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# Warwick Schools Foundation MAT Newsletter

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# Welcome



Another half-term full of collaborative working and successes as we progress through to establishing the Warwick School Foundation as one of the leading trusts within the local area. Highlights of this term include the wonderful World Book Day at Westgate Primary, that saw a visiting author work together with children from all the Foundation and Trust Schools who were taken to new worlds in what they saw, heard and then were inspired to do. I am continually impressed with the collaborative work our Headteachers are engaged in together, with the nationally known education leader Paul Ainsworth.

They are busy developing a suite of Trust School Improvement measures and processes and establishing the mechanisms for future Trust Growth and success. This is an important and positive step in our journey, one that will strengthen our collective capacity, broaden opportunities, and further enhance the educational experiences we provide.

I am humbled and grateful for the ongoing professionalism, dedication, and engagement of everyone involved as we move forward together. Thank you, as always for your continued support and commitment. Our Trust is based upon collaboration, and the partnership with you and our families is at the heart of that.

**Richard Williams,  
WSF MAT Director**



It has been another busy half term, with so much achieved in our schools and so many wonderful opportunities for us to work together more closely as a community. A personal highlight was attending the World Book Day at Westgate School, encompassing all our Trust schools and the Foundation schools. This amply demonstrated the importance of both the structured time and the social time our pupils enjoyed together. Social cohesion is one of the key aims for the Trust and events such as these help us to fulfil such an important aspect of every child's life.

I wish you all a very happy Easter and hope that whatever the next few weeks hold for you, you each manage to find some well-deserved downtime.

**Richard Nicholson,  
WSF MAT Chief Executive Officer**

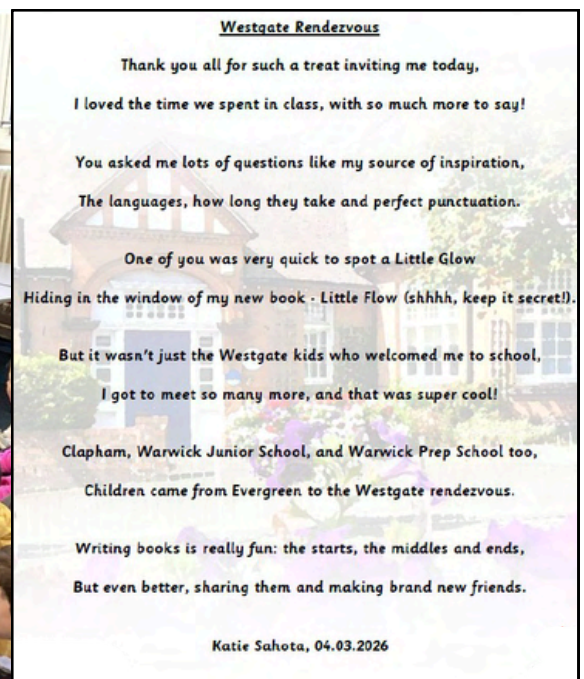
# Enriching educational experiences

## A memorable collective World Book Day

For World Book Day on the 5<sup>th</sup> March, children from our MAT and Foundation schools were invited to Westgate Primary for a special event. Author Katie Sahota visited pupils and read from her published children's books, including Little Glow.

Pupils also took part in in a basketball session where they were able to demonstrate excellent teamwork skills!

Katie also wrote a poem about her visit which pupils enjoyed reading!





## Hear from some pupils as they reflect on the day:

"I enjoyed listening to Katie's books when she read them aloud to us all" - Y5 Boy

"I enjoyed listening to a real life author and my questions were answered" - Y5 Girl

"I loved playing on the climbing frame with new people" - Y5 Girl

"Meeting the Westgate children was brilliant, they were very well behaved and friendly" - Y5 Girl

"The other pupils were very welcoming and they talked nicely to us and shared their opinions on the book, one girl said they were nervous about people coming in from other schools but she seemed much calmer after we spoke" - Y5 Girl

## A visit to watch the Orchestra of the Swan



Our Foundation schools enjoyed a trip to Warwick School's Warwick Hall, where they watched a rehearsal performance from the Orchestra of the Swan.

The Orchestra of the Swan is a nationally renowned professional orchestra, so it is a really special opportunity for pupils in our MAT schools to experience this.

## Give your child a summer to remember

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### Summer Orchestra Course

Learn. Play. Perform.

BOOK NOW

Warwick Schools Foundation can't wait to welcome talented and aspiring musicians aged 7-16 from across the region to our new Orchestra Course. The course is open to all boys and girls who want to take their music-making to the next level, whether a beginner or intermediate musician.

To find out more, click the banner above.

# Netball success for our MAT schools

Alongside 23 other schools across Warwickshire, our MAT schools took part in a netball workshop and tournament at King's High School. It was a fun filled day of teamwork, collaboration and making new friends while meeting pupils from many other local primary schools.

Each of our MAT schools performed really well, winning many matches! Huge congratulations to the Year 5 team at Clapham Terrace who were crowned overall winners!



# Evergreen Holiday Club Partners with Warwick Schools Foundation Sixth Form

The Evergreen Holiday Club is proud to work closely with enthusiastic Sixth Form pupils from Warwick Schools Foundation, who play a vital role as play leaders each year.

On 23<sup>rd</sup> February, Sue Clark, Assistant Head from Evergreen, joined Kate Grafton, Acting Director of Innovation and Partnerships at King's High School, to speak in a Year 12 assembly with students from both King's High and Warwick School about the opportunity to join the Holiday Club team next academic year.

It was a great opportunity to share how this partnership has not only supported the club, but has also given pupils valuable experience that strengthens university applications and, in many cases, leads to ongoing holiday work once they return home from university.

Following a lot of interest, pupils were asked to write a short piece about themselves and why they wanted to work at the holiday club. On 9th March, Sue and Megan Whittle from Evergreen interviewed 16 applicants for play worker positions. As well as forming an important part of our safer recruitment process, these interviews provided pupils with a chance to develop confidence and practice real interview techniques.

We look forward to welcoming some fantastic new young leaders to the Evergreen Holiday Club team!

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# PE lessons from The Kingsley School

Pupils in Year 1 at Clapham Terrace have been enjoying some high quality PE sessions by Mr Nick Foan from The Kingsley School. They have engaged in a variety of activities practicing throwing and catching skills.

The support has been so valuable for children and staff alike as the children enjoyed a new person teaching them and their teacher observed some new techniques she will put in place when she continues to teach PE with the pupils.



## An invitation to a day of making music



ORCHESTRA OF **The Swan**

On the 19<sup>th</sup> April, pupils in years 2-6 including the MAT Schools and Warwick Schools Foundation in CV34 postal area, are invited to attend a free music-making day taking place at Warwick Hall.

The Foundation is looking forward to working with pupils for what will be a wonderfully fun and interactive day, where pupils will leave having learnt new skills and made new friends.

## Westgate pupil Himank takes part in Warwick School sculpture workshop

Himank attended a Pangaea sculpture workshop at Warwick School during the half-term holidays. He made models using varied materials and learnt how different materials can support each other structural-ly and aesthetically.

The big structure at the back was made from a collective group of children using wooden sticks for structure and paper as covering. They also carried out some work with lighting and glass. It was the highlight of his half term break!



# Netball training at The Kingsley School

Clapham Terrace Netball Team recently had the pleasure of being invited to Kingsley for a collaborative training session. It was a fantastic opportunity for both teams to come together, share skills, and learn from one another.

A big thank you to Kingsley for the use of their courts — we really appreciate it!



## Protective Behaviours training day

In February some colleagues from Evergreen, Clapham Terrace and Westgate joined together for a Protective Behaviours Training Day.

During this they were introduced to the Protective Behaviours process, including the two themes, "We all have the right to feel safe all the time" and "We can talk with someone about anything, even if it feels awful or small" and the seven strategies.

Colleagues were invited throughout the day to reflect on how the process could be used to support the work we do in schools as well as our own well-being outside of the workplace. It also provided a good opportunity to network and share some of the similarities and differences between different settings.

## A visit to see Parsnip at King's High

Pupils at Clapham Terrace continued to receive a special visit from Parsnip from King's High School!



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