

Warren Wood Primary School



Newsletter – December 15th 2023

Next Week...

...sees our final week of school. Unlike some other schools, we are working until Friday 22nd December at 3:15pm – the pay-off for our late finish means we have time to rest and recharge in the new year. The children will also be grateful of that time to play with their new toys and presents. Whatever you all do this holiday time, if you can, enjoy spending it with those you love.

This Week...

...nearly all of our Infant pupils have performed their Christmas concerts to parents, grandparents and carers. It is always such a magical time and, with only one week to go before we break up for Christmas, it most definitely filled us with all the Christmas spirit.

As I said at the performances, we could not make memories like this without the support of our fabulous staff who have worked so hard to make sure that all the children have lines to say or that they learn song words, that the children perform dances and actions with enthusiasm and enjoy their shows throughout the week. Similarly, the support of our parents helping all of this happen too (by knowing the words and actions just as well as your children) never gets taken granted. Thank you too!

We have our Year 1 children yet to perform at our new 'Christmas Sing-a-long' on Wednesday 20th December straight after school. We can't wait to see them singing too!

...and finally...

The final week before Christmas is always a giddy and exciting time. Whilst finishing off key parts of the curriculum, we also have Christmas parties and fun to fit in too. This leaves many children overwhelmed and unable to cope. Please can you support us in ensuring the week runs smoothly by making sure that no extra toys or special things make their way into school – Elf on the Shelf is to stay very much at your homes! We would hate for them to be lost and cause more upset at the 11th hour, as nearly happened this week! Many thanks.

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A Message from the Headteacher

Tis the season to be jolly and joyous...

Dear Parents and Carers,

Many of you may have spent time with us this week watching the Christmas shows – thank you for helping to make this week so magical! All of the children in school have also been able to watch their friends and siblings in their shows too and now everyone is feeling the spirit of Christmas. Meanwhile in classes...

...Nursery children have been doing everything with a Christmas theme – maths has seen them rolling dice and making reindeers using the numbers rolled and pictures to help them. They have also been counting Christmas trees into trucks and making Christmas crafts. To top it all off, the nursery children performed their own Christmas show – We're going on a baby hunt – Just gorgeous!

Reception pupils have been reading about Mr. Jolly Postman and Little Red Riding Hood. They have been writing get well cards to Grandma and creating wanted posters for the big bad wolf. Everyone has been role playing the story using masks and dressing up as Grandma too – What big eyes you've got, Reception!

Year 1 children have been practicing their songs for their Christmas Sing-a-long. We are very excited for Y1 children to be doing this for the very first time – it means that they get their chance to shine in their very own concert that will bring our term to a close, wonderfully.

Year 2 children have performed their Christmas show 'The Inn Crowd' and reduced me to tears and made me smile in equal measure. Just beautiful Woodies! They also produced some wonderful independent writing about the human and physical features of a continent.

Year 3 pupils have finished editing their Stone Age stories. They have designed and made their own Christmas cards with levers and moving parts. In Maths, they are quickly mastering their four times tables. A great week!

Year 4 pupils have been looking at conductors and insulators in Science, exploring the country of Greece in Geography and working hard at their times tables in Maths.

Year 5 pupils have been learning about the underground railroad, Fairtrade, researching scientists and drafting their slave diary entries.

Year 6 children have decorated their Christmas cakes to take home and have impressed us with their fabulous fractions.

At this time of year, whilst it is full of excitement, it can also be full of stress and heightened emotions. We recognise that and want to support our families and pupils as best as we can. We always endeavor to treat everyone with respect and we ask that the same rights are afforded to our staff. I have been saddened to be alerted to social media posts which are not favourable towards school or our staff. The same can be said for some emails that we receive at school. Please know, we never profess to be perfect but we will always try our best and work hard to right any wrongs. Feel free to talk directly to us rather than be a keyboard warrior – this is what we teach our children and we are their role models.

Mrs. Reyes

Boo the Badger



Each Monday in assembly, our school mascot, 'Boo the Badger' visits two classes in school – one infant and one junior and stays for the week in their classrooms.

He is presented for good attendance, good behavior and good attitudes to learning.

This week, Boo has had a rest due to the busy time of year. We will make sure that Boo goes to visit more classes in the new year.

> His message is 'Miss school, Miss out' – We love having you here and so does Boo!



Upcoming Diary Dates Tuesday 19th December – Y1 Christmas Party Day Wednesday 20th December – Nursery Party am/pm LKS2 (Y3 + 4) Party Day Wednesday 20th December - Year 1 Christmas Carols – 3:15pm – Y1 playground Thursday 21st December- Reception Christmas Party Day – am / Y2 Christmas Party - pm Friday 22nd December – School Closes for Christmas – 3:15pm HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYONE! Monday 8th January 2024 – Spring Term begins