

7th November, 2025

# Wicklewood Weekly



Dear Families,

It was wonderful to see so many of you meeting class teachers this week. Thank you for your support and feedback over both evenings.

There will be some new things around school that you might see over the second half of Autumn term...

We were really happy to see the Early Years play structure finally completed over half-term and the children have been enjoying playing on it this week. Wagtail and Starling will be choosing a name for the equipment before its official opening!

You may have also noticed the 'WickleBus' in the car park. Although there are Halcyon minibuses as well, the new one is fully ours. We hope to start reducing the cost of trips by using the buses for outings in the Spring Term.

We will welcome our new caretaker, Mr Craig Light, this week. Craig comes to us from London where he was a senior caretaker in a large secondary school. He will be getting used to his new role this coming week and getting to grips with the school site.

We were pleased to appoint a new Deputy Headteacher just before half-term. From a strong field of candidates, Mr Harry Woolacott demonstrated excellent experience and skills. Mr Woolacott is familiar with Halcyon having worked at Drake several years ago before gaining leadership experience at other foundations and education trusts in Norfolk. He will be visiting school to get to know Wicklewood and meet people before beginning his role after Christmas.



Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December  
2-5pm



WICKLEWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL  
**Christmas Market**

Handmade gifts - Food and Drinks  
Santa's Grotto - Games

**Stalls available:**

- £5 for Wicklewood children running a game stall
- £10 for other stalls



Interested in a stall?

Contact Alice [friends@wiklewood.norfolk.sch.uk](mailto:friends@wiklewood.norfolk.sch.uk)



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Dear Families,

We are excited that once again, both of our Halcyon Federation schools will be attending a performance of the pantomime at Norwich Theatre Royal on Tuesday 9th December. This year's pantomime is Cinderella and you can read more information about the performance here: <https://norwichtheatre.org/whats-on/cinderella/>

The performance is due to start at 1pm and is estimated to finish at 3:30pm. We will all be returning to school for approximately 4pm. Due to this being a whole school event, there will not be an option to pick your child up from the theatre. If there is any delay or change in this timing, a message will be sent out via the Arbor app.

#### Timetable for the day

- Early lunchtime: 11:30-12pm
- Departing school at approximately 12/12:15pm
- Leaving Norwich Theatre Royal at approximately 3:30pm
- Arriving at Wicklewood at approximately 4pm

The school's Friends will also be hosting the Christmas Market on the afternoon of Tuesday 9th. Stalls will be set up while the pupils are out and will be ready for you to visit both before and when the children return from the trip.

As timings for lunch on this day will be slightly different, our lunch options will be a ham or cheese packed lunch, or children will need to bring a packed lunch from home. If you do need to order a lunch for your child, the deadline for this is Monday 1st December. We are aware lunch is a little earlier than usual so please feel free to pack a snack and water bottle for your child to have during the interval of the performance. We would ask that these snacks are not sweets or foods containing nuts. Children can refill their water bottles before we leave.

The cost of the trip is £15.50; this includes the price of the pantomime ticket and coach travel. You can pay for the trip on Arbor as usual.

If you have any questions about our visit, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

**Head of School: Mr L Hughes**  
**Executive Headteacher: Miss Clements McLeod**  
**Chair of Governors: Mr H Cook**

