



## *Waverley School and Nursery 'Communication'*

**Week ending 25th November 2011**

Sunday starts the season of Advent so this week we started our advent wreath. We reflected on the theme of "Waiting" in our assembly on Thursday. It is a special time for Christians in our community and around the world as they prepare for Christmas and celebrate the first coming of Jesus, and looking forward to the second coming.

In our school community we have lots of lovely things to wait for also, and as time draws on and excitement mounts, the waiting gets harder! We start our preparations for Christmas next week with the WFA Christmas Shopping Event. Please do come along and bring your family and friends, it promises to be a popular event and a great opportunity to stock up on early gifts (for those of us who leave things until the last minute!) from the variety of craftspeople and stalls that will be there.

Please don't forget to sign up to help at the Christmas Fayre. This is a very popular event with all the children and is definitely a highlight of the Waverley festivities. Many of the stalls and activities are provided by parent helpers so if we could have as many volunteers as possible to man the stalls it will mean more activities for our children.

I would like to extend a very warm welcome to James Parkin-Swain who joined Waverley on Tuesday this week. James is in Year 2 and is already very settled and has made lots of new friends.

Lastly, our most recent additions to the Golden Wall are Matthew, Jacob and Rowan who were commended by their sports teams for good effort and enthusiasm. Well done boys.

*(Tammy Howard, Head Designate)*

### **Children in Need – Final Total**

As promised last Friday, our final total banked for Children in Need was £105. Thank you again to everyone for your support and generosity.

## Reminders for Next Week

### Monday 28<sup>th</sup>

- No Chess on Monday 28<sup>th</sup>

### Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup>

- Swimming Lesson 5

### Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup>

- WFA Christmas Shopping Evening 7:30pm to 9:30pm (see WFA Section for information on reduced entry cost for a limited time only!)
- Orders for 'Reflection Galleries' must be in school for collection today

### Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December

- Performing Arts Club Christmas Show (for parents of those children who attend the club) 4pm in the school Hall

### Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December

- Mrs Forster's students Mini Concert (for parents of those children who take music lessons with Mrs Forster)
- All Clubs finish for this Term, After-School and Breakfast Club will run as usual until the end of term.

## Waverley Early Years

### Nursery

Cuddly Cubs and Bouncing Bears have both gone for a walk this week, and explored role play by dressing up and shopping for food using a till.

In their sensory play they have been experiencing the touch, smell and sight of shaving foam.

### Pre-Prep

Cheeky Chimps have been making Christmas cards by sponge painting Christmas trees and using sequins to decorate them. They enjoyed their last ballet class for this term.

Crazy Crocs have been very busy decorating their Christmas display board, making Christmas calendars and cards, using painting, cutting and sticking collage, drawing and colouring.

### Reception

This week Reception have been comparing and measuring heights in standard and non-standard units, word building, practicing recognising Foundation Key words and finding out how our eyes work.

They have made observations through real binoculars and a telescope, as well as making their own in our creative time.

They have also been mixing paint colours and creating very jazzy coloured spectacles.

## Spotlight on.....Years 5 and 6 'Wokingham Walk-about'

Last Tuesday Year 5 and Year 6 enjoyed an interesting and informative visit to Wokingham Town Centre, where they compared photographs from the Victorian era with the real view.

The Hospital where we started our journey was originally the Workhouse of Wokingham in Queen Victoria's reign.

We proceeded up through Shute End to the Town Hall where we sketched the magnificent features of the building.

Our findings from the visit were that Wokingham has managed to remain roughly the same as it was in the Victorian times and that we are lucky to have such a wonderful building in our town.



## Waverley Friends Association



### Christmas Shopping Evening - Wednesday 30th November 7:30pm to 9:30pm

This promises to be a great social event as well as giving you the opportunity to purchase some unique gifts. Tickets on the evening will be £4 which includes a glass of wine.

*\*\*Tickets may be purchased before the event during morning drop-off on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> for the **special price of £2\*\*** alternatively please send an envelope in for the attention of 'WFA' containing the cash and the names of the people the tickets are for.*

Stalls include: Phoenix Cards, Silver Gems – Jewellery, Fab Fours - Gifts & toys, Forever Living - Health & wellbeing products, Fancy Fruit - Fruit Bouquets, House of Glam Rocks - Jewellery & Accessories, Truckle Cheese Co - Cheeses & Pickles, Pup cakes dog bakery - hand baked dog treats, Herbs in a basket, Usborne Books, NYR Organics from Neal's Yard remedies - organic skin care products, Hedgie & Friends - Children's clothing

Come along and bring your friends!

### Pantomime 'Rudolph'

Don't forget to purchase your ticket for this year's panto!

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December 3:30pm to 5:30pm, £5 per ticket including a drink and popcorn.

### Non-Uniform Day – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December

We are holding a non-uniform day on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December, in exchange for a selection box for the 'Chocolate Tombola' and a bottle for the very popular 'Bottle Tombola' at the Christmas Fayre. Bottles can include wine, a nice bottle of cooking oil or foam bath.

All donations will be greatly appreciated.

### Second Hand Toy Stall

We would be happy to receive any unwanted nearly new toys for our stall at the Christmas Fayre. Now is a good time to have a sort out!

Kind regards  
Caroline Lavelle  
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## Football Fixture

This week our U11's team played against Hawley Place School.

It was a great team performance from all our Year 5 & 6 boys and following goals from Thomas and Isaac the result was 3-0 to Waverley.

Thank you to the boys in Year 4 for their support.

## Primary Mathematics Challenge for Years Five and Six

It was a tense time on Monday morning as Years Five and Six took part in the first round of the Primary Mathematics challenge. This is a national event for able mathematicians and schools up and down the country to take part. The first round consists of a written paper involving some very tricky problems. Careful reading, creative thinking and sound reasoning are the order of the day, rather than pure calculation skills.

All of the pupils took part and really made a super effort, all participants should be exceptionally proud of their achievements. However, we also had some pupils who were awarded special certificates for their efforts, which were presented in assembly on Thursday, well done to you all.

### Gold Award

Maddie Cummings  
Ben Blaker

### Silver Award

Joseph Lynskey  
Nik Lebedenko  
Jacob Parrington  
Jemima Cook

### Bronze Award

Elizabeth Hammond  
Owen Clarke  
Aleksandar Sekulic  
Yemo Sung  
Ashleen Sembi  
Sophie Strasburger  
Bella Cordwell



## Mini-Shows and Concerts – Dates for your Diary

### Performing Arts

There will be a Performing Arts show on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December in the Main Hall at 4pm for the parents of the children who attend the club.

### Mrs Forster's Violin and Piano Pupils

Mrs Forster's pupils will give a concert on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December from 9am to 10am in the Main Hall for their parents and family.