

Malvern Wyche C of E Primary School

*“Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles.”
Isaiah 40:31*

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Dear families – Happy New Year to you all.

This week at The Wyche

I hope you had lovely Christmases and were able to spend quality time with the people you love.

Welcome back to the Wyche. It's been a brief but action-packed week here at Wyche with children kicking off their new Journeys for the term. Green class launched their "Survival of the Fittest" Journey with an outdoor and indoor survival scavenger hunt and logic exercise, Orange began a computing project about animation by making old-school flicker books (that takes me back...) Blue showed their excellent films to the whole school and then enjoyed writing film criticism about their work, Yellow began listening to (and dancing to) the pop music of the 20th Century and Red class did some lovely work around our school Vision that we should "soar on wings like eagles" agreeing that eagles learn to fly slowly, they make mistakes but if they keep trying, they can fly high.

Collective Worship Assemblies

This week we launched a half term on Respect and began with respectful New Year's Resolutions – looking at what little changes we could make in our voices, words and actions to make others feel more respected and make the school (and the world) a better place.

Online Safety

There will have been many new phones, tablets and devices in stockings and sacks this Christmas. Please make sure they have appropriate safety settings and you have family agreements about safe usage and keep children's communications and web access under supervision.

Digital Devices

Please remember children are not able to bring any of their home internet enabled devices into school. This includes smart watches as typically they are able to send emails, make recordings, or receive texts. If children bring these items into school they will be returned to parents by teachers at the end of the day.

House points

Midsummer House following the STRIVE values this half-week achieved an amazing 49 points in 2 days and reminded us that alone you can be a high flier but together, we "soar". Nice one Midsummer.

Attendance (Really) Matters

Let's start the new term with a New Year's Resolution to be in school every day we can, making the most of the valuable opportunities on offer.

Uniform

Could I remind parents that jewellery, make up, nail polish and hair dye are not part of school uniform and not permitted at school. If you allow children to wear make-up, or colour their hair and nails at home, please ensure it is not permanent and is removed before coming to school.

What's On?

Don't forget our interactive calendar at <https://www.wyche.worcs.sch.uk/calendar> which will keep you posted on up-and-coming events.

At The Wyche we STRIVE for Safety Trust, Respect, Inspiration, Value and Engagement

<u>Mon 9th Jan</u>	Guitar and brass lesson resume today
<u>Tues 10th Jan</u>	After school clubs will not begin until next week, but choir is on today to continue preparations for Young Voices.
<u>Wed 11th Jan</u>	FAME for Blue Class. Please ensure that children in Blue Class bring their violins into school this morning, as we do not have any spare instruments in school. Woodwind and drum lessons. Friends meeting, 7.30pm at the Railway Inn.
<u>Thurs 12th Jan</u>	Piano lessons
<u>Friday 13th Jan</u>	Swimming lessons start for Orange Class
<u>Afterschool clubs</u>	Most afterschool clubs will not commence until the week beginning 16 th January. Choir will recommence on Tuesday 10 th January for those preparing to attend Young Voices on 27 th January. An online form be coming home at the start of next week to enable you to sign up for clubs this term.
<u>Friends</u>	*Save the date* On the evening of Thursday 2 nd February 2023, by popular demand we'll be holding a school disco 'The Snow Ball'. Dust off your dancing shoes – we'll be taking song requests. There will be separate sessions for KS1 / 2 . There will be a meeting of the friends on Wednesday 11 th January 2023, 7.30pm at The Railway. Everyone is welcome – we'll be discussing ideas for the year ahead, so if you or your kids have any ideas either come along or let us know at friendsofthewycheschool@hotmail.com !
<u>Immunisations</u>	The vaccinations team are holding an EXTRA FLU CLINIC in Malvern on Saturday 14 th January 2023 at The Eden Church Centre, Grovewood Road Malvern WR14 1GD. This is for children that either refused/were absent or parents did not initially fill in a consent and so have not yet had the flu immunisation this season. To book an appointment please ring the Hereford office on 01432 663085
<u>Thank you</u>	Thank you all for your kind Christmas wishes, cards and gifts. We are all very grateful. We hope that you had a lovely couple of weeks and wish you all a very Happy 2023.

Have a lovely weekend and take care of yourselves,

Stephen Murphy
Headteacher