

WENTWORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

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'Striving for Excellence'

Headteacher: Mrs D. Dack

NEWSLETTER 3

NOVEMBER 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are looking forward to an exciting half term ahead with lots of lovely activities and events for the children in the lead up to Christmas! Thank you to the PTA for the wonderful disco - the children and staff had lots of fun!

We wish you all a happy and healthy half term and we look forward to seeing you all back on Monday the 4th November 2024.

Mrs Dack



MAYORAL VISIT

We were thrilled to welcome the Town Mayor, Cllr Andrew Lay to Wentworth on Tuesday 22nd October 2024. After meeting some of our families



at the start of the school day, the Mayor gave a special assembly for the children about the role of the mayor in Maldon. The School Council also had a meeting to hear about the



similarities between the town council and our school council.

YEAR 6 PARENTS—SECONDARY SCHOOL

ADMISSIONS: SEPTEMBER 2025

The statutory national closing date for applications is **31st October 2024**.

Applications can be made online via: www.essex.gov.uk/admissions

As with last year, Essex County Council are **not** sending letters to parents about applying for secondary schools.

All application information is available on the website above. Please ensure you make your application by **31st October 2024**.

PARENT CONSULTATIONS

ONLINE APPOINTMENTS

Parent Consultations will take place online via School Cloud on Wednesday 27th November from 3.30pm-5.50pm and Thursday 28th November from 3.30pm-5.50pm.

Invites to book your date and time will be sent out after half term. We will be offering parents the opportunity to come into school at the end of the day to look at their child's learning, books and see their classroom on:

Monday 25th November 3.15pm-4.15pm

Tuesday 26th November 3.15pm-4.15pm

BRITISH LEGION POPPY APPEAL

We support the British Legion Poppy Appeal at school every year and will be taking the poppy merchandise in to the classes on the week commencing 4th November 2024 for children to purchase items. Donations for items range from 50p to £2.50. On Sunday 10th November, the school will be laying a wreath at the town service. Hannah and Luke from the school council will be giving a reading during the service.

On Monday 11th November, the Year 5 children will also be attending a service at the war memorial to lay a wreath on behalf of Wentworth.



Autumn Term 2024– Mastery Homework

Our Topic – Science at Home

This half term the focus for the Mastery Homework is science at home. Each year group will be looking at a different topic linked to their science curriculum in school, helping them find out more about the world around them and bring their learning in school to life!

Foundation ideas on Tapestry—linked to work on seasons

Year 1—Fun ‘materials’

Year 2—Minibeasts

Year 3—Skeletons & muscles

Year 4—Solids, liquids and gases

Year 5—Earth and space

Year 6—Classification keys and microbiology



The teachers will explain and go through the class topic with the children. Your child will need to prepare a short presentation to explain what they have found out about their topic – please, no PowerPoints or other computer presentations. To help pupils share the results of their findings and talk to the class in a confident and interesting way, children could bring in: photographs, drawings, writing (maybe on cards to use as prompts), a poster or other objects to share. Please do not bring food items due to allergy safety.

Thank you for your support with this homework and we look forward to seeing the children’s fantastic work.

JOIN US FOR A

Christmas MOVIE NIGHT

Movie - Klaus

Date - 05 DECEMBER
Time - FROM SCHOOL -
4.45pm
Snacks - Gingerbread
Cookies and Fruit

£4.50 - 1st child
£4 - second child
£1 - third or more
children

**KINDLY BUY TICKETS
ON PTA EVENTS**

Klaus has a PG rating.
Booking provides your
consent.

pta-events.co.uk/wentworthmaldonpta
wentworthpta@outlook.co.uk



CHILDREN IN NEED - NON UNIFORM

We will be supporting Children in Need on Friday the 15th November 2024 with a non uniform day. Children can wear yellow or spots. We ask for a minimum donation of £1 for the charity.



COLDER WEATHER

As the weather is turning cold and wet, please ensure that your child brings a jumper/cardigan and a coat into school every day as we aim to be outside for break and lunch times as much as possible. Please could we also kindly request that children leave umbrellas at the gate with their adults as they are difficult to store in school and cannot be used on the playground. Thank you.



ECO LOGO DESIGN COMPETITION

We have a competition for the children to design a brand-new logo representing our efforts to protect our planet. Whether it’s about recycling, saving energy, planting trees, or reducing waste, we want their logo to show a love for nature. They should draw their logo on the entry form, using bright colours and bold designs, and hand in to their teacher by Wednesday 6th November. The winner’s prize is a £10 book voucher, generously donated by Maldon Books.



SCHOOL CALENDAR AUTUMN TERM 2024-2025

28th Oct - 1st Nov 2024	HALF TERM
4th November 2024	Pupils return to school
w/c 4th November 2024	Poppy Appeal merchandise in school
5th November 2024	Year 5/6 Dodgeball Tournament (sorry, no spectators)
6th November 2024	New Starters Tour 9.15-10.15am—FULLY BOOKED
7th November 2024	6S Assembly, 2.40pm Viking Hall (please attend)
8th November 2024	Year 6 Museum of Power visit
11th November 2024	5P/5PA walk to war memorial to lay a wreath
13th November 2024	Foundation Stage and Year 5 road safety talks
13th November 2024	New Starters Tour 9.15-10.15am—FULLY BOOKED
14th November 2024	Foundation Stage and Year 5 road safety talks
14th November 2024	New Starters Tour 9.15-10.15am—FULLY BOOKED
14th November 2024	6P Assembly, 2.40pm Viking Hall (please attend)
15th November 2024	Children in Need – Non uniform/Spotty Day (£1 donation)
19th November 2024	Year 3 Viking Day - themed educational day, come dressed as a viking
19th November 2024	New Starters Tour 9.15-10.15am
20th November 2024	Flu Immunisations
21st November 2024	5P Assembly, 2.40pm Viking Hall (please attend)
25th & 26th Nov 2024	Come in and look at your child's books in classes 3.15pm - 4.15pm
27th & 28th Nov 2024	Parent Online Consultations on School Cloud - 3.30pm – 5.50pm
29th November 2024	Decoration Day (donation online) - pupils only
2nd, 3rd, 4th Dec 24	Book Fair - Mill Hall 3.15pm - come and buy a book!
4th December 2024	Christmas Dinners
4th December 2024	5PA Assembly, 2.40pm Viking Hall (please attend)
5th December 2024	PTA Christmas Film Night—3.15-4.45pm
6th December 2024	Year 6 History talk - Viking Hall
6th December 2024	Year 3 Christingle - 2.30pm on playground (parents/carers welcome)
9th December 2024	2WR Performance - 2pm, Mill Hall
11th December 2024	Foundation Stage & Year 1 Nativity Day
11th December 2024	Year 2 Performances - 2HL at 9.30am and 2S at 2pm , Mill Hall
13th December 2024	PTA Christmas Fun Day - non-uniform
17th Dec 2024	PTA Christmas Elf Stall - Children can buy gifts for parents/carers
17th December 2024	iRock end of term concert—2.15pm Viking Hall (please attend)
20th December 2024	Santa Day, come dressed in something Christmassy - last day of term
23rd Dec 24 - 3rd Jan 25	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS
6th January 2025	Inset day
7th January 2025	Pupils return to school