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# News Update - 28th March 2024

#### Caretaker

We are delighted to announce that we have finally been able to appoint a new caretaker. Mr Christian Evans started work on Monday this week. He is a retired police officer who has contacts in Waverton. He has met all the children and staff over the last couple of days and we are looking forward to having him on our team for many years to come.

#### **Headteacher Recruitment**

The governors have now completed the shortlisting for the new headteacher. The interviews will take place on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> April.

# **Sporting events**

It has been a very impressive few weeks for our children on the sporting front. Our cross-country team are Chester Schools Cross Country Champions for 2024, after the inter-school event at Ellesmere Port Sports Village in March. Children from year 3 to Year 6 took part in the event in very difficult conditions. This is the first time I can recall in my time here that we have achieved this accolade so it's a great achievement. Our hockey team represented Chester Schools at the Cheshire and Warrington Youth Games in Alderley Edge, where they came in a very commendable 5<sup>th</sup> place and the U11 football team beat Christleton 5-0. Our year 3 girls took part in a football festival at the King George V community hub and two netball teams played in a tournament at Blacon High School.

# **Musical Events**

Some of our children who take piano lessons with Mrs Buck, known as the Mini Maestros, performed at the annual Walk Mill Concert last weekend, sharing the talent with visitors to the café. Well done to: Ellena Gaselee, Imogen Parkes, Lauren Parkes, Ilias Cooper, Lila Cooper, Thea Wilson, Lily Prince, Millie Webb and Kitty Mackay. Thanks to Mrs Buck for all her hard work and Caroline Doherty for hosting the event.

## **Online Safety**

With the Easter holidays just around the corner many children will be tuning into their favourite shows on Disney+. Internet Matters have a really good guide for parents about the settings that are available to keep content at a level suitable to the age of their children. The full guide can be found **HERE** 

### Survey

Mrs Cartwright has collated the results of our recent parent survey. Please see attachments for further information.

### **Laptops**

Thanks go to Peter Wilkinson for putting Waverton School forward for the Vauxhall Motors Donation to Education Scheme, from which we gratefully received 10 laptops.

### PTA

The PTA held their AGM on March 14<sup>th</sup>. The Chair is Hannah Dow, Vice Chair Katherine Matthews, Treasurer Katharine Taheri and Secretary, Emma O'Reilly. They have agreed to continue to support the funding of our Forest School development organised by Mrs Cartwright over the next year. As well as infrastructure, the money will go towards staff training and development, using a company called Camp Curiosity.

PTA Quiz Night – Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April – Tickets available to purchase from the office – please use the order form sent home with child.

PTA Instagram page - <a href="https://www.instagram.com/wavertonpta/">https://www.instagram.com/wavertonpta/</a>

### **Fundraising**

Our recent fundraising Cake Sale for Children's Cancer and Leukaemia Group has raised over £538.00. Well done to Rory McEvoy in year 4 for helping to organise and publicise the event and everyone who bought in cakes and donated money. This is a great achievement for such a worthy cause. The recent "mad hair" day for comic relief raised £271.00

### **School Meals**

Due to increased costs from our supplier our school meals will have to increase to £2.85 from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024. Please amend your payments accordingly.

### **Easter Events**

#### **Rowton Hall**

Ivy Smith – Year 2 won the decorate an Easter Egg competition (open to KS1 Children) run by Rowton Hall Hotel – she won an Easter Trail, Puzzle Sheet and Afternoon Tea for the family at Rowton Hall Hotel.

# Easter Bonnet / Egg decoration competition winners

The Easter Bonnets and decorated eggs have once again "egg"ceeded all "egg"spectations this year. The standards of the entries have been spectacular. Well done to all the children (and parents/grandparents) for all their hard work.

The overall winner for the Easter Bonnet is : Harry – Reception



The overall winner of the egg decoration competition is : Ozzie – Year 3



The assembly this afternoon was a lovely way to round off the term. I hope you all have a restful and enjoyable Easter break and look forward to seeing everyone safe and well on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April

Yours sincerely,

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