

# WEST KIRBY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents & Carers,



Thank you to those of you who attended and supported our Christmas Advent Reading Events last week. We hope you enjoyed it. We raised just over £500, which we will use to purchase new books for the school library and classroom reading corners. Thank you to Miss O'Toole for organising the event and other WKPS staff for their support over the two evenings.

It was great to see so many of you at our PTA Christmas Fair last Friday. Our PTA Team and WKPS Staff did a fantastic job of turning the school around between 3:20pm and 5:00pm so that it was ready! Our special visitors – Buzz and Woody (the reindeers) added to the magical experience along with Santa's Grotto. We don't have a final total for the amount raised on the night, but we will let you know when we have it.



#### **Anti-Bullying Awareness**

Following on from Anti-Bullying week in November, we welcomed the Altu Drama Company last week. They delivered a performance to our Key Stage Two Children. The title of the performance was Superhero School. The story followed Max, a science mad primary school pupil, who was facing bullying and wished he was different. One morning, everything in Max's routine changed, and he found himself at the Superhero School where he had to work out what made him special and to help others. Following the performance, our Year 3 and Year 4 children took part in a workshop, which was delivered by the Altu team. The workshop further explored the themes of the production. LKS2 staff said that the children engaged really well with the workshops, and they were very proud of the children and their responses and reflections.

## **Staffing**

I have been in touch with Library Jane this week and she is doing really well. She sends her thanks to the children who have sent her cards and sent their good wishes. Jane is hoping to come and visit us in school before we finish for the Christmas holidays. Our School Library is still operating as normal with Mrs Langley supporting the children to return their books and select new books. If you have any outstanding library books at home, please can I request that they are returned back to school so that other children can enjoy them.

We are also keeping in touch with Mr O'Rourke. He has had his operation and his recovery is going well. His special friend, his dog, is keeping him company during his recovery. Miss Ellis is fulfilling Mr O'Rourke's role at the moment to ensure that our PE provision and classroom support continues as normal.

#### **EYFS Outdoor Area**

Thank you for the contributions for our EYFS area. We have now purchased a lockable outdoor cupboard that we can keep some of our items in. Please can I ask for your support to stay vigilant if you are passing our school in the evenings and/or weekends and you see anybody on our school premises. If you do, please report it by phoning 101 and let us know what you saw along with the date/time by emailing our school office. Thank you for your continued support with this. This website can also be used to report incidents Report a crime | Metropolitan Police



## **Important Dates**

These are some of the upcoming dates for the next few weeks;

#### **Next Week...**

- Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December: EYFS Reading Café (8:45- 9:15am) Parents & Carers Welcome
- Tuesday 12th December: Year 2 Reading Café (8:45 -9:15am) Parents & Carers Welcome
- Wednesday 13th December: Year 1 & Year 2 Visit to West Kirby United Reformed Church
- Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December: Whole School Christmas Lunch
- Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December: Rock Steady Concert for children who take part in Rock Steady Sessions (2:30pm)
- Thursday 14th December: Aladdin Christmas Pantomime for all children

#### Final Week ...

- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December: EYFS Christmas Performances. A link has been sent out to request tickets. Please contact EYFS, using their email address if you have not signed up.
- Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December: Year 1 and Year 2 Christmas Performances. A link has been sent out to request tickets. Please contact KS1, using their email address if you have not signed up.
- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December: School Closes for the Christmas Holidays at 3:20pm.

#### Spring One...

- Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January: Inset Day (School Closed to all pupils)
- Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January: School reopens for all pupils

\*Please note this is not all the dates, please keep checking the online calendar on our school website for added dates/events. West Kirby Primary School - Calendar

#### Parent Pay

Please ensure that you credit your child's Parent Pay account **prior** to requesting a lunch in school. Your account should not be in debt. We have noticed a few accounts that are not up to date.

All Parent Pay accounts need to have all outstanding balances cleared before children can be allocated a space in WAVES for Spring One (January 2024) or in any of the Spring One Clubs.

### **Spring One Clubs**

We have a variety of Clubs available in Spring One. Links have been emailed to parents. Please contact the School Office for more information and/or to sign up your child.

Day	Club	Year Groups
Monday	Horrible Histories Club	1 & 2
-	Coding Club	4 & 6
Tuesday	Construction Club	3,4,5 &6
	Construction	F2, Year 1 & Year 2
Wednesday	Choir Club	5 & 6
	Puzzle Club	1 & 2
	Learn German Club	2,3 & 4
Thursday	Book Club	1 & 2
	Drama Club	3 & 4

## **Hope Café Shoebox Appeal**

This year we have supported Hope Cafe, which is part of Christ Church Liverpool. It is a programme which supports refugees and people seeking asylum. We have supported them by providing shoebox presents for the men and women, who use the service. The shoeboxes will be for refugees from over 15 countries. The shoeboxes aim to bring a bit of cheer to people who would otherwise not receive anything for Christmas. Thank you for supporting this and creating such generous shoeboxes. Our collection is ready for the charity early next week. Thank you to Miss Gerrard for co-ordinating this appeal.

#### Contact us

If you have any further questions or queries, please contact our phase leaders using the key stage emails. We will do our best to get back to you as soon as we can.

Phase	Phase Leader	Phase Email address	
EYFS	Mrs Catt	eyfs@westkirbyprimaryschool.co.uk	
KS1	Mrs Hughes	ks1@westkirbyprimaryschool.co.uk	
LKS2	Mr Procter	lks2@westkirbyprimaryschool.co.uk	
UKS2	Mrs McCann	ann <u>uks2@westkirbyprimaryschool.co.uk</u>	
	School Office	schooloffice@westkirby-primary.wirral.sch.uk	

Enjoy the weekend and we will see you next week for the penultimate week before the Christmas Holidays.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs E Bailey Headteacher