



# Wensley Fold CE Primary Academy

"Make Each Day Count"

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Dear Parent

## **PARENTPAY & ONLINE LUNCH ORDERING**

Please can we remind parents that they have until 9.30pm **TONIGHT** (ParentPay unavailable from 10pm today), to order their child's lunches for next week. We still had 35 children who didn't receive their first choice this week as parents forgot to book.

## **SCHOOL LUNCH PATTERN CHANGE**

Revised Slips were sent home last Tuesday regarding your child's meal pattern for January. Please can these be returned as soon as possible.

## **PARENTS EVENING**

Our parent's evening is **this** Thursday - if you haven't already done so, please book your appointment(s) online by logging onto: <https://wensleyfoldce.parenteveningsystem.co.uk/> unfortunately parents will not be seen without an appointment. Thank you.

## **THURSDAY 29 NOVEMBER – NO SCHOOL CLUBS**

Please note that there will be no after school clubs THIS Thursday (29 November) due to parents evening.

## **CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCH**

The school kitchen has very kindly offered to cook a Christmas lunch for all children on Thursday 13 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 a Christmas dinner can be ordered by logging onto ParentPay and clicking on other payment items. This has to be ordered by **NEXT TUESDAY** 4 December. Thank you.

## **MEAL CHANGE**

Just to let parents know that on Thursday 13 December, the main choice will be roast chicken and on Thursday 20 December the main choice will be meat & potato pie. Unfortunately the menu can't be changed on ParentPay. Sorry for any inconvenience.

## **CHRISTMAS FAYRE**

This Friday 30 November we will be having a non-uniform day, when as in previous years we will be requesting donations for our Christmas Fayre which will be held after the Christmas performances (afternoons only). Donations can take the form of:

- Contributions to a hamper e g packets, tins, biscuits, sweets, etc
- Unused gifts
- Toiletries
- Free mot tests/car valets etc
- Baskets of fruit
- Car wash vouchers
- Takeaway vouchers
- Beauty treatment vouchers
- Meat vouchers etc

If you wish to make a donation or help in any way, please contact the school office. Please support school in raising much needed funds for school. Thank you.

In keeping with the Christmas theme can all children come dressed in anything **Christmassy or red and green clothing. They can also wear Christmas jumpers.**

## **YEAR 3 LANTERN WORKSHOP**

In preparation for a lantern parade taking place in Blackburn Town Centre on Saturday 15 December, Year 3 children will be making lanterns with an art specialist this Thursday 29 November,

## **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 by Friday 7 December.** Thank you.



## **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**.

### **DODGEBALL COMPETITION – YEARS 5 & 6**

There will be a dodgeball competition for Years 5 & 6 at St Bedes this Thursday 29 November. Children selected have received further details.

### **DODGEBALL COMPETITION – YEARS 3 & 4**

There will be a dodgeball competition for Years 3 & 4 at St Bedes on Thursday 6 December. Children selected have received further details.

### **CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY - A CHRISTMAS CAROL ACTIVITY**

For those who have signed up please remember this is taking place this Saturday. If you have any questions please ring Sara Burton on 07805929965. All children who are attending are being asked to bring donations of tinned food which we will be donated to the Food Bank.

### **LANTERN WORKSHOPS AT THE BUREAU**

Come along to a lantern making session and work with a professional lantern artist from The Blackburn Festival of Light team to create a beautiful paper and willow lantern for the Blackburn Festival of Light Lantern Parade on Saturday 15 December. This is a messy gluey activity, so please wear suitable clothing. Children must be accompanied by an adult. This is a free activity, but a donation of £3 is suggested to help cover the cost of materials.

This activity is taking place at The Bureau Centre for the Arts, BB1 6DW. Drop in anytime from 11am - 4pm, on the following days: -

- Sunday 2 December
- Sunday 9 December

If you do attend please make sure you pick up a Children's University slip so your child can collect a stamp in their Children's University passport. Please then bring the slip along with their passport to school.

### **FATHER FROST – BY THE STORY TELLER EMILY HENNESSEY**

This performance is happening on Saturday 8 December at the Bureau in Town. The performance starts at 2pm. Tickets are from £6.

Join performance storyteller, Emily Hennessey, for a wild and wonderful Winter's journey through a world of Old Peter's Russian Tales, collected by Arthur Ransome. Suitable for old and young alike but the recommended minimum age is 8+. Emily's storytelling style is said to be warm, captivating, bold and witty, delighting audiences of all ages. There is also a pre-show arts workshop from 12.30pm which costs £3 per person. To buy tickets visit <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/date/530934> or call Kerris on 07845 964802 to reserve. If you do attend please make sure you pick up a Children's University slip so your child can collect a stamp in their Children's University passport. Please then bring the slip along with their passport to school.

## **LAST WEEK OF SCHOOL CLUBS**

Please note that next week will be the last week of school clubs and they will all finish on Friday 7 December.

## **CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY PASSPORTS**

If your child is a member of Children's University and they have taken part in clubs this term please hand their passport in to the school office. Failure to do so will mean their passport will not be stamped for clubs this term. All passports WILL be given back before the end of term. Please ensure your child brings this home.

## **GET ACTIVE: DANCE FITNESS & GYMNASTICS PERFORMANCES**

The children in Years 1 and 2 who attend the lunchtime Get Active: Dance Fitness club the lunchtime Gymnastics club on a Friday will be performing in assembly a week on Friday 7 December at 1.45pm. Family and friends are welcome to come and watch this to see what they have been learning. We will put a reminder in the newsletter next week.

## **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.

## **ESOL 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.

## **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.

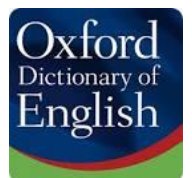
## **DICTIONARIES**

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**

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

