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Dear Parents,

Once again we have been very busy both in and out of school.

Luca, Matija Billy (Swift Class) passed their karate grading to move from a white to a red belt. This took place at the UEA Sportspark on Saturday 10th Sept 2016. As you can tell from this photograph they were very pleased with themselves! Well done.



**My 37 mile cycle ride by Ben Sheriffs**

My dad and I arrived at the Norfolk Showground at 8:30, an hour before our ride was going to start. We went to the entrance to get signed up and get our numbers, and then we waited in the car whilst the heavy rain came down, until it was time to start. As we started, I knew this would be a long journey, but I had to push to my limits. At the 15.5 mile mark, just after we had passed the bottom of the High Street (yes, the one in Wicklewood), my mum and sister met us and gave me a Snickers and a smoothie to keep me going.

Quite ironically, soon after we left my mum and sister and kept going, we saw a woman with a King Of the Mountains cycling T-shirt pushing her bike up a hill! At Spooner Row, just short of 22 miles, a drink stop was arranged with orange or blackcurrant squash. A mile after, I had cycled my furthest ever distance! When we arrived back in the Norfolk Showground, I was so relieved that we had almost finished - my legs were killing me! I punched the air in victory as I crossed the finish line, and then went to collect our medals. I then found out the ride was not 35, but just over 37 miles long! When we had done that, we went to get a pizza (to share) and a hot chocolate (all mine!) and then went back home with victory all ours! Part of the money that was raised went to The Big C (Cancer Research) to help end cancer as we know it.



What an achievement Ben! Very well done.



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### **Monty**

Wren class had a special visitor, Monty, Mrs Nixon's dog. The children learnt how to look after him and how to stay safe around dogs. Obviously there was an opportunity to stroke him which the children, and Monty, loved. The children behaved impeccably ... and so did Monty!

### **Music lessons**

Mr Suter our brass teacher currently has only two brass players. If anyone is interested in playing trumpet or trombone please let the office staff know. To hire the instrument is free for the first year.

Kate Hallam, our keyboard, ukulele and guitar music teacher has successfully secured a full time job and will therefore be leaving us at the end of half term. We have been fortunate enough to find a new keyboard teacher, Hannah Chapman, and a ukulele and guitar teacher, Jonathan Cushion, to provide these lessons, therefore if your child is interested please enquire in the school office.

### **Bags2School**

This scheme raises money for the school through recycling your unwanted clothes, soft toys, shoes, handbags and belts. We will once again be supporting it with a collection on Thursday 17th November 2016.

### **School Games**

We have been awarded the Silver Award for our commitment to the development of competition across their **school** and into the community. A special thank you to Mrs Emma Smith for all her hard work in collating the evidence for us. Well done Wicklewood!



### **School Office**

After many years working at Wicklewood Primary School Mrs Tracey Mann has decided it is time to leave us creating a vacancy in the school office. Tracey has worked hard for Wicklewood and we will miss her and hope that she enjoys her new job.

### **Vacancy Details**

The hours will be 6 hours per week, term time only, 8.30 a.m. to 10.00 a.m. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and will begin after half term on Monday 31st October. The hourly rate is £7.43. Initial duties will include administration of the dinner money database. Full Training and staff induction will also be given.

If you are interested please ask the office for an application form. We are committed to keeping our children safe so the completion of an application form, receipt of references and an enhanced DBS check is necessary. If you have any questions in the first instance please ask Mrs Harrod who will be very happy to help. We look forward to hearing from you.

## Coming up!

**14.10.16** George Freeman, the British Conservative Party politician and the current Member of Parliament for Mid Norfolk will be visiting our school. He has been invited by Andrew Thurston, one of our Governors. During the afternoon he will look round the school, talk to the children and hopefully, at the end of the day, he will venture on to the playground to talk some of the parents.



**18.10.16** Luke Temple – a regular visitor to school. Expect another dramatic entrance and a new story to be told!

## Book Week – 17.10.16

**Harvest Festival** – Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October @ 2.30pm in the school hall

## Dates for your diary

- 11.10.16 Wren reading café at 2pm
- 17.10.16 Individual School Photo
- 17.10.16 Parents evening 3.30 – 7.00
- 19.10.16 Parents evening 3.30 – 5.30
- 2.12.16 Decorations Day
- 4.12.16 Christmas Fayre (**now confirmed**)
- 7.12.16 KS1 Christmas performance - evening
- 8.12.16 KS1 Christmas performance – afternoon
- 13.12.16 Wren Nativity
- 14.12.16 Carol Service at the Village Hall

Kind regards,