



St Wilfrid's Weekly Newsletter

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Christian Value this half term: Kindness



School Council Chosen Charity: RNLI

THIS WEEK:

It has been a cold but enjoyable week at school. We are now in the season for hats and gloves! On Monday, we reflected on the story of the Prodigal Son and the kindness he received. Pine Class also had a fantastic time during their Anglo-Saxon Day on Wednesday. Years 3 and 4 performed exceptionally well in the football competition yesterday, reaching the quarter-finals. Today, we also collected our Shoe Boxes. Well done, everyone!



Reminder: CHRISTMAS SHOE BOX APPEAL:

We have managed to collect **70** Shoe Boxes

THANK YOU!

SPORTING SUCCESS:

Congratulations to our Year 3 and 4 Football Team! Yesterday, they competed against other local schools, demonstrating excellent football skills and a fantastic attitude. They successfully won their groups and advanced to the quarter-finals. Go St Wilfrid's!

ATHLETICS CLUB: LAST CLUB NEXT WEEK

The final athletics club session will take place on Tuesday, 25th November. We need to conclude before the Christmas holidays to allow for various Christmas arrangements to be set up and conducted in the hall, making it unsuitable for the Athletics Club. Thank you to all the children for their support throughout this term.

I apologise for any inconvenience caused.

SCHOOL KIT: Calling local businesses, sponsorship

As a school, we are seeking to purchase new kits for when children represent us in local sports competitions. If you are a business owner interested in sponsoring our sports kit, please contact the school to speak with me.

The estimated cost for the kit we wish to purchase is approximately £1,500.

MUSIC ASSEMBLY—Mrs Holt: Wed 3rd Dec 10am

There will be a music assembly showcasing some of our pupils' musical talents. Mrs Holt will contact parents if their child is involved. Parents of children participating are welcome to attend and watch if they wish.



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KIDSAFE:

As part of our curriculum, we follow a child-friendly safeguarding teaching programme called 'Kidsafe'. This is a well-recognised programme used in a large number of schools. Our Year 2 children will be accessing this learning during this half-term, and Year Reception, 4, and 6 will engage with it in the New Year. Mrs Trousdale will be delivering these lessons and is happy to answer any questions you may have. Information will be available on Dojo.

CHRISTMAS TRIPS:

This year, for our Christmas theatre trips, we are providing opportunities for both Key Stage 1 (KS1) and Key Stage 2 (KS2).

Key Stage 1 will be watching Puss in Boots at the Lancaster Grand on 11th December at 1:00 PM. The cost is £10.50, which includes an ice cream or sorbet. This will mean a return to school at approximately 3:45 PM.

Key Stage 2 will be watching The Snow Queen at The Dukes in Lancaster on 2nd December at 10:15 AM. The cost is £13, which also includes an ice cream or sorbet.

On both days, a picnic lunch will be the meal choice for those having school dinners.

Thank you from the PTFA, who are funding the coach trips for both days.

CHRISTMAS ARRANGMENTS: Services.

This year, our Christmas Services will be arranged in the following ways:

EYFS and Key Stage One — Nativity in School (ticketed event £2.50 each)

Year 3 and 4 — Christingle in Church (two seats per family for each performance — donations)

Year 5 and 6 — Carol Service in Church (two seats per family for each performance — donations)

Please see the dates section for performance information.

We will be collecting donations for St Wilfrid's Church.

Healthy Snacks and Packed Lunches:

Please could I remind you to send in healthy snacks for morning breaks in KS2 Fruit and cereal bars are excellent choices. However, chocolate and crisps should not be included as snacks. Thank you.

Please also remember, Key Stage Two Classes can buy fruit on a Friday morning courtesy of our School Council.



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EARRINGS UPDATE:

6 Weeks to go—Please ensure that your child is able to remove their earrings for PE lessons starting in the new year—Thank you in advance.

Please be aware of the following changes set by the Association for Physical Education, which will be reflected in our school's PE policy and adhered to starting in January. **The removal of earrings is considered best practice.** Teachers have a duty of care regarding the safety of the children; therefore, earrings should not be taped. Staff are not required to tape earrings, and plasters must not be used.

This guidance aligns with the policies of most schools in the area, which clearly state that earrings must be removed for PE lessons.

We are providing this period of notice so that any children who have their ears pierced over the half-term break can still be ready to adhere to the policy in January. Additionally, this gives parents the opportunity to ensure that their children can learn to take out and put in their own earrings. However, you may decide to keep the earrings at home on these days.

FUTURE PTFA EVENTS:

**Thursday 5th Feb
School Quiz Night**

**Fri 20th March—Film
Night**

**Thur 21st May
School Disco
Fri 3rd July—Family Fun
Night**

CLASS ASSEMBLIES:

**Ash: Thur 7th May
Willow: Fri 30th Jan
Cherry: Fri 1st May
Chestnut: Fri 19th June
Beech: Fri 6th March
Pine: Fri 6th Feb
Sycamore: Fri 20th March
Oak: Fri 27th Feb**

Class Worship;
Start: 9.15am followed by a café.
End of day Cake Sale too!

SPECIAL DAYS:

Throughout the year, we will recognise various special days. These may be acknowledged through brief mentions in worship or class, or as well as a more focused observance of the day.

Only World Book Day requires dressing up!

15th Sep: National Day of Democracy

13th Nov: World Kindness Day

29th Jan: National Puzzle Day

10th Feb: Safer Internet Day

5th March: World Book Day (**Dress Up**)

18th March: Global Recycling Day

15th April: World Art Day

1st July: International Joke Day

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CHRISTMAS RAFFLE: MESSAGE FROM THE PTFA:

Tickets are £1 each/ £5 per a book.

PA Message: The PTFA has sent home a book of raffle tickets with each child. Please return these to school by Wednesday, 26th November, whether sold or unsold. The raffle draw will take place at the Christmas Fair on Friday, 28th November. Thank you so much for your continued support PTFA

Please make sure stubs are filled in completely, as missing information will invalidate entry and return to school with money.

If you or family members require more tickets, we have plenty more in school.

Raffle prizes have been donated by local businesses.

- £30 voucher for The Station
- £30 voucher for The Greyhound
- 2 tickets to watch Zog at the Lancaster Grand Theatre (April)
- 2 Adults and 2 Children to any Morecambe FC home game
- 4 tickets to Eureka
- Stationary/craft hamper donated by James cropper PLC
- Family entry into Greenlands Farm

...and a few more we're still working on

Additional Prize... A Scott McTominay signed football!

All money raised is for the PTFA and therefore is all put back into school to fund things such as coaches for school trips and pantos.

PTFA:

BAGS TO SCHOOLS: BAGS HAVE BEEN SENT HOME!

Our PTFA have organised a clothes & shoe collection with Bag2School. You should receive your plastic bag today.

Bag2School will be collecting from school on the morning of **Wednesday 26th November**.

Please drop off down the side of school before 9am on the above date. - Thank you.



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STAR OF THE WEEK:

ASH: Isabelle
WILLOW: Avery
CHERRY: Elsie
CHESTNUT: Tyler
BEECH: Reuben Pri
PINE: Joshua
SYCAMORE: Lacie
OAK: Lola

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DATES:

Wed 26th Nov—Swimming Gala (none club swimmers) Children involved will be contacted
Wed 26th—Bags to School Collection—Please drop them off at the ICT suit down the side of school by 9am.
Thur 27th Nov—Library Van visiting school - 100 new books arriving
Fri 28th Nov—SCHOOL CHRISTMAS FAIR 5pm—7pm—Supported by the PTFA
Tue 2nd Dec KS2 Theatre Trip
Tue 2nd Dec—**Final** Hot Chocolate Drop In 4pm—4.45pm
Wed 3rd Dec 10am —Music Assembly (Mrs Holt—will contact children involved) Parents Welcome.
Tue 9th Dec—Nativity to Parents 2pm and 6pm - Details after half term
Wed 10th Dec—School Christmas Dinner
Wed 10th—School Christmas Jumper Day —Other uniform to be worn.
Wed 10th Dec—Year 3 / 4 (Beech and Pine) Christingle—In Church 2pm and 6pm—two seats per family for each performance — donations
Thur 11th Dec KS1 Panto visit
Wed 17th Dec—Year 5 / 6 Carol Service (Sycamore / Oak) In Church 2pm and 6pm—two seats per family for each performance — donations
Friday 19th December—School Closes at 2pm

FINAL THOUGHT:

"Believe you can and you're halfway there" by Theodore Roosevelt