

WEST ASHTON



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## Newsletter

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### Message from Mrs Huxham

Another busy week here at West Ashton!

I have shown round several prospective families for September 2018 and they were all impressed with our school and the family atmosphere it portrays.

We are now in the full swing of Christmas preparations and we know how this can be difficult for some children and we appreciate your support at this busy time.



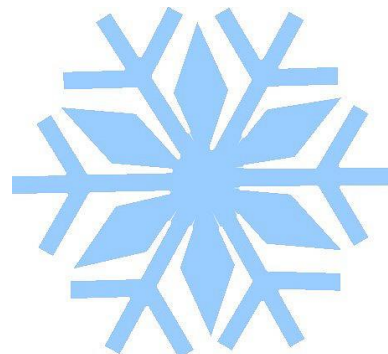
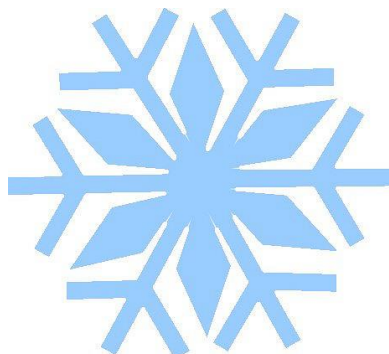
I am really proud of how the children have taken on board the work we have been doing with regard to how we behave in school. We can see a great improvement in their manners, their presentation of themselves and this has then reflected in the presentation of their work – well done children and well done parents for supporting us in this.

BE POLITE  
say hello  
offer to help  
hold the door  
**SMILE**  
PAY A COMPLIMENT  
use "please" & "thank you"

Please also remember that my door is always open and I am usually out on the playground in the mornings if you have any worries or concerns, or good news to share.

Wrap up warm and have a good weekend!

Debby Huxham





## Poppy Appeal

We received a telephone call to say that along with our donations, West Ashton Village raised £215.76 towards this year's Poppy Appeal. Many thanks to all those that made a contribution.

## Harvest Festival

We have also received a letter from the church to say thank you to all those that contributed produce to the School Harvest Festival. The charity this year was Macmillan Cancer Support and the total raised from the sale of the produce at the Harvest Lunch was £306.61. Again many thanks to all those that contributed.

## Donation Day Event – Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December

Parents and carers are invited to come to school at **2pm** when children and their families will be able to wrap parcels containing the donations that have been made for the event that Wiltshire Council and Dorset & Wiltshire Fire and Rescue host on Christmas Day. After the presents have been wrapped, the children and families will enjoy the film 'The Snowman' together, whilst enjoying a cup of hot chocolate provided by FOWA. The Wiltshire Times will be coming along to photograph our event and we are looking forward to helping towards making someone's Christmas a little better this year. If you have any queries regarding what sort of present to donate, please see Mrs Gilroy.

## Non-Uniform Day – Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December

We are also making this a non-uniform day and instead of bringing in a £1.00 contribution, we are asking that you bring in items towards the food bank, e.g. tins, non-perishable food items etc. A box will be in Reception for you to put your items in for the food bank.

## Christingle Service

The children have been busy learning about Christingle with our Governor Jean Covington and it would be lovely to see as many of our children as possible at the Christingle Service on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December at 4.00pm.

## Certificates

The certificates given in today's Celebration Assembly were as follows:

**Class Certificates** – w/e 01/12/2017 Lilli Morris, Isaac Shore, Olivia Locke

**Good Work Certificates** – w/e 01/12/2017 Paddy Rooney, Rose Stower-Draper, Larry McCarthy

**Kindness Certificates** – w/e 01/12/2017 Isabel Heywood, Amelia Davis, Lily Gooderson

We also gave out 4 ½ way to bronze house point certificates, 30 bronze house point badges and 7 silver house point badges.

A big well done to all these children.

## Key Dates:

- Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December – Christingle Service – St John's Church
- Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December – YR2 & YR3 Recorder & Cello Assembly 9.00am
- Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December – Non-Uniform Day – Donations for the Food Bank
- Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December – Donation Event Day – Wrapping donated Presents for the Christmas Day Event 2.00pm
- Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Jumper Day/Christmas Meal
- Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Pyjama Party 5.00pm
- Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December – Nativity Play 2.00pm
- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December – Nativity Play 6.00pm
- Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December – Carol Service 9.30am- St John's Church

