

Weetwood School News

Dear Parent/Carers,

Happy Half Term! It has been a jam packed 8 weeks in school but I am sure you will agree we are all ready for a little rest. Thank you to all the families who attended parents evening this half term, we hope you found it useful and informative. Parents evening at this time of year is mainly to discuss how your child has settled in to their new year group and how you can continue to help us at home.

Thank you to all the parents who attended this morning's Harvest assembly. We have collected a good range of non-perishables to send to the Leeds North and West Foodbank, I know our donations will be gratefully received. Thank you!

Reminders:

Please can I take this opportunity to remind you about the school's communication policy. Dojo messages to teachers shouldn't be sent out of working hours and these messages should be for short general messages. Should you want to raise a worry or concern, this should be done using the school email address bursar@weetwoodprimary.co.uk. Thank you for your compliance with this. More information about the school's communication policy can be found on the website.

Secondly, opposite the railings on Weetwood Lane is **double yellow** lines. Please ensure that you don't park or pull up on the double yellow lines. These are there for everyone's safety. Also, while patrolling outside, the number of cars that are driving fast along the road is quite astonishing. Please drive slowly around school particularly at the beginning and the end of the day.

CROSS COUNTRY

On Saturday, some children from Weetwood, joined other schools across Leeds, to take part in the first of the cross-country events this academic year. Saturday was quite wet and it had rained a lot overnight. Despite the rain and muddy conditions, the children who took part showed great resilience and they all tried their very best. Thank you to Mr Crawford and Miss Clift for giving up their time as well as the parents who came to support. A huge well done to Molly P, Arlo M, William S, Theo B, Thomas N, Holly L, Evie P, Emmy B, Zoe P, Joseph E and Shaheer A!

YEAR 6

Last week, Year 6 dressed up as Victorian's and welcomed a visitor in to their classroom who transported them back to Victorian times. The children learned all about Titus Salt and the village he built, Saltaire. The children learnt about the legacy of Titus Salt, the people who lived in his village and the lives they lived. Maria, the visitor, was really engaging and really brought the history to life.

Today, the class have continued their history learning and visited Abbey House Museum. The class took part in a crime and punishment workshop and learnt about the history of the police. As part of the workshop, the children had to use the clues to solve the murder mystery. In the afternoon, the children applied their sketching skills and spent their time sketching Kirkstall Abbey. The children had a great time and were great ambassadors for the school. Well done Year 6.

On Saturday, Bea Kendrew took part, with 100 other violinists, in a violin flash mob in the Trinity centre as part of the Red Violin Festival. Over the course of lunchtime, the violinist performed on three separate occasions. Each time the crowds gathered and were amazed by the spectacular scenes. As many of you will know Bea is very musical and works hard practising all the instruments she plays. She had a great time taking part! Well done Bea, what a fantastic achievement.

CHILDREN IN NEED

The school council met last week to plan this year's Children in need, which takes place **on Friday 15 November**. Here is what they decided:

* There will be a bake sale on the day at break time. £1 cash per item/slice. Extras will be sold after school instead of a PTA sale. All donations of cakes/buns/cookies welcome, but please remember that we are a NUT-FREE school.

* Wear - Pudsey merch, spotty clothes OR ... dress as a gladiator! The TV show is linked with the charity this year. Children (and staff) may dress as an existing gladiator e.g.

Fire or design their own. This does not have to be lycra, more on the theme of whatever name they give themselves.

* There will be a Just giving page on dojo for any other donations.

* Sponsored mile. The school council wanted to emulate the challenge the Radio 1 team are doing, which is to swim 1000 miles. We have modified ours so that children can swim, run, walk, cycle, scoot a mile for children in need. If they cannot do this outside of school, they may want to run/walk/skip at break around the track on the playground. Please let your child's class teacher know how many miles they have travelled. The class who clocks up the most miles for Pudsey will win an extra playtime. Thank you so much in advance for your support. We really appreciate it.



* FOOTBALL*

The football leagues have begun for Year 4 and Year 6! Year 4 played against Horsforth Newlathes and Year 6 played against Ireland Wood. Despite the score sheet being against them, both teams worked incredibly hard. They showed great sportsmanship, determination and resilience. The support and respect the team showed to each other was admirable and something to be really proud of. Well done Year 4 and Year 6!

YEAR 6 PARENTS

The deadline for year 7 applications fall in half term. The deadline for all applications is 31st October, it is essential you complete the application for your child. If you need help with your application you can contact startingsecondary@leeds.gov.uk.

There are three attachments with the newsletter email. The first is the Headingley and Kirkstall school bands flyer. This is for all children who play a brass or woodwind instrument and would like to join a band. The second is about Yoga classes during the holidays and the final is a flyer about an Autism workshop. Share our learning is on the 13th November if you are able to attend the event from 9.30-10.30am.

Finally, can I take the opportunity to remind you about school uniform, footwear should be black school shoes or trainers and leggings or jogging bottoms should also be black for PE. I hope you all have a relaxing break.

Kind regards

Mrs Ellison

New Dates in red

Diary Dates 2024.25			
September	October	November	December
<p>Tuesday 3rd September: School opens to pupils.</p> <p>Wednesday 19th September: Curriculum Open Evening (4 –5.30pm)</p> <p>Thursday 26th September: European languages day.</p> <p>Friday 27th September: Selected Year 6 Pupils to Leeds Youth Summit</p>	<p>Wednesday 2nd October: Nursery, Reception, Year 1- Phonics Information evening. (5pm-6pm)</p> <p>Friday 4th October: PTA Social at St Chad's Parish Centre</p> <p>Monday 7th October: Year 5 Trip to Lotherton Hall</p> <p>Wednesday 9th October: Individual Photographs</p> <p>Friday 11th October: PTA School Disco</p> <p>W.C. 14th October: Book fair in school. Year 6 Saltaire Workshop</p> <p>W.C 14th October: SEND Parents meetings</p> <p>Friday 18th October: Non-Uniform Day to raise money for Leeds Children's Charity</p> <p>Halloween Costume Swap Shop</p> <p>Wednesday 23rd and Thursday 24th October: Parents evening</p> <p>Thursday 24th October: Year 6 Trip to Abbey House Museum & Kirkstall Abbey Harvest Assembly</p> <p>Friday 25th October: Training Day. School Closed to pupils.</p> <p>W.C 28th October: Half term holidays</p>	<p>Monday 4th November: All pupils return to school.</p> <p>Wednesday 6th November: Year 6 Lawnswood Math's Puzzle Afternoon in school</p> <p>W.C 11th November: Anti-Bullying Week</p> <p>Wednesday 13th November: Share our Learning.</p> <p>Friday 15th November: Children in Need.</p> <p>Wednesday 20th November: Year 1 Trip to Abbey House Museum</p> <p>Thursday 21st November: SEND Bowling Event</p> <p>Friday 22nd November: Cross Country Festival – Roundhay School</p> <p>Christmas Jumper Swap Shop</p> <p>Thursday 28th November: Pantomime</p> <p>Friday 29th November: Christmas Jumper Swap Shop</p>	<p>Wednesday 4th December: Year 2 Florence Nightingale Workshop</p> <p>Sunday 8th December: Santa Crafternoon</p> <p>Monday 9th December: Flu spray vaccinations in school.</p> <p>Tuesday 17th December: 9.15am – EYFS Christmas Show. 2.15pm – KS1 Christmas Show</p> <p>Wednesday 18th December: 9.15am – KS1 Christmas Show. 2.15pm – EYFS Christmas Show</p> <p>Thursday 19th December: -KS2 Christmas Music Show.</p> <p>Friday 20th December: School closes for the Christmas holidays.</p>
January	February	March	
<p>Monday 6th January All pupils return to school.</p> <p>Tuesday 21st January Year 4 Lineham Farm parents meeting 5pm</p>	<p>Saturday 1st February: PTA Quiz and Curry Night</p> <p>Wednesday 5th February: Share Our Learning</p> <p>Monday 10th – 12th February: Lineham Farm for Year 4.</p> <p>Friday 14th February: School Closes for half term. World Book Day Costume Swap Shop</p> <p>Monday 24th February: All pupils return to school</p>	<p>Thursday 6th March: World Book Day PTA World Book Day Event</p> <p>Friday 14th March: Progress reports to parents.</p> <p>Wednesday 19th and Thursday 20th March: Parents evening.</p>	

April	May	June	July
<p>Friday 4th March: School closes for all pupils.</p> <p>Tuesday 22nd April: All pupils return to school.</p>	<p>Monday 5th May: May Day Bank Holiday.</p> <p>W/C Monday 12th- Year 6 SATs Week</p> <p>Tuesday 20th May: School nurses -Year 6 and Reception height and weight check.</p> <p>Wednesday 21st May: Class Photos.</p> <p>Thursday 22nd May: Share Our Learning</p> <p>Thursday 22nd May: School closes to all pupils.</p> <p>Friday 23rd May: Teacher training day.</p>	<p>Monday 2nd June: All pupils return to school</p> <p>W.C. Monday 2nd June: Multiplication Check Year 4</p> <p>W.C. Monday 9th June: Phonics screening Year 1</p> <p>Friday 20th June: Poetry Slam Assembly (2pm)</p> <p>Wednesday 25th June –</p> <p>Friday 27th June: Edale Residential (Y6)</p>	<p>Friday 4th July: Sports Day and PTA Picnic.</p> <p>Thursday 10th July: Music Show.</p> <p>Friday 11th July: Reports for all pupils to go home</p> <p>Saturday 12th July: Year 6 Party</p> <p>Sunday 13th July: PTA School Summer Fair</p> <p>Tuesday or Wednesday 15/16th July: Year 6 show</p> <p>Friday 18th July: Y6 Leavers Assembly</p> <p>Friday 18th July: School closes to all pupils</p>