



# Wensley Fold CE Primary Academy

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Dear Parent

## **CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS**

School will close next Friday 18 December at 1.30pm for the Christmas holidays and reopen on Monday 4 January 2021 at 8.45am.



## **NEW MENUS & HALAL MEAT**

The Spring menu from Dolce will be uploaded to School Grid and parents will be able to pre-order their child's meals from Monday 21 December, **however a hard copy will be emailed to all parents today so that you know what meals will be provided for the next term.** You will be able to order in advance and also up to 8.55am on the same day which is far better than the week in advance currently in place! Parents will have the option of switching between packed lunches from home or a school dinner on a day-by-day basis. There are simply no restrictions; however NO orders will be taken after this time and a packed lunch will HAVE to be provided. No excuses!

**Also can we reassure parents that ALL of our meat is Halal and has been for many years now our current supplier of Halal meat, Yaseen's butchers will continue to be the supplier from January.**

## **SCHOOL GRID**

If you have not already done so please can you register for a school grid account if you are on, or intending to be on school dinners from January. Please check your junk mail if you've not received your login details which were emailed to you all last Wednesday.

## **PARENTPAY & ONLINE LUNCH ORDERING NEW MENUS & HALAL MEAT**

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 **4.00pm today**, we are encouraging all children to have a Christmas lunch and join in the festivities. Thank you.

### **MEAL CHANGES**

Just to let parents know that on Thursday 13 December, the meal choice will be a traditional Christmas Dinner (Roast Chicken) with a Christmas themed ice cream dessert, and not Homemade Cheese and Tomato Pizza as stated on ParentPay. There will be no Jacket Potatoes or Grab Bags available on the day. Also next Wednesday & Friday will be swapped so Lasagne will be served on Wednesday and the Buffet Lunch will be served on Friday. 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](mailto: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 this 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.

### **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](http://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 5<sup>th</sup> 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 have now finished. Further details on the clubs available in January will be sent out at the start of that term.

### **LIBRARY BOOKS**

Please note that the Library will be closed from next week for the end of the term auditing process. Please can you return your children's library books by the end of this week – **Friday 11th December**.

In the meantime, your child can continue to take part in the Top 100 challenge during the holidays by borrowing the books from the Blackburn Central Library. Please pick up a leaflet from reception for more information

Thank you to all the parents and children for your support

### **CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY CRAFT PACKS**

Those who have ordered packs will be sent out this next week. If your child has not received a pack (and you have ordered one) by Thursday next week please ring Sara Burton straight away. Failure to ring Sara may mean your child misses out.

### **CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY FESTIVE ACTIVITY**

This is taking place online this Saturday. An email confirmation has been sent to those who have signed up and the link will be emailed on Friday. Children who have signed up will be issued with a small activity pack by Thursday this week. Please look out for this and make sure you have felt tips and pencils at home. If there are any issues with this please let Sara Burton know straight away on 07805929965. Please ring Sara if your child does not receive the craft pack and they have signed up.

### **SAY THANK YOU CAMPAIGN WITH YOUTH ACTION**

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 **THIS Monday 14 December**. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact Sara Burton on 07805929965 or [s.burton@wensleyfold.blackburn.sch.uk](mailto: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 later this week for children to complete over the holidays if they wish. Please keep an eye out for them.