

The Archer

School Newsletter No 2

21st October 2022

DEAR PARENTS/CARERS

It has been a very successful term for Wentworth as children have settled so well into the school year. We thank you all for your continued support as we help our children to develop.

Important dates for term 2

Christmas / Term 2 dates

Monday 31st October - First day of term

Wednesday 9th November - Parents' evening (3:30 - 6:10pm)

Thursday 10th November - Parents' evening (5:00 - 7:40pm)

Friday 18th November - Children in need non-uniform day

Monday 28th November - Last week of clubs

Thursday 1st December - EYFS nativity performance (10am - KS1 hall)

Wednesday 7th December - KS1 nativity performance 1 (10am - KS1 hall)

Wednesday 7th December - KS2 (Y5/6) carol concert to parents (1:00pm - Christchurch)

Thursday 8th December - KS1 nativity performance 2 (1:00pm - KS1 hall)

Friday 9th December - PTA Christmas fair

Friday 16th December - Last day of term

Reading with your child

As part of our home-school agreement, we encourage you to support your child with their reading every day. This could be through listening to them read, reading together or by creating an environment where they can read independently. Even 10-15 minutes of reading at home can make a huge difference to their progress. If you require any support or guidance in reading with your child, please visit our website or see your class teacher (www.wentworthonline.do.uk/reading).

Congestion around school

I have been contacted on numerous occasions throughout the term about the irresponsible parking around the school. At times, this parking is dangerous. Could I ask you to respect the following:

- Respect the signage and road marking around the school
- Do not stop to allow children out of the car at the school gates
- Do not park across our neighbours drives
- Where possible, walk to school.

We will continue to look at strategies to alleviate the pressures around school. You may have noticed additional signage around the school and our new scooter pod will be installed in the coming weeks to promote alternate ways of travelling to school.

Free Maths and English over half term

The Invicta Academy are offering free virtual sessions over the half term. Please head to <https://www.kelsi.org.uk/news-and-events/news/primary/free-maths-and-english-lessons> for more information.

Sports competitions

Wentworth pupils have competitively represented the school at various competitions this term. The boys' and girls' football teams both reached the finals stages of the Dartford District tournaments run at Princes Park. The year 3/4 competition was won by our mixed team. We look forward to more successes this year!

PTA

Over £400 was raised at our recent film nights. Many thanks to those who supported and our PTA who put on the event. A PTA uniform donation will be available next term. Any pre-loved uniform can be left at the collection point by the Wentworth Drive entrance of the school so that it can be sold on.



Parent courses

Do you want to improve your English, get back into work or help your child with their homework? Wentworth are offering you an opportunity to study for an Accredited Adult Functional Skills English Course. 21 weeks starting on Thursday 12 January, 2 hrs 9.30-11.30am. We are hosting the course of behalf of Adult Education enabling us to offer it free to all our parents/carers/grandparents. Please contact Pamela Hill our Family Liaison Officer to book on the course pamela.hill@wentworthonline.co.uk

Reception Parents

We hope you and your children have settled into the Wentworth community well over this first term. There is a reminder from the Kent Community Health Team to complete the survey that was issued at the beginning of the year at <https://kent-forms.hapi-system.com/TLM-kent/SinglePass/school-entry/> (Password Dartford 2022).

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Thank you to all the parents who supported our coffee morning on behalf of Macmillan and we raised approximately £250.00. Many thanks

Parents' evenings

We look forward to these events where you will have a chance to meet your child's teacher and discuss their progress. A separate letter will be circulated with the details of how to register for an appointment.