



West Wycombe Combined School

Newsletter

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Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents & Carers,

Thank you for your patience and support with the closing of the school last week. It is never an easy decision to make but we prioritise putting the children, staff and families' safety first. Thank you to the parents who offered to help prepare the school site when it was covered in ice. The Y5 school trip to Warwick Castle and the Image Theatre morning are being rescheduled.

This week has been a super week, albeit busy. The Reception and KS1 children did an incredible job at their Fairyland Nativity play. A big thank you to them, the staff and the parents for supporting the play, providing such fantastic costumes and taking part in our final 12 days of Christmas song!

We also had a wonderful KS2 carol concert at St Paul's church. It really blew me away! The children made us very proud and did a superb job of making us feel ready for Christmas. Thank you to the PTA and the staff for their support with this.. especially Mrs Sutton for organizing such a fantastic evening. I would also like to thank the church for accommodating a last minute change in venue to the 'winter church', as a result of the weather. The setting was beautiful and their support is very much appreciated.

This has been my first Christmas as West Wycombe and it has been remarkable. The community spirit and the warmth of the village are truly magical. I feel incredibly lucky to be part of a school which is supported so positively by such a close-knit village. It has definitely filled me with Christmas spirit!

Lastly, we hope you all have a wonderful Christmas and enjoy your Christmas holidays. School will be open at 8.30am on January 4th so we will look forward to seeing you all then.

Best (Christmas) wishes,

Ms A Preston
Headteacher



Breakfast Club/ Wrap Around Care

Don't forget to book your places at our new **breakfast club, which is starting on January 4th with Premier Sports. The breakfast club will be available from 7.30am to 8.30am Monday to Thursday.** The cost for each morning will be £4.25 and Premier will have fun activities available along with quieter activities on offer each morning. You can book by visiting:

HOW TO BOOK

Step 1 - Visit at www.premier-education.com and click enrol your child

Step 2 - Search West Wycombe in the Venue box

Step 3 - Select the Start Active club and select your dates (you can book block weeks, days or even a specific date)

Step 4 - Confirm booking (£4.25 per morning) and you will receive confirmation via email



New Vision

We have been working hard on developing our new vision for the school moving forward. In doing so, we have gathered views from the staff, parents, Governors and children to ensure all stakeholders are involved. Thank you to everyone who contributed to this. I hope you will be pleased with the direction we are going in, moving forward.

You will receive the new vision and the vision contributions document with this newsletter, which will show you some examples of the feedback we received. We will be holding an official vision launch day in January to celebrate and embed the new vision.

More information to follow.....

"Nurturing Potential, Inspiring Minds, Excellence for All"

Our New Values:

- We do our best and aim high (ambition)
- We respect each other (respect)
- We are honest (honesty)
- We are kind to everyone & ourselves (kindness)
- We are positive and look for the best in each other (positivity)
- We are happy (happiness)



Safeguarding

BBC launches Own It website

The BBC has launched Own It, a website for 9 to 12 year olds to help them maximise opportunities in the digital world as well as helping them to develop the confidence and resilience to tackle the everyday challenges they face online. The site includes quick links to charities and organisations including Childline to provide urgent support should children need it.

Further information: <https://www.bbc.com/ownit>



Headteacher's Breakfast

Well done to the following children who were selected for the Headteacher's breakfast on Monday!

Reception – Adam

Year 1 – Charlie & Alice

Year 2 – Kuba & Aaraathanaa

Year 3 – Yusef & Humayra

Year 4 – Riley & Nusayba

Year 5 – Jayden & Rosie

Year 6 – Simeon & Julia



Dates for your diary

Spring Term

3 rd January 2018	INSET day
4th January	Children return to school
8 th January	Y4 Swimming begins
8 th February	Y5 trip to Warwick Castle
20 th February	Whole School Image Theatre – Robin Hood

6th March 3.30-7.30pm Parents consultations

7th March 3.30-5.30pm Parents consultations



Attendance Competition


Year 4 are our attendance heroes! Well done children!

Well done to those children who have also managed to raise their attendance this year. **We have a number of children who have achieved 100% attendance this year so far:**

**Sebastian, Izzy M,
Tyler, Elise,
Molly, Faduma,
Matthew, Seth,
Isabelle W, Thom,
Hollie, Imogen,
Emily, Niamh,
James W, Maida,
Joel, James C,
Riley D, Ibraheem,
Elias P, Isaac P,
Sufyaan, Farley,
Scarlett, Ellie,
Logan, Lily B,
Jack H, Ethan,
Lily W.**

Attendance

for the term so far!

Reception – 94.78 % 

Year 1- 91.98 %

Year 2- 94.31 %

Year 3- 93.10 %

Year 4 - 96.22 %

Year 5 – 94.69 %

Year 6 – 95.87 %

Academic Dates

Autumn Term 2017

Wednesday 6th September - Friday 20th October 2017

Monday 30th October - Tuesday 19th December 2017

Spring Term 2018

Thursday 4th January - Friday 9th February 2018

Monday 19th February - Thursday 29th March 2018

- Please note it is Friday 9th not 8th February

Summer Term 2018

Tuesday 17th April - Friday 25th May 2018

Tuesday 5th June - Tuesday 24th July 2018

Inset days:

Monday 4th September 2017

Tuesday 5th September 2017

Wednesday 3rd January 2018

Monday 16th April 2018

Monday 4th June 2018