



# Wensley Fold CE Primary Academy

"Make Each Day Count"

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Dear Parent

## **PARENT GOVERNORS**

We currently have two vacancies for parent governors, we are particularly seeking anyone who has a financial background, however this is not essential. Please contact the office to express your interest as soon as possible. Thank you.

## **SPRING BULBS**

As you will be aware the spring bulbs are beginning to come out on the grass verges within the school grounds. Please can parents ensure that children **DO NOT** go onto any of the verges and bankings but keep to the paths, this will ensure that when the flowers bloom they can be enjoyed by us all. Thank you



## **SPORTING EVENTS/COMPETITIONS**

Please ensure all children taking part in sporting events/competitions after school are collected on time (stated in the letter). There were two occasions before the half term where children were picked more than 30 minutes late!

## **YEAR 5 FRANCE MEETING**

There is an information meeting for all parents of children who are going on the France trip in March on Wednesday 21 February at 2.30pm – **it is essential for all parents to attend**. Details such as final itinerary, packing list, details of travel arrangements, spending money and an emergency contact list will be discussed in the meeting. If any parent cannot attend, please contact school as soon as possible.



## **BOOK PEOPLE BUS**

As part of celebrating World Book Day, we have arranged for a 'Book Bus' to come into school on Tuesday 27 February. The 'Book Bus' is run by the Book People and you can save up to 75% off RRP on books, with over 250 books from just £3.



Due to health and safety, it will not be possible for all children to have a session on the bus as mentioned in the last newsletter. Children can purchase books with their classes if they bring money into school in an envelope or they can purchase books with parents after school.

### **WORLD BOOK DAY**

Just a reminder that we will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 1 March and in line with this year's theme 'Share a Story', all children can come to school dressed as their favourite book character (no football shirts). There will be a prize for the best costume in each class.



### **WORLD BOOK DAY – SHARE A STORY WENSLEY FOLD ‘EXTREME READING CHALLENGE’**

There is still one more week left to take a photo and enter our extreme reading challenge. Who can be photographed reading in the most unusual place? The closing date for all entries is next Wednesday 28 February and winners/prizes will be announced on World Book Day (Thursday 1 March).

Entries so far include some brilliant pictures including Aisha Shah (2B) and Jawad Shah (4D) reading in a swimming pool, Madina Zabier (3B) reading in her attic and Rakhshan Mansur (2B) reading in his brother's cot! Don't be shy – Get reading!

Entries can be emailed to school, posted on our school Facebook account or printed out and brought into school.

The best picture from each year group will win a prize and a place on our reading 'Hall of Fame' board in school. How extreme can you go?

### **YEAR 6 ACTIVITIES WEEK**

Please can all remaining deposits of £20 be paid by the end of this week. Thank you.

### **YEAR 4 SWIMMING**

A reminder that both Year 4 classes will be swimming on Friday afternoons.

### **SCHOOL DIRECT TEACHER INFORMATION EVENT**

Are you a graduate who would like to train to be an outstanding teacher? Then come along and find out about our 'School Direct' teacher training PGCE programme. It is a fantastic opportunity to receive 'on the job' training which will be delivered by our Specialist Leaders of Education across the authority and the University of Cumbria.

The event will be held at Wensley Fold CE Primary Academy this Thursday 22 February from 2.00pm – 5.00pm. More information about School Direct can be found on the school's website [www.wensleyfold.co.uk](http://www.wensleyfold.co.uk). To attend the event, please email [m.hutchison@wensleyfold.blackburn.sch.uk](mailto:m.hutchison@wensleyfold.blackburn.sch.uk). Thank you.



### **GOVERNOR MEETINGS**

There will be meetings of the governor sub-committees next week as follows:  
Teaching & Learning Tues 27 February at 5.00pm

Community                      Wed 28 February at 5.00pm  
Finance                         Wed 28 February at 6.00pm  
Pay & Personnel                      (following Finance)

### **SING TOGETHER PROJECT**

Outreach workers from the Sing Together project will be working with all the children who are taking part in Sing Together next Monday morning.

Tickets are now on sale and are priced at £6 per adult and £1.50 per child. They can be bought at King Georges Hall or on their website [www.kinggeorghall.com](http://www.kinggeorghall.com) . Please note the children's concert date is 5 March 2018.

### **PARENTS WORKSHOP – INSPIRE MATHS**

This continues to run on Monday mornings.

### **ENGLISH CLASSES**

We are running ESOL classes in school on Monday afternoons from 1.00pm-3.00pm where you can learn English, improve your speaking, listening, reading and writing skills. However we do require a minimum of 6 parents for them to take place. Please inform Mrs Ghiwala if you are interested.

### **LITERACY COURSE**

This will continue to run on Tuesday mornings.

### **WELL-BEING CO-ORDINATOR – DROP IN SESSIONS**

Mrs Tasneem Abdul is our well-being coordinator and holds a drop in session every Tuesday afternoon from 2.00pm – 3.00pm. Her role is to support pupils and their families through challenging times and to ensure they receive all the practical and emotional support they may require. Parents can attend the sessions for any issues, worries or concerns they may have or even help with filling out forms. She may not always have the answers but a large part of her work involves working with other agencies to ensure that our parents receive the best support possible.

### **BBC 500 WORD CHALLENGE**

This is a competition being run by BBC Radio 2. All Children's University members received a separate flyer before the holidays with more information and details of how to enter. If your child has completed this please make sure you send proof to school along with their passport so they can collect 2 hours for doing this. There is still time to enter, but you only have until 7pm on Thursday to submit your child's entry online.

### **BLACKBURN YOUTH ZONE**

Blackburn Youth Zone is a 21st century youth hub located at the heart of Blackburn, open to young people aged 5 to 19 years old, aiming to change the prospects offered to young people in the area. They are now registered with Blackburn Children's University so members can collect stamps in their passports. They now offering a club to children aged 5-7 on a Saturday afternoon between 12.30pm - 2pm and sessions for

children aged 8-11 are on a Wednesday and Friday evening and Saturday afternoon. Each session is run by fully trained staff and sessions are only 50p!

They offer a range of activities including sports, trampolining, games, dance and much more! For more information or to register your child, please contact Emma at Blackburn Youth Zone on: 01254 292000.

### **PARK AND STRIDE**

We will be continuing with our Park and Stride on Friday mornings from 8.25am – 8.35am at Sacred Heart Church car park entrance on Preston New Road.

### **STORY TIME & RHYME TIME**

Reception parents are invited to attend Story time with their children on Wednesday afternoons at 2.45pm and rhyme time with their children on Friday afternoons at 2.45pm.



### **100 BOOKS READING CHALLENGE**

If you would like to sign up for the 100 books reading challenge, registration forms are available from Mr Desai in the school library from Tuesday to Friday. Please note the library is open to specific year groups on certain days from 3.15pm-3.30pm



- Tuesday – Reception classes
- Wednesday – Year 1 classes
- Thursday – Year 2 classes
- Friday – Reception – Year 6

The library is also open to Years 3 - 6 during Golden Time (Friday 11.30pm – 12.45pm).

### **WENSLEY FOLD CE PRIMARY ACADEMY – DINNER MENU 21 Feb 18 – 27 Feb 18**

<b>Wednesday</b>  Homemade Cheese & Onion Flan With Chunky Chips & Coleslaw  Salad from the Cart		<b>Thursday</b>  Homemade Chicken Curry With Rice  Salad from the Cart		<b>Friday</b>  Homemade Cottage Pie With Garden Peas  Salad from the Cart		<b>Monday</b>  Breaded Haddock With Mash & Beans  Salad from the Cart
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**Tuesday**

Homemade  
Lamb & Potato Hotpot  
With  
Carrots

Salad from the Cart

**Healthy Grab 5 Meal**

Sandwich Baps with Assorted  
Vegetarian Fillings  
A Selection of Fresh Fruit,  
Yoghurt & Dried Fruit  
Cheese & Biscuits  
Breadsticks  
Homemade Muffins or Cookies  
Water, Milk or Fresh Fruit Juice

Tickets can be purchased daily (except Mon)  
for those children who are not on school  
meal

**Also Available Daily**

Baked Potatoes with Assorted Fillings  
Bread & Butter  
A Selection of Fresh Fruit and Yoghurt  
Cheese & Biscuits

Water, Milk or Fresh Fruit Juice