

As always, we like to update you on just some of the things the children have been up to during the term in our end of a term review.

RECEPTION CHICKS

As I'm sure the Reception parents have heard from their excited children, all Reception classes have welcomed chicks this term! The children have been watching eggs hatch in the classrooms and learning about the life cycle of chickens. I've enjoyed hearing lots of 'chick facts' from the children and seen some fabulous, inspired writing from them too.

The Wilderness Centre one night residential - Year 3



From 28th Feb to 1st March 2018, Waterwells Year 3 children went off to the Wilderness Centre in the Forest of Dean for a one night residential. We could not have picked more extreme weather than the two days that we had as the 'Beast from the East' drew ever closer!

The trip formed part of the topic work on 'Survival of the fittest', the outdoors and Bear Grylls.

The Wilderness Centre had a great range of outdoor activities with the children participating in orienteering, Tunnels of Doom, and bushcraft (fire making and den building). After their activities and with the snow really starting to settle in, the pupils had time to get accustomed to their dormitory rooms and enjoy a super hot meal. Once dinner was served it was time to wrap up warm again and get out on the cold 'night-time walk'. The

children loved this and remembered good safety tips learned in topic to support them. Once back at base, the children enjoyed a tasty hot chocolate with time to reflect on the day's activity before going to bed. The next morning the weather did begin to deteriorate in the Forest, we scheduled a slightly earlier return to school to ensure we could travel back safely. Despite this, a great time was had by all the children and staff and is certainly something we'd like to continue to offer to our pupils in forthcoming years.

Year 6 Residential – Condrover Hall



On Monday 19th March some of the Year 6 children went on a residential trip to Condrover Hall, Shropshire, with Robinswood and Moat Year 6 pupils. We were split into activity groups and assigned our leaders, Olivia and Trou, who helped us with all the activities. During the week we participated in lots of activities during the day: climbing, abseiling, low ropes, aerial trek, archery, tunnelling, sensory trail, canoeing and raft-building. During some of these we got very wet and muddy!

In the evenings we were also kept busy with some wide games, a campfire, a silent disco

and on the last night, a big game of Cluedo. We all had a brilliant time and challenged ourselves with activities we didn't think we could do, as well as making new friends along the way!



Request:

Year 5 are in need of clear plastic bottles for next term's DT work - anything from 500ml up to 2L. e.g. coke, fanta etc...



Parent Questionnaire

Thank you to all parents who completed a parent questionnaire. Please see the attached summary of key outcomes and hopefully some clarification around some areas in which people required more information. It is 4 pages long, but I hope this will give a good understanding about where we are at, what we do and what we can do going forward.

I will endeavour to keep you updated in regards to some requests and our progress in forthcoming newsletters.

On site After- school club

Within this you will see that from after the May Half-term there will be an after-school club (childcare provision) provided on site at Waterwells. The club will be run by an outside provider, The Holiday Club, who for some time have run after school provision at Calton Primary. They will use the DT room as their main base but will also have access to outside facilities. After the Easter holidays, once full details are finalised, further details including costs/booking etc. will be sent out directly from The holiday Club.



BE THE BEST YOU CAN BE



Congratulations to the children who earned themselves an end of term BEST certificate:

WATERWELLS

Reception	Sairusi Bentley Eva-May Crook Emily Dennis Darcy Gray Ella Hammill Vinnie Kibble Oliver Lloyd George McCatty Ava Providence Szymon Urbanek	Year 1	Riley Anderton Isabelle Bick Loughlin Bowsher Reuben Bradford-Campbell Macy Butler Darcey Gamble-Griggs Issa Saddam Lyra-May Leigh Joshua Sherman Ewan Thomas	Year 2	Jarrell Baidoo Liam Brown Taylor-Mai Caine Jacob Campbell-Knight Thomas Caple Isaac Crook Franciszek Jasinski Noah Jones Kai Platts Thomas Wallace
Year 3	Aaron Beaton Annabelle Clay Felicity Tong Cole Goodhall Ashton Mills Chioma Ogbodo Alexandra Snaith Joshua Williams Joshua Wood Jacob Wynn	Year 4	Sydney Dabinett Callum Harris Brooke Jones Charles McCreevey-Heywood Ethan Redding Myah Robins Nevaeh Ryder Tobyn Stenner Matthias Tookey Eleanor Westcott	Year 5	Isobel Brotherston Kosma Glowacki Simona Kefileva Ryan Verity
				Year 6	Lois Tookey Ellie-Rose Francis Tyler Storey-Kennaby Callum Lee Kianne Ryder

HUNTS GROVE

Reception	James Berry Poppy Brown Verity Jones Maisie Roberts Ethan Wills	Year 1	Tyler Banks Caitlin Clegg Sebastian Foster Milena Kudranska Marci Sierra	Years 2/3	Jaden Jenkins Szymon Kielar Olivia Pachula Kayhana Powell Olivia Roughley
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Enjoy the Easter break.

We'll see you all when we return to school on **Monday 16th April.**