



# Wensley Fold CE Primary Academy

"Make Each Day Count"

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Dear Parent

## **PARENTS' EVENING**

Our parents' evening for all children in Years 2B and 4B is taking place this **Thursday 2 December**. Appointment times will be strictly limited to 5mins long and teachers will be using timers to help keep to the schedule.

We are asking only one parent attends in order to keep numbers as low as possible and for **ALL** parents to wear a face covering on entering the building. Please also follow the expectations below:

- Take an LFT before you attend
- Do not come if you have any COVID-19 symptoms or feel generally unwell
- Do not to come if someone in your household is a confirmed Covid19 case in the past 10 days (before the date of the event).
- Adhere to social distancing
- Frequently use hand sanitiser around the building

## **PACKED LUNCHES FOR TRIPS**

In light of a new law that has been passed, 'Natasha's Law', all allergens have to be reported at the time of ordering, as a result all packed lunches from school for school trips will involve parents completing a form stating what allergens their child has and the ingredients of the packed lunches identified to them. We will only be allowed to provide a packed lunch for your child if we have received this information, if it's not received then parents will have to provide a packed lunch from home even if they're entitled to free school meals.

## **YEAR 2 TRIP – SKIPTON CASTLE**

All parents of Year 2 children will have received the form above today by email for completion if they require a packed lunch from school, this has to be completed by

tomorrow or a packed lunch from home will be required. Can all remaining payments and consent be made on ParentPay before Friday. Thank you.

### **CAROL SERVICE AT ST SILAS CHURCH**

Please note the Carol Service at St Silas Church on Friday 17 December at 10.30am and not 9.30am, as stated in previous newsletter.

### **CHRISTMAS FAYRE – MONDAY 13 DECEMBER**

Please note we will be holding our annual Christmas Fayre for one day only this year – Monday 13 December, after school.

Thank you very much to all those parents who have sent in contributions for our fund raising event, it is greatly appreciated. It is still not too late to keep sending things in, the more we have the more money we will raise, so please if you have not sent anything in dig deep through your drawers and cupboards. **A special request for unused toiletries, gift sets, and any used, clean toys and teddies.** Thank you.

### **CHRISTMAS CARDS/BAUBLES**

At this time of year many of our children very kindly send staff Christmas cards to wish us a Merry Christmas. As in previous years, we are proposing that rather than send cards the children can write their name or a message on a bauble which can be purchased for £1 from Year 4 at playtime. They can be decorated at playtime or at home, and will then be hung on the special tree in the main entrance after Wednesday 1 December. This will not only help with our charity but also the environment!



All proceeds will go to our nominated charity, Stepping Stone Projects. Thank you.

### **CHRISTMAS PLAYS & CONCERTS**

We look forward to welcoming family and friends to the children's Christmas productions which will be taking place week commencing 13 December. The days and times can be found below.

Monday 13 December	Year 2 Performance & Reception Nativity at 2.00pm
Tuesday 14 December	Year 2 Performance & Reception Nativity at 9.30am
Tuesday 14 December	Year 4 Play at 2.00pm
Wednesday 15 December	Year 4 Play at 9.30am

Please can we stress that for Health & Safety reasons admission will be by **ticket only which are available now from the main office at a cost of £1.50.** Can we also remind everyone to be prompt and in their seats 10 minutes before the start of the performance - latecomers **WILL NOT** be admitted. Parents with younger children are

encouraged to attend the morning performances and all prams must be left in the front entrance of the space building. Thank you.

### **RECEPTION NATIVITY COSTUMES**

As mentioned on Seesaw, please can parents send in a white t-shirt and white leggings/light grey joggers for their child by next Friday 10 December. Thank you.

### **CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCH**

Just to let parents know that on Thursday 9 December, the meal choice will be a traditional Christmas Dinner (Roast Chicken) with a Christmas themed ice cream dessert. There will be no Jacket Potatoes available on that day. If your child is not normally on school dinners and wishes to have the Christmas Dinner, please order on School Grid by this **Friday 3 December**, **no further orders will be taken after this date as you can understand for ordering purposes**. Thank you

### **PARENTS' INVITE – THURSDAY ACHIEVEMENT ASSEMBLY**

As mentioned in last week's newsletter, if your child has won the Star of the Week award, you will be invited to the assembly this Thursday to celebrate your child's achievement. Parents will be notified by email the day before, by 2pm so please keep a look out. If you are invited, you must be here by 11.25am or you will not be admitted. Thank you.

### **ACHIEVEMENT ASSEMBLY AWARDS – THURSDAY 25 NOVEMBER**

Class of the week	-	2W
KS1 Woman of the Match	-	Mehreen Shazad (2B)
KS2 Man of the Match	-	Mu'ayyad Al- Husseini (4B)
KS1 Empty Plate/Healthy Lunchbox	-	Isabelle Bracewell (1M)
KS2 Empty Plate/Healthy Lunchbox	-	Afiya Ashiq (5M)

### **ENGLISH CLASSES**

We are running English classes in school on Monday afternoons from 1pm-3pm where you will learn English – improve your speaking, listening, reading and writing skills. However, we do require a minimum of 6 parents for the classes to take place. Please inform Miss Abdul if you are interested.

### **YEARS 5 & 6 GROWING UP TALK**

Years 5 and 6 children will be covering a number of issues around 'Growing Up' including puberty and personal hygiene on Thursday 2 December. If parents require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact school. Thank you.

### **OPEN DAY FOR NEW PARENTS**

This will be taking place this Friday 3 December at 9.30am for all the parents that have already booked in with the school office. No pushchairs or children. Thank you.

## **YEAR 5 LANTERN WORKSHOP**

In preparation for a lantern parade taking place in Blackburn Town Centre on Saturday 18 December, Year 5 children will now be making lanterns with an art specialist next Tuesday 7 December, not tomorrow as stated in last week's newsletter.

## **STONE AGE WORKSHOP**

As part of their History topic, Year 3 will be working with a production company in school taking part in a re-enactment of the Stone Age on Wednesday 8 December. The cost of the visit is £5. Please pay on ParentPay by this Friday 3 December. Thank you.

## **YEAR 2 VISIT TO SKIPTON CASTLE**

As part of their History topic on castles, Year 2 will be visiting Skipton Castle on Wednesday 8 December. Children should wear their school uniform. A waterproof coat may be required depending on the weather. Please can all monies be paid online and consent forms completed on ParentPay by this Friday 3 December. **A packed lunch will be provided by school, however if you wish to bring one from home please indicate this on the consent form on ParentPay.** Children will be asked the day before which filling they want on their sandwich. Thank you.

## **DODGEBALL COMPETITION**

There will be a dodgeball competition at QEGS playing fields, Lammack Road next Wednesday 8 December. Children selected for the team will receive further details.

## **NETBALL MATCH**

There will be a netball match at Blackburn Rovers Indoor Centre next Wednesday 8 December. Children selected for the team will receive further details.

## **SNOW WHITE & THE SEVEN DWARFS – PANTOMIME**

Once again this year we have arranged for all the children to visit King Georges Hall to watch a production of 'Snow White & The Seven Dwarfs' at a greatly reduced price of just £8.50 (the normal price would be £16) on Wednesday 15 December at 1.15pm. The visit is for all children from Reception to Year 6. Please make the payment online on ParentPay by Friday 10 December. 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. If you email [bursar@wensleyfold.blackburn.sch.uk](mailto:bursar@wensleyfold.blackburn.sch.uk) I will collate all the feedback and pass directly on to our area manager therefore ensuring that the feedback gets through to the right department.

## **100 BOOKS READING CHALLENGE**

If you would like to sign up for the 100 books reading challenge, registration forms are available from Mr Desai in the school library. Please note the library is open to all year groups on Monday - Friday from 3.10pm - 3.30pm



All children in KS2 can also change their books during Golden Time on Friday.

### **RECEPTION FUND**

If you haven't already done so, please can parents of children in Reception pay £10 for the Autumn term or £30 for the whole year, at the school office. 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 online 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](http://www.blackburn.gov.uk/admissions). The closing date for the applications is **15 January 2022**.

### **CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY ACTIVITY – SATURDAY 11 DECEMBER**

Those who have signed up should have received a confirmation email last week which includes an online consent form which **MUST** be completed. The deadline to complete the form is today, Tuesday 30 November. Failure to complete this online form will mean your child cannot attend.

### **SCHOOL CLUBS**

Please note this week is the final week of clubs for this term. All clubs will finish on Friday 3 December. Details on the clubs available for next term will be sent out in January.

### **CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY PASSPORTS**

If your child has attended a school club this term and they are a member of Blackburn Children's University, please ensure you hand their Children's University passport in to school by next Thursday 9 December. Failure to hand their passport in will mean they will lose the hours they have done this term. All passports will be returned before the end of this term so please ensure you look out for it.

### **CRICKET**

There are a few places available for children in Years 3-6 to attend the free of charge Chance to Shine weekly cricket sessions at Wensley Fold School on Saturdays (5:00-5:45).

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