

# Annual Celebrations and Events 23-24

Last year we increased the celebrations we recognise at Wallscourt Farm Academy to represent the diversity of WFA and our local community. We would like to share with you the festivals, celebrations and events we will be acknowledging this year.



## Diwali



We will be celebrating with a special gathering led by learners and their families.

## Chinese New Year



We hope to be able to invite The University of Bristol Chinese Lion Dance Troupe back to Wallscourt Farm Academy to perform for us.

## Eid



We would like to be able to build on the Eid celebrations that we enjoyed last year.

WORLD  
**BOOK  
DAY**

7 MARCH 2024

## World Book Day

Throughout the day learners will be taking part in different activities to promote a love of reading. We will also be holding a bedtime stories event with hot chocolate and doughnuts!

Learners can attend the bedtime stories event in their pyjamas, but we will not be coming to school dressed up as book characters.

## National Charity Fundraising Events

We have made the decision not to take part in any national charity fundraising events this year. If families wish to donate to these causes, there are plenty of opportunities for them to be able to do this outside of school. In order to promote the idea of giving and supporting others, we will hold one event across the year to raise money for a local charity. This charity will be selected by the learners. We will also be collecting donations for our local food bank. Learners will be able to wear their Christmas jumper to school on the day we have our Christmas lunch however we won't be asking for a donation for them to do this.





# WFA Reading Curriculum Evening

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2023



Dear families,

We would like to invite you to an evening workshop which will look at how we teach and support all children to develop their reading. The evening is designed to give you further insight into the learning here at Wallscourt Farm Academy and help you think about how you can continue to work with us to support children in their learning.

The evening will be held on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November and will run slightly differently for families of children in Oak Learning Zone (our reception class) to those with children in year groups 1 to 6. The evening for year groups 1 to 6 will include a whole school address from the principal, Charlotte Black, about the curriculum and being a reader at WFA. Following this, families will be directed to their child's year group for a session about being a reader in that learning zone. The evening will run as follows:

- 5.30 pm – whole school address in the Super Classroom
- 6.00 pm – families make their way to the year group they would like to find out more about
- 6.30 pm – end of evening



For our families in Oak Learning Zone, the evening will begin at 6pm for an address from the principal, Charlotte Black, about early years and the WFA curriculum. Following this, the Oak teaching team will share key information about the early years curriculum, phonics and reading. This will all take place in the Super Classroom and will end between 6.30 and 7.00 pm depending on running times.

It is really important that families attend these workshops if possible as they are designed to support you in helping the children with their reading at home. This forms part of our learning triangle approach where the partnership with families is fundamental to our ethos. We have planned for this evening to take place before our Family Learning Conferences so that families can hear about reading progression and support prior to the conversations about your child's progress.

This will be the first of 2 curriculum evenings that we will hold this year at WFA. The second curriculum evening will take place later in the year and will be based on how WFA supports and challenges learners across the curriculum.

We look forward to seeing you during this first meeting and working together to support your child's learning journey.

Kind regards  
WFA Team



*Being a reader*