

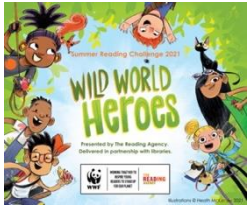


WICKHAM
CHURCH OF ENGLAND
PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

17TH JUNE 2021

Summer Reading Challenge 2021



The Reading Agency have recently announced plans for the Annual Library Reading Challenge 2021. The theme this year is Wild World Heroes, which aims to inspire children to explore ways of helping to save the planet. The characters and landscape are illustrated by award-winning children's author and illustrator Heath McKenzie. This year

the children will be able to join and complete the challenge either online

(<https://www.hants.gov.uk/librariesandarchives/kids-zone>) or in one of the Hampshire Libraries. The challenge starts on 3rd July and finishes on 18th September. Please do encourage your child/children to take part.

Volunteers Needed

We are keen to rebuild our team of school volunteers now that Covid-19 restrictions are beginning to ease. Our volunteers are drawn from parents of our pupils and also the wider school community and many come into school on a regular basis. They support the children in a variety of activities such as: reading, sewing, accompanying classes on school trips and helping with specific projects in class. Volunteers can give as little or as much time as they are able to. We would love you to join us if you can spare a bit of time or if you know someone who does. If you would like to become a volunteer in school then please contact the school office for an application form.

We are also looking for volunteers to help look after our chickens at weekends and/or during the school holidays. All you would need to do is replenish their food and water and collect their eggs (which you would be able to take home!). Please let the office know if you would be interested in helping.

School Uniform

We would like to remind parents that, from the start of the autumn term, all children will need to be wearing the purple coloured uniform, which we launched last year. Please see our website for details of this: [Uniform Details](#). We have a number of items in stock which can be ordered at any time, however if you need to order uniform in time for September, please ensure that you place your order by the **16th July**. This includes any items that you would like embroidered. Orders will need to be made and paid for through Scopay. They will then be available for collection from school from the 1st September. Our uniform is also in stock at Skookit in Fareham. In addition, we will be expecting the children to wear school uniform PE kits from September now that the shops are fully open. We anticipate that your child will be able to leave their PE kits in school from September.

Lunchtime Equipment Donations



We would like to introduce a wider range of calm activities such as drawing, colouring and Lego building at lunchtimes for those children who do not wish to take part in our more energetic activities all of the time. If you have any Lego or drawing/colouring equipment, in good condition, that you would be able to donate to school then we would be very grateful. Many thanks.

COVID Update

As you are aware, the Prime Minister announced on Monday that more time is needed for the vaccination programme to protect people from the virus in light of the new variant and the date for removal of all restrictions has therefore been pushed back to 19th July. The government has advised schools to keep all current protective measures in place until there is a further announcement on Step 4 of the roadmap in order to help reduce transmission of the virus. We are therefore reviewing what sports day, Year 6 leaver's service and celebrations and our internal transition arrangements will look like in response to this announcement. Further details will follow shortly.

Active Holiday Camp



Activeme360 will be running their 'Active Holiday' programme this Summer at Swanmore College.

Please see the flyers attached to this newsletter for further information. In addition to their usual '360 Sports', football and performing arts camps, they are also running European Football

Championship weeks and Olympic/Paralympic week. The Tokyo weeks will include Fencing, Boccia, Tri-Golf, Shooting, Hockey and much more. Demand is likely to be high so we advise booking promptly if you would like a space or spaces. An early booking discount of 15% is available until 4th July.

Vacancies

We are currently recruiting for a 1:1 learning support assistant to start with us in September 2021. The role is full time and permanent. Further details can be found here: <https://hampshire.education-jobs.org.uk/Vacancy/Details/86216/L1ZhY2FuY3kvU2VhcmNoUmVzdWx0cz9yZXRyaWV2ZUZpbHRlcj10cnVl>.

Wickham Pre-School are looking for a Level 3 qualified member of staff to join their team. The position is part-time and the hours/salary can be discussed upon application/interview. The successful candidate will need to be qualified to Level 3 in Early Years and hold a valid Level 3 Safeguarding Certificate. They will also need to be trained in Paediatric First Aid and be registered for the DBS Update Service. Please contact Ness Wood (ness.wood@parrywoodchildcare.co.uk) by 2nd July for further details and to request an application form.

Key Reminders –

Friday 18th June and Monday 21st June are both INSET days. Please be aware that, due to staff training, the office phone will not be manned on these days but the admin office email address will be checked regularly: adminoffice@wickham-primary.hants.sch.uk

Dates for Your Diary

Friday 18th June	INSET day
Monday 21st June	INSET day
28 th June – 2 nd July	Year 5 Stubbington Residential Trip
5 th July	Class Photos
15 th – 16 th July	Year 6 Activity Days at Fairthorne Manor