

# ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

TERM 6 2019

## Broadening Horizons

18<sup>th</sup> June 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am delighted to share the news that the Arts Council England has awarded our academy an Artsmark Gold Award for providing 'rich and authentic' opportunities in the Arts. The award acknowledged our many partnerships such as ARTS NK, Lincoln University and the National Gallery and notable areas of strength include not only outcomes for our children but also quality professional development opportunities that we have provided for staff enabling them to become more confident in delivering the Arts. We are thrilled that this award acknowledges the opportunities that our children have to develop their knowledge, skills and understanding of the arts and culture. The award also recognises the leadership of Mrs Lyons, who has developed and coordinated opportunities to ensure that children receive a broad range of art and cultural experiences.

Our Artsmark Gold Award sits proudly alongside our Primary Science Quality Silver Mark, our Sainsbury's School Games Gold Award and our Sing-Up Gold Award.

During this term, our Year 6 leavers will have lots of opportunities to remember and reminisce about their time at Waddington Redwood. They will be celebrating their hard work, excellent behaviour and exemplary attitudes. They will be sadly missed by all the staff, governors and children but we do hope that they can take some time from their busy schedules at secondary school to come back and visit us to share their exciting news. I would like to take this opportunity to say farewell to all our families who will not be returning in September 2019 – thank you for your patience, kindness and support over the years and good luck for the future.

For everyone who will be returning, we will welcome you back to school at **08.50am on Wednesday 4th September 2019.**

### Young Writers Competition

Recently, Redwood received some very exciting news from Young Writers: a creative writing and poetry competition. Three of our Year 6 children will have their entries to the competition published. Their writing was entitled 'The Incredible Diary of...' and each entry showed their creativity, flair and imagination. Needless to say, we are incredibly proud of their achievements and wish them luck as budding authors of the future!

### Swimming

This term, the children at Waddington Redwood are back in our heated, outdoor swimming pool, practising their front-crawl, backstroke, breast-stroke and (for some) even butterfly. We offer swimming lessons to all children in school, from Reception to Year 6 during this summer term and the children absolutely love it!

### **Sporting Update**

Waddington Redwood's football team have made a great start to their Synergy Sports Super League campaign with two wins so far against Hartsholme Academy and Reepham CofE Primary. We are currently top of our league and have a very good chance of qualifying for the semi-finals. Our Year 4/5 footballers also got the opportunity to compete at a tournament at Lincoln City in early June. They were highly competitive, recorded some excellent results and even got the chance to lift Lincoln's recently won Football League 2 trophy! Later this term, it will be the chance of our girls' football team to also show off their skills at Sincil Bank.

### **Sports' Days**

Sports' days are scheduled to take place on the morning of **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2019** for Reception and Key Stage One and the morning of **Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2019** for Key Stage Two. In the event of inclement weather, the Reception and Key Stage One event will take place in the morning of **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2019** and the Key Stage Two event will take place on **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2019**.

### **School Uniform**

We respectfully request that children wear school uniform to school at all times and this includes **proper sensible black shoes and not training shoes**. A reminder that school uniform consists of the following:

#### **Girls:**

- grey or black trousers, skirt or pinafore (knee length);
- white blouse or polo shirt;
- red cardigan, jumper or sweatshirt;
- red and white dress in the summer;
- grey or black knee length shorts in the summer;
- red t-shirt and black shorts for indoor PE;
- sweatshirt, jogging trousers and training shoes/plimsolls for outdoor PE.

#### **Boys:**

- grey or black trousers;
- white shirt or polo shirt;
- red sweatshirt or jumper;
- grey or black knee length shorts in the summer;
- red t-shirt and black shorts for PE;
- sweatshirt, jogging trousers and training shoes/plimsolls for outdoor PE.

Only earrings of a close-fitting type may be worn. No other style is allowed for your child's own safety. Only one earring in each lobe is allowed and these should be removed for P.E. Watches may continue to be worn as their use is considered beneficial in learning how to tell the time, however, they should be removed for all physical activity. Hair decorations should be discreet and ideally be in the school colours. During physical activity, long hair must be tied back with a simple hair band.

### **Change to May Day Bank Holiday 2020**

As you may have read (<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-48565417>), the government has changed the date of next year's Early May Bank Holiday in order to mark the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of VE Day.

As a result, Waddington Redwood Primary Academy will now be open for a normal school day on **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2020** and closed for the Bank Holiday on **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2020**.

Full term dates for 2019-20 can be found at the end of this newsletter and on our academy website.

### Important Dates for your diary for 2020

<u>Test Period</u>	<u>Test or Check</u>
1 <sup>st</sup> May to 29 <sup>th</sup> May 2020	Y2 SATS testing period
11 <sup>th</sup> May to 14 <sup>th</sup> May 2020	Y6 SATS
8 <sup>th</sup> June to 12 <sup>th</sup> June 2020	Y1 phonics screening check
8 <sup>th</sup> June to 26 <sup>th</sup> June 2020	Y4 Multiplication check

**Please note that all children are expected to be in school during these dates. The school will not authorise term time leave of absence during these dates.**

### Classes for September 2019

The Senior Leadership team have been busy discussing plans for next year and can confirm that classes for September 2019 will be as follows:

<u>EYFS/KEY STAGE 1</u>		<u>KEY STAGE 2</u>	
<u>Class</u>	<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Teacher</u>
Reception	Mrs K Lyons	Year 3	Mrs S Blockley
Reception/Year 1	Miss L Hall	Year 3/4	Mrs E Nicholls
Year 1/2	Miss E Badger	Year 4	Mrs M Newbould (Acting Assistant Headteacher)
Year 2	Mrs S Milling – Assistant Headteacher	Year 5	Miss A Daubney
		Year 5/6	Miss L Kilby
		Year 6	Mr S Silk

### Class Allocation

Our academy policy is to allocate children to classes based on age. Consideration is then given to each class to ensure that it is balanced with regard to number of boys, girls etc. You will receive information about your child's class for September 2019 with your child's annual report. We have arranged a 'meet your new teacher' session on the morning of **Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2019** to enable children to get to know their new teachers in their new classrooms. Children in our reception classes and Year 2 spend this term working on transition arrangements to support them with their move into Key Stage One and Key Stage Two respectively. Parent/carers with children with specific additional needs will be contacted by Mrs McGeachie and Mrs Green in the summer term to discuss transition arrangements.

### Last day of term

In keeping with tradition, on the last day of school, **Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2019**, children can bring a toy or a game to play in the afternoon. **Please do not bring anything valuable and NO electronic games, iPads or iPods please.** Make sure that your child's name is on their game in case someone brings a similar one.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs F Kent  
Headteacher

## Diary Dates

Please note that these dates may be subject to change.

Date	Event
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Science Day
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Public Health England Dental Survey for 5 year olds
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Y6 Labyrinth
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	Non-Uniform Day
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Aspire Week
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Y5 & 6 Production 2pm and 6pm
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Friends Association Summer Fair
Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 Pool Party
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Reception and KS1 Sports Day
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	KS2 Sports Day
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Reception and KS1 Trip to Lincoln Castle
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	KS2 Wet Weather Sports Day
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Reception and KS1 Trip to Lincoln Castle
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Friends Association School Disco and Y6 Prom Night
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Reception and KS1 Wet Weather Sports Day
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Move up morning
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Term 6 ends
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> September	Term 1 begins

## Term Dates 2019-2020

Term 1

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2019 to Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2019

Term 2

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2019 to Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2019

Term 3

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2020 to Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2020

Term 4

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2020 to Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2020

Term 5

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2020 to Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2020

Term 6

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2020 to Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2020

**May Day Bank Holiday Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2020**

## Term Dates 2020-2021

Term 1

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2020 to Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2020

Term 2

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2020 to Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2020

Term 3

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2021 to Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2021

Term 4

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2021 to Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021

Term 5

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2021 to Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2021

Term 6

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2021 to Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2021

**May Bank Holiday Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2021**