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Dear Parents and Carers,

School has seemed very quiet this week. I am not sure whether this was because we had Year 6 SATs and we all worked exceptionally hard on respecting the need to be quiet around the school, or the fact that year 5s were on their residential, or a combination of both. We are incredibly proud of the way all of these children have conducted themselves. They have certainly embodied our school motto 'Be the best you can be'.

Across the rest of the school we have been incredibly busy.

#### Wren class



Mrs Minors kindly donated pots, soil and sunflower seeds for all the children to plant a seed and then subsequently care for it and watch it grow. There has been much excitement as the children have watched the seeds beginning to shoot over the past few weeks and it is great to see them so enthusiastic about the changes that have occurred.

Thank you so much to Mrs Minors for your generous gift - it has been a lovely experience for the children, and it would be lovely to see photos over the Summer of all the sunflowers in full bloom!

#### Kwik Cricket

On Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2019 a few of our Greenfinch children participated in a Cluster Kwik cricket event. Whilst there they were renamed - Wicklewood Warriors, Wolf Cubs and Wicklewood Barmy Army! They learnt many skills including; bowling/throwing; catching; batting and fielding. It was noted by the adults who attended that the children had superb effort and team spirit throughout the event. Well done to the Greenfinches who went and thank you to Mrs Capleton and Mrs Aldous who accompanied the children.



Headteacher: Miss Julia Brooks  
Chair of Governors: Mrs M. Talbot



## Holt Hall

What a brilliant time we had at Holt Hall. Year 4 were amazing! The staff from Holt Hall commented on their naturally supportive and kind attitudes towards one another. Mrs Bush, Mrs Barrett and myself all thoroughly enjoyed the trip and agreed that the children's wonderful engagement, positive attitudes and thoughtfulness allowed this to be a really pleasant trip. We also managed to sleep quite well as the children were all so well behaved! They got so much out of the activities and we saw the whole class working cooperatively as a team. They particularly loved having a go at gutting the fish and spending time on the beach with each other! Thank you to all the Year 4 parents and children who helped to make this such a good trip and preparing your child well with everything they needed.

## Tag Rugby

On Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2019 a few year 4 children participated in a Cluster Festival where they spent time learning about defending, handling the ball & invasion. After lunch they played mini games of tag rugby, round robin style, against four other schools. Although scores weren't officially taken, we won one, drew one and lost two. Not bad for a group of children who had never played together (and for some never played at all). The children seemed to thoroughly enjoy the day and their team spirit was clear to see.



## The wildlife area

Bridges and plants have now been added to our wildlife are.





### Two hedgehogs arrive at Wicklewood!

Last week Mrs Sullivan brought two hedgehogs into school. They had been looked after by the RSPCA and needed to be released back in to the wild. Our school Forest and wildlife area was the perfect setting so last Thursday afternoon the children had a chance to see the hedgehogs and learn a little bit about them before they were allowed to roam free! There is still evidence that they have stayed with us so hopefully they are here to stay!



### **Wednesday and Friday Open Classrooms**

Please remember that you are always welcome to visit your child's class on these days after school to share their learning.

### **The school uniform**

Please can I remind you that black shoes only should be worn during the school day. They should not be any other colour and should not be trainers. Many thanks for respecting this.

### **Peak District**

The children had an amazing time, returning home safely yesterday afternoon. A more detailed account and photographs will be in the next newsletter.

### **Coming Up!**

#### **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2019**

Class photos – get those combs and hairbrushes at the ready!

#### **Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2019**

Pyjamarama day – a day in pyjamas to help BookTrust. More details to follow.

#### **Summer BBQ Friday 5 July 5pm-8pm.**

Save the date! Food, bar, bouncy castle, popcorn, candy floss, games, donkey rides and much more! All welcome! (If anyone would like to help on the day please let Sue Daynes or Caroline Pocock know. Thank you.

### **Dates for your diary**

<b>SUMMER TERM</b>	
<b>27.5.19</b>	<b>Half term</b>
<b>3-6.6.19</b>	<b>Kingfisher residential - Hilltop</b>
<b>7.6.19</b>	<b>Pyjamarama day</b>
<b>13.6.19</b>	<b>Kingfisher bell ringing</b>
<b>19.6.19</b>	<b>Sports Day - KS2 a.m, KS1 p.m</b>
<b>2.7.19</b>	<b>KS2 dress rehearsal</b>
<b>3.7.19</b>	<b>KS2 play evening</b>
<b>4.7.19</b>	<b>KS2 play evening</b>
<b>5.7.19</b>	<b>Summer fete and barbecue</b>
<b>5 / 6.7.19</b>	<b>Wyndham College transition</b>
<b>8/9/10.7.19</b>	<b>Wyndham High Academy transition</b>
<b>24.7.19</b>	<b>Last day</b>

Kind regards,

Miss Brooks