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Dear Parents,

There have been some important changes on the governing body this term.

Peter Meacock has been elected as the new chair of governors, taking over from Paul Sully who has stepped down after 5 years as chair.

Peter has been a School Governor over the last 23 years, initially at a Nursery School in East London where he was in business; he then joined Wicklewood School as a Governor in 2005. He has lived in Wicklewood with his wife and two children for over 15 years. He founded Wicklewood Cricket Club in 2003 and served as their Chairman until 2009, he was also a Wicklewood Parish Councillor for 3 years. Peter and his wife are now kept very busy running their property company. Peter did a tree survey for the school documenting the 21 trees and 15 different species at the school and he is also Health & Safety Governor.



Ed Godbold



Ed Godbold has been elected as the new vice-chair:
"I live in Wicklewood with my girlfriend Tracey and two sons Luke, who is in Swift Class and Jordan who now attends Wymondham High School, having spent time at Wicklewood school. I have worked at Aviva for close to 30 years, in my current role I design computer systems. I became a Governor as I wanted to help maintain the high standards that I observed whilst Jordan was at Wicklewood. In my spare time I'm a keen cyclist and recently fulfilled a long time ambition and rode on

the Olympic Velodrome."

I am sure that you would all like to join me in thanking Paul Sully for all that he has done as chair. He is remaining as a governor for the time being.



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Lions' Swimming Charity Gala

This took place last Saturday at Wymondham Leisure Centre. This year the chosen charity was Nelson's Journey. The children were amazing and really worked well as a team. Wicklewood's Deep Blue Dolphins (from Years 5 and 6) swam 49 laps (98 lengths) and won the primary category! Really well done team- you are a credit to the school! Thanks too, to Miss Brooks, for giving up another Saturday to organise this event.

Black History Week

Last week we held our black history week, where the emphasis was learning about and celebrating the rich heritage and culture of black history, remembering some of the important people and events that have taken place.

Our work in English focused on the Underground Railroad, which was a network of secret routes, passageways and safe houses used by slaves in the US. The Underground Railroad was a way for slaves to escape to northern states and Canada, where they could live freely. Children were captivated by finding out about this part of history and resulted in some wonderful writing.

The children also learnt about the quilts of the Underground Railroad. It is believed that these quilts were used to convey secret messages to slaves, to assist them in their escape. Classes joined together, with children working with someone from a different class, to make a square patchwork for our own quilt.

Finally, the children learnt about the inspirational work of Martin Luther King, where we discussed his famous 'I have a dream speech'. All of the adults and children in the school wrote out their own dream on a leaf shape, which has

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been added to our Wicklewood Tree of Dreams. This can be found in the hall, so please do pop in and see it after school. It is truly wonderful to read all of the children's dreams. A very big thank you to Kelly Siddall (Ziggy and Floyd's mum) for painting the wonderful tree.

Year groups worked together during Black History Week

Rufus, (Wren) works with Tyler (Lapwing)

Wren class have been learning about people's jobs this week and were really interested to hear from Katie's dad who is a surgeon and who talked to them about having an operation amongst other things, and they also had a visit from Georgina's dad who talked to them about working with bones



Next week is anti-bullying week and the theme is:

STOP BULLYING FOR ALL.

The focus is on how people may be bullied for being different.

We have appointed our new team of Bully Busters who are: Olivia Rigney, Maxwell Meers, Kirsty Emerson, Tilly Meers, Jamie Hubbard, Charlotte Richardson, Joshua Spratling, William Myhill, Sam Gowing, Sam Bloomfield, and new this year are Macy Howie and Seren Sanders. These guys do a great job on the playground and will also be

visiting classes next week.

Seren and Macy



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FRIENDS CHRISTMAS CARD DESIGNS

If you wish to order Christmas Cards, please return the drawing and the order form to school by Tuesday 25th November, the cards will then be delivered to school on 5th December, in time for writing and posting!

CHILDREN’S UNIVERSITY: During the half term break Hugo (year 6) and Oscar Leivers (year 1) took part in a Dragons Den session at NCFC. The boys enjoyed reviewing the designs of some products, and made suggestions for other product ideas. They each earned an hour credit for their passports for their time and got to keep the samples!

Hugo’s report :In the half term I went to Norwich City Football ground for Children’s University. I was testing some of the creations such as a water bottle, wrist band, badge, key ring and a draw string bag. I liked the water bottle best as it had a good grip. We got lots of points for our passports!



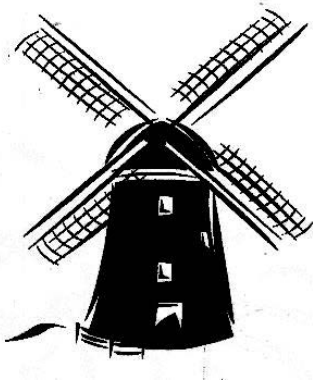
And finally....

The end of the week finished with the school once again supporting Children in Need. Thank you for all the donations and the fantastic effort with spots!



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Coming Up

17.11.14	Anti-bullying week
28.11.14	Non-uniform day in return for a bottle for the Christmas Fair tombola
29.11.14	Friends' Christmas Fair
5.12.14	Friend's Christmas Party
10.12.14	KS1 production afternoon performance
11.12.14	KS1 production evening performance
12.12.14	Christmas decoration morning – parents invited to work alongside your children
16.12.14	Wren Class nativity play 2.00pm
18.12.14	Carol service 2.00pm at the church

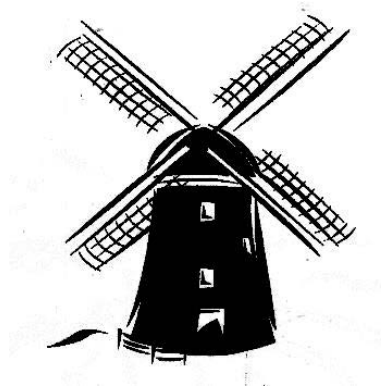
Yours sincerely,

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