



Wivelsfield Primary School and Nursery

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Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year!

Last term ended in a flurry of Christmas performances, celebrations and lots of fun and it does not seem possible we are already a week into the new term!

There was no newsletter at the end of last term and I am aware that you have already had a couple of letters last week, but there are a few things to share with you, which may be of interest.

PTA News

The PTA is pleased to announce that the Christmas Fayre raised a fantastic £2250 profit for our school. The atmosphere was truly magical, with a wonderful Grotto, festive stalls and a host of games. Thank you to everyone who helped to pull it off!

Well done to Louisa and Victoria who put on another beautiful wreath-making evening, which raised an additional £270.

£200 has been given to each class plus SEN for 'wishlist' items and £400 for the Butterflies Library with £89.35 from the Asda Cashpot still to come.

Keep an eye out for details on upcoming fundraising events in the New Year.

Drama Club and Exam Tuition

Mrs Murray, who leads our drama club and offers private tuition, is delighted to let you know that 3 pupils took Acting exams with NEW ERA ACADEMY last term and all passed with excellent marks.

Dylan: Merit

Freya : Merit

Sam: Distinction

If you are interested in the drama club or tuition, please contact wendyflomurray@gmail.com for details.

NHS Pharmacy First Service

We have been asked to share this information:

Did you know that the NHS Pharmacy First Service enables children and adults to get convenient access to healthcare advice and treatment where appropriate, for seven common conditions without the potential delay of having to wait for a GP appointment? Accessing the service may mean that we can help children feel better and get back to school as quickly as possible, as well as supporting parents/carers to also get better if they are unwell with one of the conditions covered under the service.

There is usually no need to make an appointment; parents or carers can pop into their local pharmacy with their child and ask for help under the service.

Support for the following conditions can be accessed under the service, free of charge (unless NHS prescription charges apply):

Common condition	Patient eligibility
Earache	1 to 17 years
Impetigo	1 year and over
Infected insect bites and stings	1 year and over
Sore throats	5 years and over
Sinusitis	12 years and over
Uncomplicated urinary tract	Women 16 to 64 years
Shingles	18 years and over

Fiddle Toys in school

We have noticed that some children are bringing fiddle toys and chew toys into school. Please may we ask that your child does not do this. If you feel your child would benefit from one, please talk to your child's class teacher in the first instance, and if we agree one is needed, we will be happy to provide one. Thank you for our co-operation with this.

Communication with teachers

Unlike many local schools, rather than all correspondence going via the school office, we are happy to share our teachers' email addresses directly with you. When emailing teachers, please be mindful of teachers' work life balance and well-being by not expecting a response to any email late in the evening. Please also be mindful that as teachers are in the classroom with children from 8.40am, they cannot guarantee to see important messages about collection arrangements etc., or see urgent emails that need an immediate action. Please ensure these are emailed to the office. I would also ask that all emails are written in a courteous manner. Unless there is an agreement between you and your child's teacher, if you are finding you need to email them on a regular basis, it may be a good idea to organise a meeting after school when you can discuss any problems face to face. Again, thank you for your co-operation with this.

Reception Admissions September 2025

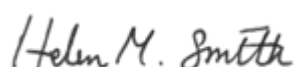
Remember, applications for Reception Class 2025 close on 15th January. If you still need to apply or know someone who wants a place at Wivelsfield School, make sure the application is in on time!

Time to Celebrate

At Wivelsfield School we aim to help our children be they best they can be in all areas of school life. We try to ensure our students have an enriched education with a wealth of opportunities to flourish in the arts and sport as well as shine academically and equip them to be happy and confident young people. The DfE league tables, acknowledge just a tiny bit of what we do: Year 6 attainment in SATS and teacher assessment. We are very proud that we are the 7th best school in East Sussex with 82% of our students achieving the expected standard in reading, writing and mathematics in comparison with 61% nationally.

Happy New Year

Warm regards



Helen Smith
Headteacher

