



What's On at West

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This Week in School

Twitter: We are now trending on Twitter – follow us ... @prudhoe_west.



Pantomime: Our children enjoyed a thoroughly magical experience on Tuesday afternoon. The show was brilliant and our children behaved perfectly – as always! Thank you to all parents who supported this trip financially and to all of you who helped on the day. If you were not selected to be a parent helper this year, your name will automatically be added to our list for next year. Thank you also for all the positive comments from parents sent by email and passed on in person – we always appreciate your feedback. We are already booked up for the next pantomime, Goldilocks and the Three Bears. Further details to follow.

Basketball: There are six seats remaining on the parents' bus for the basketball. Please contact the school office if you would like to book.

Christmas Lunch: Wednesday 6th December 2017. Reception and KS1 children (Years 1 and 2) will receive a free lunch as usual. For children in KS2 (Years 3 and 4): if they regularly stay for school lunch please send lunch money in as normal. If your child usually brings a packed lunch but would like a Christmas lunch on this day; please send £2.00 to school no later than tomorrow, Friday 1st December 2017 in a **named envelope and marked Christmas Lunch**. The menu will be: *traditional Christmas lunch with roast turkey or quorn fillet. Dessert will be trifle or Christmas muffin.*

Parents of children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2: If you know your child will not eat the Christmas Dinner described above, please inform the school office by **Friday 1st December 2017**, so an alternative (sandwich with crisps) can be prepared for them.

Year 3 Meeting for Gibside Residential Trip: Thank you to those parents who attended this meeting last week. Following the meeting, if parents would like their child to go on the visit a deposit will now be payable. This deposit of £20 is due by Friday 8th December 2017. The total cost of this trip is £65; please contact the school office if you would like your child to go to Gibside but you may have a problem paying this amount. **Children who qualify for Pupil Premium Funding will have this visit discounted by £30, making the total cost £35.**

Coming Up:

Baby and Toddler Group at Prudhoe West: We are looking at the possibility of running a baby and toddler group here in school at 9.00am after school drop off which will be open to all. We would love to hear your ideas about what groups you would like and which days of the week would be preferred. Please email any ideas and interest to prudhoe@wiseacademies.co.uk

Pyjama/Non Uniform Day/Cinema Night: Thursday 7th December 2017. The film to be screened is 'The Santa Clause'. Children are invited to come to school on that day wearing onesies/pyjamas or non-uniform in return for a contribution to the PTA Christmas raffle. Years 2, 3 and 4: we are asking for donations of items suitable for a Christmas hamper; eg bottle of wine/spirits; box of chocolates/mince pies/biscuits etc. We would be grateful if children in Nursery, Reception and Year 1 would bring in sweets suitable for raffle prizes please. Cinema Night will begin straight after school – children will enjoy a drink, snack and receive a special gift. Popcorn will also be for sale for £1.00. Entry costs £5.00 per child; please send the money to school in order to add your child's name to the list. This event is for Prudhoe West children only (including nursery) and they will be supervised by school staff and PTA volunteers. The finishing time will be 5.15pm and the children will exit school at this time from their usual classroom exit points.

Photographs: Orders will be collected from school tomorrow, Friday 1st December 2017 between 8.00am - 4.00pm. As we cannot be sure what time they will be picked up; we advise all parents to make sure their orders are in school for **today, Thursday 30th November 2017.**

Christmas Performances: Parents are once again being encouraged to book online for tickets for the Christmas performances. We are using the same system we use to book appointments for Parents' Evening. Each child will be allocated 6 tickets (2 more than in previous years due to lower pupil numbers) which parents can use across the performances as they wish. Please note: we ask that where parents are separated, where possible they co-ordinate between themselves the distribution of their child's tickets. If this is not possible, please contact the office as soon as possible so we know to split the child's tickets between parents.

There will be two casts for the main parts and these may not correspond directly to your child's class. If your child is given a main part, please check the performance they will be in prior to booking tickets.

Nursery A children: These children are those who attend nursery on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday am. Their performance will be on the **morning** of Wednesday 13th December 2017.

Nursery B children: These are the children who attend Wednesday pm, all day Thursday and Friday. Their performance will be on the **afternoon** of Wednesday 13th December.

Children who attend nursery all week will be in both performances so parents may choose to split their ticket allocation across both performances.

The booking system is now open for all parents and carers; most people seem to be able to book successfully after a few minor glitches. Please contact the school office if you are still having problems accessing the site.

Christmas Performances 2017	9.15 – 10.15am	1.30 – 2.30pm
Tuesday 12 th December	Classes 1,3,5,6,7,8,9,10	Classes 2,4,5,6,7,8,9,10
Wednesday 13 th December	Nur A (children who attend at the beginning of the week),4,5,6,7,8,9,10	Nur B (children who attend at the end of the week),3,5,6,7,8,9,10
Thursday 14 th December	Classes 2,3,5,6,7,8,9,10	Classes 1,4,5,6,7,8,9,10

Carol Services at Church: As there is now a new vicar at St Mary Magdalene church, we have had to reschedule our carol services from Tuesday 19th December to **Wednesday 20th December 2017.**

Years 1 & 2: 9.15 – 10.15am. Years 3 & 4: 2.00 – 3.00pm

Christmas Party Day Years 1-4 Thursday 21 December 2017: As we did last year - rather than the children having their normal school lunch followed by a party tea, school lunch on this day will be served 'tea party style'. There will be a range of savoury and sweet items for the children to enjoy. If any children who would normally have packed lunch would like to enjoy the food provided by school instead on this day, please send £2.00 to the school office in a **named envelope** and marked **Party Lunch** by no later than **Friday 15th December 2017.**

Nursery and Reception Part Day Wednesday 20 December 2017: parents should have already received a letter regarding the arrangements for their child's Christmas party.

Congratulations to Class 6 who had 99.64% attendance last week.										
Well done to all the classes who achieved our 95% target.										
Last week our overall attendance was 95.9%.										
Please make every effort to ensure your child gets to school each day to help us improve even more.										
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
% Attendance	95.42	93.91	95	91.82	94.64	99.64	97.04	95.56	99.2	96.92
Poor punctuality means your child misses valuable learning time and that lessons are disrupted for all other pupils.										

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School Meals Menu
 Next week will be the
Week 3 Menu.
 Please see the school website for more details

December 2017	
Wed 6 th	Christmas Lunch
Thurs 7 th	3.00 - 5.30pm PTA Cinema Night
Tues 12 th	9.15 -10.15am Christmas Show - Classes 1,3,5,6,7,8,9,10 1.30 – 2.30pm Christmas Show - Class 2,4,5,6,7,8,9,10
Wed 13 th	9.15 -10.15am Christmas Show - Classes Nur A,4,5,6,7,8,9,10 1.30 – 2.30pm Christmas Show - Class Nur B,3,5,6,7,8,9,10
Thurs 14 th	9.15 -10.15am Christmas Show Class 2,3,5,6,7,8,9,10 1.30 – 2.30pm Christmas Show Class 1,4,5,6,7,8,9,10
Wed 20 th	9.15 -10.15am Carol Service 1
	2.00 – 3.00pm Carol Service 2
	EYFS (Nursery and Reception) Party Day
Thurs 21 st	Christmas Party Day Years 1, 2, 3, 4
Fri 22 nd	School closes for Christmas / New Year
January 2018	
Mon 8 th	School Reopens

Vacancies

We are looking to appoint Lunchtime Care Assistant as soon as possible.

This is a permanent Term Time appointment for 5.41 hours per week (12:00 p.m. – 1:05 p.m. daily). WISE Academies is a living wage employer - current hourly rate £8.45 pro rata (non-contractual)

We will consider applications for working 5 days or less.

The mission of WISE Academies is to provide a high quality educational community which offers life changing opportunities in a safe, creative and exciting environment. All are valued and inspired to flourish and grow as individuals. WISE Academies set high expectations for staff and students in order to meet our mission and raise standards.

Lunch time supervision offers an ideal opportunity for you to begin working with children in both a formal and informal setting, supporting their social and physical development. This work entails supervising the children during their lunchtime whilst eating their lunch, during play which includes outdoor supervision and to ensure the well-being and safety of pupils, in line with the academy's policies and procedures.

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For an expression of interest form and further details, please contact Recruitment Team, WISE Academies Head Office, Borodin Avenue, Sunderland SR5 4NX, telephone 0191 5536996 Ex 4 or e-mail recruitment@wiseacademies.co.uk to whom completed applications must be returned.

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