



# Wensley Fold CE Primary Academy

"Make Each Day Count"

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Dear Parent

## **HALF TERM**

School will close this Friday 12 October for the half term break and will re-open on **Monday 29 October**. Clubs will be on as normal on Friday.

## **HARVEST**

Continuing with our inter faith theme of Giving Thanks, we will be holding our annual Harvest Festival, which will be led by Year 1 children, at St Silas Church this Thursday 11 October at 9.30am. We hope that parents, grandparents and friends will be able to join us on the day. Please can any donations of tinned beans or spaghetti, tinned soup, tinned tomatoes, tinned fish, jam, long grain rice, pasta, tea, coffee or sugar be sent into school by this Thursday to be forwarded to Blackburn Foodbank, Oakenhurst Road & Nightsafe which is our nominated charity this year. Donations of toothpaste and toiletries would also be welcomed. Thank you.



## **PARENTPAY & ONLINE LUNCH ORDERING**

As mentioned in previous newsletters we have moved onto a new online payment system to bring us in line with the high schools. There are still 4 children who have not been registered, it is very important that this is done as soon as possible as from **6 November** parents will need to order their lunch online for the following week and every week after that, even children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 who receive a free meal will have to make a choice. Parents will also have to be **IN CREDIT** on their account to make a choice, if payment is not made within 2 hrs the choice will be deleted. If any parent would like to see a demonstration on how this works please see Mrs Ghiwala. Thank you for your cooperation with this matter.

## **SCHOOL TRIPS**

We are no longer sending out paper copies of trip letters or consent forms, these are now uploaded to ParentPay and parents will notice on their account that there are items to pay for which includes all trips and uniform requirements, including iPads for Year 3. This is in a bid to reduce our carbon footprint. Please keep an eye on your account for any upcoming trips. Thank you for your continued cooperation with this matter.

## **NEW LUNCH ARRANGEMENTS**

From October half term we will be introducing fixed lunch patterns, parents will need to decide whether their child will be having school lunches or packed lunches and will not be able to change for half a term, most other schools already have this in place. If you do not return the slip from the letter sent home last week by this Friday we will assume that the pattern you are currently on will stand until February half term when the choice may be changed. Thank you.

## **WELCOME BACK**

A big welcome back to Miss Lloyd in Year 5L who has returned to school after her maternity leave.

## **SAFEGUARDING**

As you know we take safeguarding very seriously in school. Please may we remind parents that under no circumstances should they approach other people's children – please speak to the class teacher or the Headteacher.

## **AFTER SCHOOL EVENTS/COMPETITIONS**

Please can all children be collected at the correct time when they are taking part in after school events.

## **SCHOOL TELEPHONE OPTIONS**

Please be aware that the options when ringing school have changed, the absence line remains the same at option 1, to contact our Pupil Wellbeing Coordinator, Miss Abdul press option 2 and to contact the school office it is now **OPTION 0**.

## **SPARE CLOTHES**

Please can we have any spare clothes (boys and girls) – ages 3-7 including underwear and socks for Reception classes. Thank you.

## **YEAR 1 VISIT TO JUDGES LODGINGS**

As part of their topic on Toys in History, both Year 1 classes will be visiting the Toy Museum at the Judges Lodgings, Lancaster on Wednesday 31 October. Children should wear their school uniform. Please can all monies be paid **online** on ParentPay by this Thursday 11 October. Thank you.



## **YEAR 2 VISIT TO CLITHEROE CASTLE**

As part of their History topic on castles, Year 2 will be visiting Clitheroe Castle on Thursday 1 November 2018. Children should wear their school uniform. A waterproof coat may be required depending on the weather. Please can all monies be paid **online** on ParentPay by Thursday 11 October. Thank you.



## **YEAR 3 ROMAN WORKSHOP**

As part of their history topic on 'The Romans', a history specialist will be delivering workshops to both Year 3 classes on Wednesday 7 November where the children will learn all about the Roman way of life. The cost of the visit £7 which must be paid online on ParentPay. Further information relating to the trip will be sent out later this week. Thank you.



## **YEAR 5 HELMSHORE MILLS TEXTILE MUSEUM**

As part of their History topic on Victorians, Year 5 will be visiting Helmsshore Mills Textile Museum on Tuesday 13 November 2018. Children should wear their school uniform. The cost of the visit £10 which must be paid online on ParentPay. Thank you.



## **YEAR 3 iPADS**

As mentioned in last week's newsletter, payment details for the Year 3 iPads are 6 monthly instalments of £30 and the first instalment must be paid before the end of this month. For those parents who couldn't make the meeting the presentation is on the school website on the Year 3 class page. If any parent has any queries please do not hesitate to contact school. Thank you.

## **PANTOMIME – SLEEPING BEAUTY**

Once again this year we have arranged for all the children to visit King Georges Hall to watch a production of 'Sleeping Beauty' at a greatly reduced price of just £8.50 (the normal price would be £16) on Wednesday 19 December at 1.15pm. The visit is for all children from Reception to Year 6.



**Please make the payment online.** Thank you.

## **SING TOGETHER**

All children who have signed up for the 'Sing Together Project' will be practicing with the professional cathedral singers this Thursday afternoon in the school hall.

## **RECEPTION – YEAR 5 FLU VACCINATIONS**

For all those parents who have given consent for their child to have the nasal flu vaccination, this will take place on Monday 29 October.

## **RECEPTION FUND**

If you haven't already done so, please can parents of children in Reception pay £30 at the school office for the Reception Fund. Thank you.

## **MILK**

Milk money is now due for the Autumn Term for all infant children; however all Reception children will receive free milk up to the term in which they have their 5<sup>th</sup> birthday. Please can parents of children in Years 1 and 2 pay £12 online for this academic year.

## **SECONDARY ADMISSIONS 2019**

Parent of children in Year 6 must now apply for their child's secondary school for September 2019 using the online application at [www.blackburn.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.blackburn.gov.uk/admissions) The closing date for the applications is **31 October 2018**.

## **PRIMARY SCHOOL ADMISSIONS 2019**

If your child's 5th birthday is between 1 September 2019 and 31 August 2020 you need to make arrangements **NOW** for admission in September 2019. You must now apply using the online application at [www.blackburn.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.blackburn.gov.uk/admissions). The closing date for the applications is **15 January 2019**.

## **CREDIT UNION**

This is a non-profit organisation controlled by its own members and offers great rates of interest and low cost loans. A member of Credit Union is in school every Friday morning from 8.30am – 8.50am for anyone who wants to open an account and of course for existing members. Application forms are available to collect from the main office.

Parents of children in both Reception classes – please check with Mrs Ghiwala. Thank you.

## **ESOL CLASSES**

We are running ESOL classes in school on Monday afternoons, starting from 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

## **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. Please register with Mrs Ghiwala in the school office by Thursday afternoon. Thank you.

## **CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY SIGN UP**

For those who are not members and would like to sign up to Children's University please note the sign up is taking place **THIS Saturday 13 October** anytime from 10am –

1pm at the University Centre, Blackburn College. All children who are not already members will receive a leaflet about this today. Children's University is for all children in Years 1 – 6 and the cost to join is £3. On the day Children's University merchandise will also be on sale. If you have any questions please contact Sara Burton on 07805929965.

### **CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY TRIP – BROCKHOLES**

Letters went out yesterday to all Children's University members in Years 3 – 6 about this trip. Registration and payment for the trip needs to be done on PARENTPAY. Places are limited.

### **HALF TERM ACTIVITIES**

All activities are now full. If you have signed your child up to any of the activities please make sure you return the consent form which was attached to the confirmation letter before this Friday. Failure to return this will mean your child cannot attend the activities. Please note all activities for Wensley Fold are during the second week of the holidays. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact Sara Burton on 07805929965.

### **SINGING AT THE UNIVERSITY CENTRE, BLACKBURN COLLEGE GRADUATION**

This is taking place this week and children have already been chosen for this. There will be a rehearsal at King George's Hall tomorrow afternoon (Wed) and the performances will be on Thursday. All children who are taking part should be back at school for 3.10pm. As mentioned in last week's newsletter, all children who are taking part will require a packed lunch on the day and they should be back at school for 3.10pm.

### **MATHS AT WITTON PARK**

For those attending the maths at Witton Park Academy on a Monday after school please note there will be a session this Monday 15 October. As school is closed for the holidays you are more than welcome to drop your child off straight at Witton for a 3.35pm start and collect them at 4.30pm if you wish.

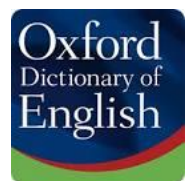
### **DICTIONARIES**

Dictionaries are available to buy from school, age appropriate:

Key Stage One (Years 1 & 2)                      £5

Key Stage Two (Years 3 - 6)                      £6

We encourage all children to have access to a dictionary for use when completing spelling and vocabulary work.



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


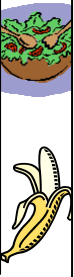

Please note Story Time & Rhyme Time will start after the October half term holidays.



## **SCHOOL DINNER MENU**

The last dinner menu to appear on the newsletter will be on the first one after half term. The dinner menu from 6 November until the Christmas holidays is now available to view on ParentPay. Thank you.

### **WENSLEY FOLD CE PRIMARY ACADEMY – DINNER MENU 10 Oct 18 – 30 Oct 18**

<p><b>Wednesday</b></p> <p>Homemade Cottage Pie With Peas</p> <p>Salad from the Cart</p> 	<p><b>Thursday</b></p> <p>Homemade Lamb Bolognese With Pasta &amp; Sweetcorn</p> <p>Salad from the Cart</p> 	<p><b>Friday</b></p> <p>Homemade Chicken Daal With Naan Bread</p> <p>Salad from the Cart</p> 	<p><b>Monday</b></p> <p>Breaded Haddock With Mash &amp; Beans</p> <p>Salad from the Cart</p>
<p><b>Tuesday</b></p> <p>Homemade Lamb &amp; Potato Hotpot With Carrots</p> <p>Salad from the Cart</p>	<p><b>Healthy Grab 5 Meal</b></p> <p>Sandwich Baps with Assorted Vegetarian Fillings A Selection of Fresh Fruit, Yoghurt &amp; Dried Fruit Cheese &amp; Biscuits Breadsticks Homemade Muffins or Cookies Water, Milk or Fresh Fruit Juice</p> <p><u>Tickets can be purchased daily (except Mon) for those children who are not on school meal</u></p>	<p><b>Also Available Daily</b></p> <p>Baked Potatoes with Assorted Fillings Bread &amp; Butter A Selection of Fresh Fruit and Yoghurt Cheese &amp; Biscuits</p> <p>Water, Milk or Fresh Fruit Juice</p>	