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"Make Each Day Count"

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Dear Parent

SCHOOL APP

OurSchoolsApp is a personalised app which allows us to keep you all updated with school information, news and calendar events as well as a link to our facebook page. The online payment system is also linked to the app and is available for IOS and Android phones. **It also contains an easy link to access online payments.**

When the app is updated with new information, including the weekly newsletter a push message notification will automatically be sent to your device to inform you.

Instructions for download

1. Using your device (iPhone, iPad, smart pad, tablet or android phone), visit the relevant market place (Apple Store or Google Play)
2. Search for '**OurSchoolsApp**' and download the app
3. Once downloaded, use the search bar within the app and enter the postcode **BB2 6LX** or **school name** and hit search.
4. Once the school name has been displayed, touch the screen on the name and confirm your choice by pressing OK.
5. You will now be presented with the correct app for Wensley Fold. Congratulations!

MEET THE TEACHER

Meet the teacher sessions will continue this week as follows:

Wednesday 15 September at 2.00pm for children in Years 5 & 6

Thursday 16 September at 2.00pm for children in Reception

Prior to the 'Meet the Teacher' sessions parents will have the opportunity to hear a presentation from Mrs Simpson about some of our priorities over the next school year.

Thank you.



BEE VISIT

On Tuesday 28 September we are being visited by [The Bee Centre](#) with a hive of bees. The hive is behind glass and very safe!

The children will have the opportunity to learn more about the importance of bees in our environment and the jobs that they do for us.

RECEPTION – YEAR 6 NASAL FLU VACCINATIONS

Information regarding the nasal flu vaccinations was sent out to parents for all children in school, last week. Please complete and return the consent forms back by Monday 20 September. Thank you.

SCHOOL DINNERS – FEEDBACK

We are encouraging parents to give feedback on the meals currently be provided whether they are good or bad comments. You can log on to your school grid account and under Food, click on review dishes and give a star rating. You can also contact SchoolGrid via emailing customercare@dolce.co.uk or by phone on [01942 707709](tel:01942707709).

MACMILLAN CAKE CHARITY

One of our families are kindly holding a charity afternoon on Thursday 23 September between 1pm- 4pm, which will be held outside on the street of Taunton road.

They will be having -

CAKE SALE

RAFFLE

TOMBOLA

All money raised will go towards Macmillan Cancer Research.

Any donations welcome, please email - Aishahsaraeccles@yahoo.co.uk

UP TO DATE CONTACT NUMBERS & PARENTMAIL

Please can parents make sure that the school office has all up to date contact numbers, particularly mobile numbers, changes to email addresses and any change of postal address has been notified. If you have downloaded the Parent Mail app then you will **need to update your numbers/email addresses yourselves**, failure to do this will mean you will not receive any texts or emails from school Thank you.

ALLERGIES

If your child has an allergy that has been diagnosed by your doctor with a GP letter to support and requires medication to be administered in school, then we must stress that it has to be prescribed and must be clearly labelled with your child's name and dosage required. You will also need to complete a medicine form available from the main office and the school nurse will write a care plan for school. We are not allowed to administer any 'over the counter' medicine. If your child does have an allergy that requires prescribed medication or a food allergy, please notify the school office. Thank you. Please note that

there are a number of children in school with serious nut allergies, so please can parents **not** send any nuts or nut based products into school. Thank you.

INHALERS

If your child had an inhaler in school from the last school year then a new asthma card will need to be completed. If your child has recently been diagnosed as asthmatic, then it is vital that we have a spare inhaler in school and that you collect a School Asthma Card from the office. The asthma card will need to be signed by the GP's surgery to be authorised for use in school. **Inhalers without a card cannot be used in school.** Please ring school if you have any questions. It is vital that school are notified of any changes in your child's medication for asthma throughout the year.

JEWELLERY & HEADWEAR

Please can we remind parents that jewellery, including earrings, is not allowed in school and will be removed. Girls may only wear plain blue bobbles and headbands and long hair must be tied back. Thank you.

LABELLING OF CLOTHES

We cannot stress how crucial it is to ensure that **ALL** clothes and belongings are clearly labelled. This is particularly important when it comes to PE kit and detachable hoods. It can be very distressing for children if they mislay items of their school uniform. A lot of belongings including glasses were donated to a local charity shop as they were not labelled or claimed. Overall it will cost you a great deal more in replacing the items, so please, please **LABEL THEM!!** Thank you.

RECEPTION

For their new Music Wall in the Forest, Reception classes are looking for donations of metal pans, metal spoons and metal baking tins. All donations would be much appreciated. Thank you.

MORRISONS – GROW TOKENS

We would love parents to collect the Grow Tokens which Morrison's are currently giving away so that we can get free gardening equipment for our garden and outdoor area. Please can you send them into school if you collect any.

SWIMMING – YEAR 4

Swimming lessons for all Year 4 children will start this Friday 17 September; please can all parents ensure their child has a swimming kit. All children are now required to wear a swimming cap. Thank you.

SCHOOL LUNCHES

Please can you book your school lunches if you have not already done so. All new parents have received their school grid log in to enable them to book lunches. Thank you.

BREAKFAST CLUB

Parents do not need to book in for Breakfast club any longer; however infant children must be signed in by a parent. Breakfast club opens at 8am and the cost is £1.50 per day and must be paid in advance on ParentPay. Thank you.

PRIMARY SCHOOL ADMISSIONS 2022

If your child's 5th birthday is between 1 September 2022 and 31 August 2023 you need to make arrangements **NOW** for admission in September 2022. You must now apply using the online application at www.blackburn.gov.uk/admissions. The closing date for the applications is **15 January 2022**.

SECONDARY ADMISSIONS 2022

Parent of children in Year 6 must now apply for their child's secondary school for September 2022 using the online application at www.blackburn.gov.uk/admissions The closing date for the applications is **31 October 2021**.

SUMMER HOLIDAY CHALLENGES

If your child has completed any of the Children's University Summer Holiday Challenges please do ensure you send the evidence to Sara via email on s.burton@wensleyfold.blackburn.sch.uk or 07805929965. Your child then needs to hand in their children's university passport to school for it to be updated. All challenges must be completed by THIS Friday 17th September.

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

If your child has taken part in the Summer Reading Challenge at Blackburn Library and they have received their certificate do not forget that they can collect 6 hours for Children's University if they are a member. Please send their certificate into school with their CU passport so it can be updated. There is still time to complete the reading challenge as the deadline is 30th September.

SCHOOL CLUBS

All clubs start this week. Please note if your child has signed up for a sports club you must make sure they come to school in their PE kit on the day of the club as well.

CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY – NEW MEMBERS

Please look out over the next few weeks for further information on how to sign your child up to Blackburn Children's University if they are not already a member (years 1 – 6).