

# Wavendon Gate School Spring 1 newsletter 2024

**Current whole school  
attendance**

**96%**

**Class attendance  
winner last half term**

**6B with 97.6%**

**Number of children  
with attendance above  
98%**

**194 out of 408**

**House team wins so far  
this year**

**Caldecotte 4, Willen 2,  
Furzton 2, Tongwell 5**

Dear Parents/Carers,

I would like to wish you all a warm welcome back. I hope you all had a lovely Christmas and a wonderful New Year.

January can be a difficult month with the weather and coming back after a break. To help with this, please see the school calendar on the website for all the exciting school events coming up this half term.

If you have any concerns/issues/comments, please book an appointment via the office and I will endeavour to make myself available to you.

Many thanks,  
Kerry Jarman

## Staff announcements

We are pleased to welcome Miss Clairmonte to Wavendon Gate School. Miss Clairmonte is the new class teacher for 1B. She is a very experienced teacher and we are very excited to have her join us.

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Miss Chennell-Clarke will be leaving us during this half term to start her maternity leave. Miss Chennell-Clarke currently covers in several year groups across the school. We will be replacing Miss Chennell-Clarke with current staff at the school whilst she is off on maternity leave.

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Just to let you know, we are excited to have Mrs Rachel Kok return from maternity leave at the end of this half term.

## School Value for Spring 1 Honesty

Honesty is considered an essential value because it fosters vital traits such as trust and respect.

When we are truthful about our thoughts, feelings and actions, we create a foundation of trust that others can rely on. Honesty is essential for building healthy relationships.

## Car parking Sorry to moan!

I have had several residents that live opposite the school unhappy about parents' parking at the beginning and end of the day. Please can I ask you to be considerate of the people that live near the school. Just to remind you, you should not park on double yellow lines or the zig-zag lines. Please be patient when dropping off or picking up your child. Safety is paramount for children, parents and other motorists. I would rather you or your child is a few minutes late than rushing about and parking dangerously.

Thank you in advance for your understanding and parking safely.

## Parent Questionnaire Results

Thank you to all the parents for filling out the parent questionnaire last half term. We had 225 responses back. The results are below. Lots of parents also filled out the additional comments. We had so many positive comments which is really appreciated. I am currently working my way through all the comments to look at how I can action any of the suggestions for improvements. I will put all the additional comments and my responses on the school website, under Parent hub, as soon as I have finished reviewing them. We are always trying to improve the school further and the views of parents are vital in this. The results below were fantastic—thank you for your continued support.

STATEMENT		STRONGLY AGREE/AGREE	DISAGREE/STRONGLY DISAGREE
1.	My child is happy at this school.	96%	4%
2.	My child feels safe at this school.	99.1%	0.9%
3.	My child does well at this school.	97.3%	2.7%
4.	My child receives the right amount of homework.	90.2%	9.8%
5.	The school has high expectations for my child.	95.6%	4.4%
6.	This school makes sure the pupils are well behaved.	98.7%	1.3%
7.	This school deals with bullying.	95.1%	4.9%
8.	This school is a welcoming and pleasant place to visit.	98.2%	1.8%
9.	The school makes me aware of what my child will learn during the year.	99%	1%
10.	When I have raised concerns with the school, they have been dealt with properly.	96.9%	3.3%
11.	The school lets me know how my child is doing.	95.1%	4.9%
12.	There is a good range of subjects available to my child at this school.	100%	
13.	The school supports my child's wider personal development with trips, visitors, clubs etc.	96%	4%
14.	My child takes part in clubs or activities at this school including Rising Stars.	85.8%	14.2%
15.	I would recommend Wavendon Gate School to another parent.	Yes 98.5%	No 1.5%

## Diary Dates

Monday 15th January	- Monday Sewing Club starts
Tuesday 16th January	- Young Voices performance at the O2 Arena London
Wednesday 17th January	- Wednesday Sewing Club starts
Wednesday 17th January	- Class 5A swimming starts
Thursday 18th January	- Year 6 Trip to Silverstone Museum 9:00—3:15pm
Thursday 18th January	- Class 5B Assembly **
Friday 19th January	- FoWG Unwanted Gift donations—to school Admin Office
Wednesday 24th January	- FoWG Bags2School - Please put in bike shed before 9am
Monday 5th February	- Year 5 visit to The Stables for French Study Day 9:45—3:15pm
Tuesday 6th February	- Year 3 Trip to the Mosque 9:15—11:15
Tuesday 13th February	- Year 2 Trip Bletchley Park 9:30—3:15
Friday 16th February	- FoWG Dress Down Day £1 donation
Friday 16th February	- FoWG School Disco—More details to follow
Friday 16th February	- Last day of term 3:15pm
<b>Monday 19th February—23rd February ** Half TERM **</b>	
Monday 26th February	- 1st day back to school Spring Term 2

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