



Wardley CE Primary School

'With God's love we enjoy and excel'

Newsletter

Autumn Term Dates

DECEMBER

- 11.12.23: Infant/EYFS Christmas party.
- 13.12.23: Junior Christmas party.
- 14.12.23: Y4 Ukulele Concert: 9am in the school hall.
- 15.12.23: Christmas Panto in school.
- 15.12.23: School closes for Christmas at 3.15pm.
- JANUARY** 03.01.24: Back to school on Wednesday 3rd January.

08.12.2023

It has been a very festive week in school! The classes all put on their Christmas shows, and the children certainly rose to the occasion! They should all be very proud of their achievements and we had lots of lovely comments about how well they did. We would like to say a big thank you for all your support for these events. It was fantastic to see so many people attending them, and I am sure that everyone who came will agree that the children did a wonderful job in putting us in the festive mood. Today, we all enjoyed Christmas jumper day and our Christmas lunch. Thank you for all your support for this fundraising event for Save The Children. Next week will see more Christmas events with all of our Christmas parties and the panto taking place. More details about these and their times and dates can be found in this newsletter. As well as all of our festive events, we also have our Christmas raffle and end of term attendance prize draws to look forwards to!

In the classroom this week

Y6 enjoyed a WWII day on Tuesday where historian Richard White came into school for a whole day's workshop. The children got to handle many artefacts including riffles, pistols, bullets, incendiary bombs, helmets, uniforms, medals, money, shrapnel, ration books and identity cards. They also got to see what an evacuee would pack with them, foods they ate during rationing and propaganda posters. The fun really began when they participated in a first aid course where they bandaged each other up and carried each other on stretchers. Take a look on our website to see all the fun.

Weekly updates.... Attendance Prize Draws Each week we have a prize draw for all the children with 100% attendance and arriving for school on time that week to win a £5 toy voucher. On the last day of term, there will be a special prize draw for all the children with 96% or better attendance and arriving for school on time over the term with a £20 toy voucher as one prize and a £50 family food voucher as another. Finally, in the build-up to Christmas, all those children with 100% attendance over the last two weeks of term will have their names put into our 'Ten Days of Christmas' draw. This has two £20 Vue Cinema vouchers as its prizes.

Parent Survey Results

We are very pleased to be able to share with you the results from the online parent survey which we ran after the autumn term parents' evening meetings. We had 70 parents & carers taking part in this, which was a fantastic response rate. The replies were overwhelmingly positive – with a 100% saying that they would recommend this school to another parent. In total, there were 14 questions, and the vast majority of the responses to each one was that parents and carers either agreed or strongly agreed with the statements. We are analysing all the responses very carefully and considering what actions we need to take to address any areas needing improvement. We would urge any parents or carers who feel that they do have concerns with any aspect of school life to get in touch with us, so we can work together to try and resolve them. The results of the survey will be posted on the school website.

Hand Washing

As we go into winter, common illnesses can keep children away from their classmates and lessons. One of the best things we can all do to avoid illness is to practice good hand hygiene.

Good hand hygiene helps stop infections from spreading, which means less disrupted learning time. Teach your child to wash hands properly for 20 seconds and stay away from others when sick. The e-bug resources for all ages can help you to explain and discuss hygiene habits – and why they are important - to your child.

To avoid catching bugs or passing it on to others wash your hands frequently and thoroughly with soap and warm water. This is most important following an episode of diarrhoea or vomiting, after using the toilet, before eating or preparing food, after changing nappies, as well as cleaning up vomit or diarrhoea. Alcohol-based hand sanitisers are not effective against some infections.

Anyone who has diarrhoea and/or vomiting should stay at home. Do not return to work or send children to school until 48 hours after the symptoms have stopped and do not visit your GP or hospital while symptomatic. If you are concerned about your symptoms, talk to your GP by phone, contact NHS 111 or visit the NHS web pages. For useful handwashing tips please have a look at the following NHS video

Sporting News

Our school netball team took part in a competition against other Salford Primary Schools. They played really well and won one of their matches. Well done to all the children who were part of the team - they were all brilliant and can feel very proud of their achievements. Also, a big thank you to our netball team coach, Mr D. Foster, who gives up his time to coach the children and organise the matches.

Christmas Activities

Christmas Parties – EYFS/KS1 on Monday 11.12.23 and KS2 on Wednesday 13.12.23.

The children can come to school dressed in their party clothes on their class party day. Each class will have time in the hall to play party games and then complete Christmas activities in class whilst watching a Christmas film with some party food. We are asking for a contribution of a £1 per child towards the cost of the party food and prizes which will be payable online.

PE Lessons in the Last Week

With the Christmas parties and other Christmas events taking place in the last week, there are going to be no class PE lessons. This means that the children do not need to come to school in their PE clothes on their class PE days. They should come in their school uniform. The Y4 class will still be going swimming and they should bring their swimming kit in as usual.

Panto – Friday 15.12.23.

Our annual Christmas panto this year by the Lada Theatre Group will be Sleeping Beauty. It will be watched by all the classes from Reception to Y6. We are asking for a contribution of a £4 per child towards the cost of the panto which will be payable online.

Last Day of Term – Friday 15.12.23

The children should come to school in their school uniform. The children will be watching a Christmas DVD and completing special Christmas activities in their classrooms.

Reminders from the office

- Please ensure all club fees and dinner money owed is paid by Monday 11 December
- Raffle tickets can still be purchased on the School Spider App until 2pm on Monday 11 December

Our Christian values and thoughtful time**Collective Worship Theme**

Our collective worship theme over the next two weeks is going to be the Christmas story and looking at the real message of Christmas with the children.