



# Wickham Common

## Primary School

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Dear children, parents and carers,

Welcome to a new half term. Coming back from the February break is normally an indicator that Spring is on the way – hopefully that will be reflected in the weather in the coming weeks! I appreciate that there has been a plethora of correspondence from the school this week, so I'll attempt to tie together the main points here in case anything has been missed as well as share some new information.

You will have received a separate letter from me **inviting you to stand for the role of Parent Governor**. In my time at Wickham Common, the importance of having a strong and supportive governing body has always been palpable and the impact they can have on all aspects of school life is huge. Within a governing body, the role of Parent Governor is vital as they can bring an understanding of what it's like to be a parent in our school community. If standing for governor is something you would be interested in doing, please do read through the letter sent for further details. I would also be more than happy to hear from you individually if you wish to discuss your suitability for the role.

You will already be aware of our **World Book Day** arrangements – taking place on Friday of next week. The lovely people at World Book Day did not, unfortunately, send through enough paper Book Tokens for the whole school. As such, please find attached a digital version for your convenience.

Parents of children in Years 3-5 should have received an email today containing your children's **PIXL learning checklists**. Hopefully my correspondence earlier in the week will have answered any questions you may have about this information, but please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any queries.

A quick reminder about **sickness and diarrhoea bugs**. Our policy dictates that children suffering from either of these ailments should not return to school until 48 hours after the last event. We appreciate that there are occasions when this seems excessive, but please consider how easy bugs of this nature can be passed onto other children and, in fact, staff members too.

We have a busy week on the horizon. As previously mentioned, we have World Book Day to look forward to on Friday. On Thursday, our Year 2 children have an exciting day ahead of them visiting the **Tower of London**. Also on Thursday, we have the next in our program of **Parental Workshops**. Mrs Gallagher will be talking to those of you who are able attend and sharing with you the EDI provision at Wickham Common. Please note, on this occasion there will only be



one session taking place at 2.30pm and signup is available on Arbor/Clubs. On Monday, our year 6 children are visiting Biggin Hill Memorial Museum.

Finally, Fridays are a great time to send out a newsletter as I get to include the details of our **Value Awards winners** this week. Congratulations to all of the children mentioned below for demonstrating the values that we hold in such high regard at Wickham Common.

Class	Name	Value
Acorns	Stanley	Effort
Conkers	Holly	Kindness
1 Ash	Cooper B	Effort
1 Maple	Ella	Creativity
2 Elm	Joshua	Effort
2 Holly	Amara	Kindness
3 Cherry	Tom	Creativity
3 Horse Chestnut	Belle	Kindness
4 Hazel	Andre	Effort
4 Poplar	Archie	Responsibility
5 Beech	Scarlett	Effort
5 Willow	Lexie	Integrity
6 Lime	Amelia	Creativity
6 Oak	Jackson	Respect

Other reminders:

- 4<sup>th</sup> March PTA clothes collection fundraiser. Bags to be brought to school on this day only by 9am
- **PE Days this half term**

Reception - Tuesday

Year 1 –Monday and Thursday

Year 2 - Monday and Friday

Year 3 - Monday and Friday

Year 4 – Wednesday and Thursday

Year 5 - Monday and Tuesday

Year 6 - Thursday and Friday

Enjoy the weekend,

Yours sincerely,



Mr Ben Slack  
Assistant Headteacher



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