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Dear Parent

SCHOOL GRID

As all parents should now be aware, we are transferring our catering to Dolce Catering Ltd from Monday 4 January. This will mean a new online ordering and payment system just for school meals. Tomorrow (2 December after 2pm) a link will be emailed to you asking you to register an account, this must be activated as soon as possible in order for you be set up before we break for the Christmas holidays. **If any parent does not receive this link by the end of tomorrow please contact school urgently.** (Please note this link will only be sent to parents of children currently on school dinners).

NEW MENUS & HALAL MEAT

We have not yet received the new Spring menu from Dolce, as soon as we do it will be passed on to parents and will also be available on School Grid when you have activated your account. **Also can we reassure parents that our current supplier of Halal meat, Yaseen's will continue to be the supplier of all meat in school from January.**

PARENTPAY & ONLINE LUNCH ORDERING

Please can we remind parents that they have just before 10pm **TONIGHT** to order their child's lunches next week. Please note, if you have not booked your child's lunches, you will have to provide them with a packed lunch. Please also ensure once you have booked your child's lunches that you check to make sure the booking has been confirmed. Many thanks for your cooperation.

CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCH

The school kitchen has very kindly offered to cook a Christmas lunch for all children on Thursday 17 December. A traditional lunch will be served (all halal). We would very much like every child to participate regardless as to whether children normally have sandwiches. If your child is normally on packed lunches but would like them to have a

Christmas Dinner please contact Mrs Ghiwala by Tuesday 8 December, we are encouraging all children to have a Christmas lunch and join in the festivities. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

We will be having a non-uniform day on Thursday 17 December. All children can wear a Christmas jumper, please do not buy a jumper especially, any red, green or sparkly top will be fine. Thank you.

CLEANER VACANCY

We have a vacancy in school for a cleaner, the hours will be 3.15pm until 5.30pm Mon-Thurs and 3.00pm – 5.00pm equating to 11hrs per week. Please be aware that your contract involves 33hrs of working during the summer holidays for deep cleaning. If you are interested, please collect an application pack from the main office or email bursar@wensleyfold.blackburn.sch.uk Previous cleaning experience will be essential.

PARENTS' EVENING

Current guidance does not allow us to meet face to face with parents at the moment. Therefore, to replace parents evening we will be sending out our interim reports as usual but with a bit of extra information on there and also following up with a phone call if we have any concerns that need to be discussed further. We will indicate on the report if you will be receiving a phone call from your child's teacher. These reports will be sent out on Friday 11 December as we have pushed our assessment week back later than usual to give us chance to teach the children the parts of the curriculum that they may have missed over lock down. Phone calls will take place week beginning 14 December.

CHRISTMAS PLAYS & CONCERTS

Our Christmas productions will still take place this year, but due to Covid restrictions will be very different and will be as follows:

Year 2 nativity will take place on Zoom on Friday 18 December with other classes singing along on Zoom from their classrooms.

Year 4 will be producing a short comedy Christmas film with Mr Simpson

Reception will be recording some Christmas songs and a short nativity.

All productions will be filmed and shared with parents.

BREAKFAST CLUB

If you wish your child to attend Breakfast Club, please make sure you have informed the office by this Thursday. Please remember that payment must be made in advance on ParentPay.

VISION SCREENING – YEAR 1

Vision screening for all children in Year 1 will take place this Thursday 3 December. If you would like your child to **opt out** from the vision screening test, please contact the school office.

PRIMARY SCHOOL ADMISSIONS 2020

If your child's 5th birthday is between 1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022 you need to make arrangements **NOW** for admission in September 2021. You must now apply using the online application at www.blackburn.gov.uk/admissions. The closing date for the applications is **15 January 2021**.

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 5th birthday. Please can parents of children in Years 1 and 2 pay £12 online for this academic year. Parents of children in both Reception classes – please check with Mrs Ghiwala. Thank you.

SCHOOL CLUBS

Please note that school clubs finish this week. Further details on the clubs available in January will be sent out at the start of that term.

CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY CRAFT PACKS

If you would like to order a Festive Winter Craft pack for the holidays you have until this Thursday to do so. Places are extremely limited and there are not many packs left. Please logon to ParentPay to order a pack. Packs cost £5 and are available for children in Reception – Year 6. Those who have ordered packs will be sent this during the last week of term.

CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY FESTIVE ACTIVITY

This activity is available to children in years 2 – 6 and is available on ParentPay now. The activity will take place online on Saturday 12th December and there are 3 times available. Places are offered on a first come first serve basis. Children will be issued with a small activity pack before the session but felt tips and pencils must be provided at home. If there are any issues with this please let Sara Burton know straight away on 07805929965.

SAY THANK YOU CAMPAIGN WITH YOUTH ACTIONS

We are asking children to write a thank you letter to a key worker. This will then be sent to Youth Action to distribute with a small gift as part of their 'Say Thank You'

campaign. An email with further details has been sent and the information is also on the School App. Those who are members of Blackburn Children's University can also collect a stamp in their CU passport for doing it. Please make sure your child hands in their letter and their CU passport if they have one to their teacher. The deadline is **Monday 14th December**. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact Sara Burton on 07805929965 or s.burton@wensleyfold.blackburn.sch.uk.

CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY PASSPORTS

If Blackburn CU needs to see your child's passport you should have received a text or you will receive one this week. If you receive this message, please make sure you get your child to hand it in to their class teacher.

CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY WINTER CHALLENGES

These will be emailed out in the next couple of weeks for children to complete over the holidays if they wish. Please keep an eye out for them.