

Walkergate Community School

Newsletter 17.11.17



Date for your diary—school will be closed on Monday 20th November for staff training.

NUFC ticket Winners - 100% attendance Winners Congratulations to Shara McDonald Y6 and Layton Moore Y4 who have both won a pair of tickets for the Newcastle Vs Manchester City game at St James Park in the Christmas holidays. We have 2 more pairs of tickets to be won for the Brighton & Hove Albion game on the 30th December. We will do the draw during the last week of term. All children with 100% attendance since half term will be in the draw.

Bike sheds—It has been brought to our attention that there are a number of bikes and scooters in the sheds which are never picked up at the end of the day and have been there for a number of weeks. Can you please claim any bikes or scooters which belong to your children by the end of term. Any that are left at the end of term will be removed and got rid of.
We have a similar problem with packed lunch bags so please ensure your child claims any which they have left.

Dinner debt - As we are now an Academy we have regular visits from Government auditors. They have advised us that we should not have any dinner money debt. Therefore from the 1st April 2018, if you have dinner money debt greater than £10, your child will be unable to have a school dinner.

Children in Need - Thank you so much for all the kind donations. We will let you know next week how much we have raised. A few parents have asked why the children are not in fancy dress or non uniform today. we try to limit the number of times in the year when we do this, because many parents have fed back to us that they find this a stressful and expensive time of the year and it puts extra pressure on them when we have non-uniform days.

Y6 Residential - thank you very much for all the feedback we have received from Y5 parents. It has been very helpful. We are now busy looking for a residential trip that would fit with what the majority of parents have requested and we will get back to you as soon as possible with details and prices.

Packed Lunches

We cannot have any products containing nuts in school as it will cause problems for children with nut allergies. Please do not put any Snickers, Nutella products or anything containing nuts in your child's packed lunch.

This week's attendance winners are:

Rec- RY- 97.3%
KS1- 1A- 99.3%
KS2- 4A- 98.5%

Whole school attendance is

95.3%



Reminder

Please can parents pay dinner money in advance on a Monday. Also, please remember that if your dinner debt is over £20 your child will not be able to have lunch in the school hall.

What's On

Monday 20th November: Teacher Training Day

Tuesday 21st November - 4F bike ability Day

Thursday 23rd November - 4A bike ability day

Pm - Y1 Woods visit

Friday 24th November - 4M bike ability day
5H South Shields trip

Week beginning 27th November is Arts week

Tuesday 5th December - KS2 Carol service at Walker Dome. Time TBC

Wednesday 13th December
Christmas Dinner day & Christmas jumper day

Breakfast Club

If any parents would like to volunteer to help at our very popular morning breakfast club please can you speak to Mrs Young or Mrs Stock.

Coats and Jumpers Please ensure that you put names in children's coats and jumpers. There are lots of children with similar coats for the winter.

Sports News

Well done to our Basketball team for a wonderful performance on Tuesday night, we are delighted that so many children participate in a range of sports at Walkergate.

Our amazing Year 5 and 6 football team played The RGS on Friday at Benfield. The game was end to end and fabulous to watch. Unfortunately, we lost 2-0 but this was not a reflection on the game. Thank you to all the parents for the support. You all encouraged the team, which really helps the children work that little bit harder!

Don't forget every Friday is smoothie bike, please bring in 50 p for a delicious smoothie.