# Wingfield Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Friday, 6th October

Dear parents/carers,

From **6.00 p.m.** today parents/carers of children in Reception through to Year 6 will be able to book a parents evening appointment using the MCAS app. Please only book one appointment per child. Parents/carers of children in Nursery will need to book a parents evening appointment with teachers directly. We are very much looking forward to updating you on the progress children have made this term. Have a wonderful weekend -



Ross Silcock and Wanda

# Some highlights from our school this week:

**Year 6** have been writing reviews based on the incredible performance of 'The Tempest' that they saw at the Unicorn Theatre

**Year 5** have been using 'The Arrival' to create a setting description. They have also been exploring rounding in maths.

Year 4 have begun writing their theatre reviews based on 'The Tempest' and they have been reading and recognising Roman Numerals up to 100.

**Year 3** have been mono printing based on Aboriginal art.

**Year 2** have been learning about number bonds.

Year 1 have started their Little Wandle

reading sessions and the children are really engaged with improving their fluency for reading.

**Reception** have been making their own magical characters and potions based on Ariel.

**Nursery** have been making their own boats based on Prospero's boat in 'The Tempest.'

## A few messages from the school

- Parents' Evening will be running from 16<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> October.
- Children are not permitted to bring any items from home into school.
- A reminder that children are not allowed to use the trim trail when school has finished. Children and parents are also reminded that scooters and bikes can only be used once children have left the playground.

# Newsletter opportunities

Mr Mitakos is calling out to all children and parents for some support with the school's newsletter. If you are interested in sharing any information (this could be a book review, an experience or even a promotional opportunity) with Mr Mitakos so that it can appear in our weekly newsletter, please email the office at <a href="mailto:wfcontact@wingfield.compassps.uk">wfcontact@wingfield.compassps.uk</a> under the subject line: Newsletter. We can't wait to receive some of your emails. Thank you to all of you who have shared information so far.

#### Contacting us -

If you need anything, then send us an email.

wfcontact@wingfield.compassps.uk

or leave a message at the school office 020 8856 1167

# Dates for the diary

**Year 1-6 Parents' Evening** 16<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> October

**Last day of term** Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> October

Recipe of the week
Healthy pesto eggs on
toast



# **Ingredients**

2-4 thin slices rye sourdough (about 70g total)

2 eggs

170g tomatoes on-the-vine 160g baby spinach

Pinch of chilli flakes (optional) 1 garlic clove

10g basil

1 tbsp pine nuts

1 tbsp rapeseed oil

1 tbsp finely grated parmesan or vegetarian alternative

#### STEP 1

To make the pesto, peel the garlic clove and put in a small food processor along with the basil, pine nuts, oil and 2 tbsp water. Blitz until smooth, then stir in the cheese. Or, blitz using a hand blender.

#### STEP 2

Toast the bread and divide between two plates. Cook the pesto in a frying pan over a medium heat for 30 seconds, stirring. Crack the eggs into one side of the pan, put the tomatoes in the other, and fry in the pesto until the eggs are cooked to your liking.

# STEP 3

Lift out the eggs and put each one on a slice of toast. Add the spinach to the pan with the tomatoes, turn the heat up to high and cook until wilted, about 2-3 mins. The tomatoes should be soft. Spoon the veg onto the other toast slice and sprinkle with the chilli flakes, if you like.

# **Secondary School Admissions**

Parents with children in year 6 are reminded that the closing date for secondary school applications is 31<sup>st</sup> October. You can apply online 24 hours a day. You will receive confirmation that your application has been submitted successfully once you have done. Please make sure that you check you junk mail just in case it is in there. For a paper application you can email: <a href="mailto:school-admissions@royalgreenwich.gov.uk">school-admissions@royalgreenwich.gov.uk</a>. You are allowed up to six preferences in a ranked order. If you have any questions regarding the process, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

## Reception places

If your child is due to start Reception in September 2024, you need to apply for a primary school place. The deadline for applications is 15 January 2024. Even if your child attends our Nursery, you still need to apply for their place in Reception. If you live in Royal Greenwich, you need to apply through Royal Greenwich. If you live in another borough, you need to apply through your local authority even if you wish to apply for a place in a Royal Greenwich school. The easiest way to apply is through the eAdmissions portal – it's quick, easy and secure - and it's the fastest way to hear the

results <a href="https://www.eadmissions.org.uk/?page=Tutorial&service=page">https://www.eadmissions.org.uk/?page=Tutorial&service=page</a>.

# Congratulations to Mr. Arding

At Wingfield, the different members of staff recognise the importance of continually developing within their professions to ensure that the Wingfield community benefit from their expertise. In this section, we will share some of the achievements that our different staff members have achieved recently. Next up is Mr. Arding: "I completed my masters in Leadership and Management from the National College of Education and Roehampton University. I had to write a lot a essays and this concluded with my dissertation (14,000 words) which was about implementing personalised professional development for teachers within our school. As my masters was funded through the apprenticeship levy, I also had to write a business proposal and have a long interview and presentation with some chartered accountants. It was really interesting to apply myself to the academic world, and I enjoyed all the projects I worked on as they often benefitted my colleagues, but I am very glad to be able to simply read for pleasure (rather than referencing) nowadays!"

# A catch up with Miss. Whittaker about her favourite hobby...

#### What is your favourite hobby and why?

My favourite hobby is netball because I enjoy the competitiveness of the game. I also enjoy meeting new people from all walks of life. Most importantly, it keeps me active, and it is a great respite from the busy lifestyle of a teacher.

## What has your hobby taught you?

That you can't win everything, even thought you might want to. Throughout my experience of netball, the ups and downs have taught me to develop the skills of resilience and teamwork.

#### What is your greatest achievement/ memory with your hobby?

I was fortunate enough that I made the 1st team of the Swanley netball team in the Northwest Kent division. We play in the premier division, meaning that we have competitive fixtures each week. When I was at university, we won the league and got promotion to a higher league-that was a special moment.

"I am a competitive freak which means I love netball even more."



Next week, we will be catching up with Miss. Bradley to find out about her favourite hobby!