induction and now we are on a mission to achieve 'proficient' by the time the award is next reviewed in December 2021.



Queen Elizabeth's Academy will be once again opening their doors over the Christmas holidays to spread some festive joy.

Their Boxing Day Brunch takes place on the 26<sup>th</sup> December from 11am – 2pm and is open to the whole community.

Nobody should be alone or hungry at Christmas, so please spread the word and join the Queen Elizabeth's Academy on Boxing Day.

Please come along and join Mrs Hallam and her family; it really is a fabulous event, with lots of activities, party games, Santa and some delicious free food and drink.

# Attendance

Please could you telephone the Academy first thing in the morning if your child is going to be absent. Thank you.

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# Congratulations to 4P for having the highest class attendance in the whole academy

The whole academy attendance currently stands at 95.72%.

The motto in the academy is to 'give it our best shot!' so even if we are feeling under the weather, we will come to school and if necessary, we will send the children home. Please note that we have trained first aiders on site at all times, therefore your children are in safe hands.

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#### Friends of Wainwright Primary Academy (PTA)

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our wonderful PTA members, who continue to give up their own time to plan, prepare and deliver so many wonderful opportunites for all of our pupils, parents and carers at Wainwright Primary Academy. This term alone, they have provided us with discos, Children in Need, Winter Wonderland, refreshments at the parents evenings and nativities, Santa's grotto and much much more.

We have lots more planned for the new year so watch this space!



## **Christmas Dinner Day**

A massive thank you to our amazing midday team, who created the most magical Christmas dinner day for the children on Wednesday.

The hall looked wonderful with all the festive decorations, Christmas music playing, children's laughter and excitement as dinner was served.

All the staff ate dinner with the children and so many children complimented the food that was served. One child said the 'trifle wasn't just good, it was amazing, the best they have ever tasted!'

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all our members of the kitchen staff and all our midday supervisors for all their hard work, time and dedication; we really are so lucky to have such caring staff.







### REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR CHRISTMAS HAMPERS

At the beginning of December, Wainwright staff decided to take part in the reverse advent calendar.

How the reverse advent calendar works, is by each member of staff bringing in items of food, toiletries, cleaning products and small gifts, which can then be made into hampers to be distributed to our families at Wainwright who are struggling this Christmas time.

The staff have given so generously, that a team of people made up 25 hampers and yesterday morning, our Site Manager, Steve Davis and our School Crossing Patrol lady, Alison Munks, kindly delivered the hampers to the families homes.

Since then, Mrs Hallam has received a call from a local charity, who have heard about the great work we are doing at Wainwright and the charity have offered donations of toys, which we can then distribute to our families in need.

We understand that you may find it difficult to come forward for support when you have fallen upon hard times, but it's really important that you do, as there is so much support out there. You can get in touch by directly messaging Mrs Hallam via class dojo, text or phone on 07966 947229, or alternatively via email at <u>jhallam@wainwrightprimary-ac.org.uk</u>.



# Wainwright Superstars!



Congratulations to Matthew in 3P, who has achieved his 600 metres badge in swimming. This is an amazing achievement and everyone at WPA are incredibly proud of you!

Congratulations to Eva in 1W for achieving her duckling 3 badge at swimming. This is a fantastic achievement and everyone at WPA are super proud of what you have achieved at such a young age!





We would like to congratulate Amara-Lacie from 3W, who was nominated for a Junior Sports person of the Year award at the Mansfield Sports Recognition Awards earlier this month. This is an incredible achievement and we are so fortunate to have such a talented young person in our academy.

Please let us know about any of your children's achievements outside of the academy, by directly messaging Mrs Hallam via class dojo, text, or phone on 07966 947229 or alternatively via email at jhallam@wainwrightprimary-ac.org.uk