Weetwood School News

Dear Parent/Carers,

It has been a busy fortnight in school and we seem to be heading towards Christmas at a rapid speed. Thank you to all the parents and grandparents that attended the Share Our Learning event last week. We really enjoy opening the doors and giving you an opportunity to spend some time with your child(ren) in school. Have a look below at all the events and enrichments that have been happening recently!

SPORT, SPORT AND MORE SPORT!

Last week we had a busy week of sport. On Tuesday, Arwen, Archie, Leo and Eloise attended a SEND bowling activity at Hollywood Bowl. The children took part in a pentathlon, which was great fun and had a great time. On Thursday, Miss Clift took a group of Year 5 and 6 girls to a girl's football event organised by Leeds United. All the girls played really well, drawing three games and losing three games. The girls had a great time, played well and demonstrated great sportsmanship.

Also last week, Year 3 took part in the next round of their football league. They won their first game 4-0, drew their second game 1-1 against local rivals Meanwood, and lost their last game against a very strong team. Although they were temporarily disappointed at their loss, they all played really well and had a great time.

On Friday, the top five girls and boys from years 3,4,5,6 took part in the cross country at Roundhay School. Everyone put in an excellent effort on a tough course, each age category had over 100 participants. A huge WELL DONE to the children who finished in the **top 15**: Arlo, Archie, William, Holly, Emmy-Lou B, Joseph, Alice P, Tyler, Milla, Gracie and Sam.

On Saturday, we headed to the Cross Country in Otley for a crisp and sunny run in the West Yorkshire Cross Country event. All the children that signed up did incredibly well. Well done, Alice, Emmy, Holly, Lettie, Kit, Arlo, Joseph and Phoenix!

Also, on Saturday, Blaze, the new girls team grown from Saturday morning football, played a friendly against North East Lionesses. Although they lost, the girls enjoyed playing together and continue to go from strength to strength on the pitch. Caitlin was voted players, player- well done Catilin.

Uniform update:

Whilst we are talking sport, I am going to change the uniform policy for PE in **September 2024**. We will phase out the red PE hoodie and ask that children come in a red fleece instead. The logo version is available on the uniform site but red fleeces can be picked up at most uniform shops. The fleeces will wash and dry better and will also keep their colour after they are washed.

Year 4 have been busy this last fortnight with their bun sale and Greek day. As part of their topic, Year 4 have been learning about Ancient Greece. Last week, the children took part in a Greek day, where they dressed as Greek gods and goddesses, tasted Greek food and took part in the Olympic games. As you can see the children had a great day and thoroughly enjoyed themselves! This week the children have also been busy selling cakes to raise money for Lineham Farm. Lineham Farm is a charity and offer residentials to disadvantaged children across the city. As the children are visiting in February, they have organised and hosted a bun sale to raise some funds for the charity. The cakes were a big hit across school and the children had great fun selling them. Thank you for all the wonderful creations, we really appreciate the efforts. The bun sale raised over £200.

TEDDY BEARS HOSPITAL

Last week, Year 3 had a great afternoon taking part in the Teddy Bear's Hospital. This should have happened last year, but due to a clash in dates with the organisers and a very full diary, this was postponed until this year and it was well worth the wait. The purpose of the Teddy Bears Hospital is to work with young children to overcome their fear of doctors, nurses and hospitals. The organisation is ran by trainee medical students and was really well received. The children worked on different stations around the hall, including taking the organs out of a very large teddy bear!

YEAR 6 VICTORIAN EXPERIENCE

This term, Year 6 have been studying the Victorian's as part of their topic. The children came to school as Victorians and spent the morning with a visitor learning all about Titus Salt and the village he built. Throughout the workshop, each child took on the role of a person living in the village in the Titus Salt era. They learnt about where they lived, worked and who they were married to. The children also considered whether Titus was a hero or a villain and spent some of the morning smashing myths about him. As you can see from the pictures, the children made a wonderful effort with their costumes and had a great morning.

PTA

The work to the pond area is now complete and we have a lovely outdoor learning area. We still need a few items such as wildlife signs and nets for pond dipping so we are still busy fundraising for these. We hope to share a wish list of items in the new year so please look out for this and any donations would be greatly appreciated.



We have the Santa Brunch this Sunday from 10am until 11:30am. Tickets for the event are now **SOLD OUT**. There will be lots of crafts for the children to do and they will get to meet and talk to Santa. There are also a couple of stalls, with hot drinks and mince pies available to buy for the adults so please bring some money with you. We will be taking cash and cards at this event. Entry will be through the WOOSC gate into the school hall.

In order to fundraise some more we will be holding a Raffle for front row seats at the Christmas Shows. It is £2 per entry for 2 front row tickets and there are 7 chances to win per show. There is no limit to the number of entries. The winners will be drawn at random on Monday 18th December and contacted prior to the shows. Please look out for PTA Reps at pick up and bun sales to sign up to put your name in the bucket.

As always if you wish to get involved please speak to your year groups PTA rep or email weetwoodpta@yahoo.com.

Yesterday we had a wonderful performance of Snow White by M&M productions. Unfortunately, I missed the show as I had a meeting but I have heard the children had a great time and really enjoyed the treat. Due to the glowing reviews, we have booked the same company for next year!

The weather has turned crisp and frosty over the last few days, many children are coming wrapped up ready for the cold weather. Please can I remind you to label hats and gloves as we are already starting to build up a bank of lost property.

Please keep checking the calendar for dates as it is busy over the next few weeks. I hope you all have a good weekend.

Kind regards

Mrs Ellison

Dates for the diary – New dates in red

September	October	October November		
Monday 18th September:	Monday 9 th October:	Monday 6 th November:	Tuesday 5 th December:	
Year 2 Curriculum	Year 5 Trip to Lotherton	All pupils return to school.	Year 5 – Peace Museum	
Evening (5pm-5.30pm)	Hall			
		Thursday 9 th November:	Wednesday 6 th	
Wednesday 27 th	Wednesday 11 th -October: Flu spray vaccination		December:	
September: European	Year 6 Trip to Abbey House	school.	Year 1 Trip to Middleton	
languages day	Museum		Railway	
		Friday 10 th November:	Year 2 Teddy Bear	
Wednesday 27 th	W.C. 16 th October:	PTA Disco (6pm-8pm)	Hospital visit in school	
September:	Book fair in school.		(PM)	
Nursery, Reception, Year		Saturday 11 th November:		
1- Phonics Information	W.C 16 th October:	Pre-School Open Morning	Saturday 9 th December:	
evening. (5pm-6pm)	SEND Parents meetings	(10am-12noon)	Cross Country at GSAL	
Thursday 28 th	Monday 23 rd October:	W.C 13 th November:	Thursday 7 th December:	
September:	Year 3 Trip to Herd Farm	Anti-Bullying Week	Year 2 Trip to Lotherton	
Individual Photographs	•	, 3	Hall	
	Wednesday 25 th and	Wednesday 15 th		
Friday 29th September:	Thursday 26th October	November:	Thursday 14 th December:	
Non-Uniform Day to raise	Parents evening	Reception 2024 Open	Choir to sing at Cherry	
money for Leeds		Morning	Court	
Children's Charity	Friday 27th October:	(9.30-11.30)	Year 6 Trip to see Oliver at	
	Harvest Assembly	Pre-School Open Evening	Leeds Playhouse	
	(Reception and KS1	(3.30-5.30)		
	parents only)		Friday 15 th December:	
		Friday 17 th November:	Christmas Jumper Day	
	Non-Uniform Day for	Children in Need.	Christmas Lunch	
	Leeds Children's Charity		Music Show at 2pm	
		Tuesday 21 st November:		
	School closes for Half-Term	Year 6 Saltaire Workshop	Tuesday 19 th December:	
		KS2 SEND Bowling Event	KS1 Christmas Show	
	W.C 30 st October:		(2.15pm)	
	Half term holiday	Wednesday 22 nd		
		November:	Wednesday 20 th	
		Share Our Learning (9am-	December:	
		10am)	Reception & Preschool	
		Year 3 Teddy Bear Hospital	Nativity (9.30am)	
		visit in school (PM)		
			Years 5/6 Music and Carol	
		Thursday 23 rd November:	Concert (2.15pm)	

		Year 4 Ancient Greek Day Year 6 Girls Football (9.30am until 2pm) Friday 24 th November: Cross Country Festival at Roundhay High School (PM) Thursday 30 th November: Christmas Pantomime (PM)	Thursday 21st December: Years 3/4 Music and Carol Concert (2.15pm) Friday 22 nd December: School closes for the Christmas holidays.
January	February	March	
Monday 8 th January All pupils return to school. Tuesday 23rd January Year 4 Lineham Farm parents meeting 5pm Tuesday 30 th January: Dental Survey on 5 year olds – more information to follow Wednesday 31 st January School nurses -Year 6 and Reception height and weight check.	Thursday 1st February: Second Round of Cross Country at Temple Newsam (Time TBC) Monday 5th-Wednesday 7th February: Lineham Farm (Y4) Friday 9th February: School Closes for half term. Monday 19th February: Teacher training Day. Tuesday 20th February: All pupils return to school Progress reports to parents. Wednesday 21st and Thursday 22nd: December availing	Monday 4 th March: Year 6 Trip to Magna Wednesday 6 th March: West Yorkshire Cross Country Finals (TBC) Thursday 7 th March: World Book Day Wednesday 20 th March: Share our Learning. Thursday 28 th March: School closes for all pupils.	
	Parents evening.		
April	May	June	July
Monday 15th April: All pupils return to school.	Monday 6 st May: May Day Bank Holiday. W/C Monday 13 th - Year 6 SATs Week	Monday 3rd th June: All pupils return to school W.C. Monday 3rd June: Multiplication Check Year 4	Thursday 11 th July: Music Show Friday 12 th July: Reports for all pupils to go home
	Thursday 23rd May: School closes to all pupils. Friday 24 th May: Teacher training day.	W.C. Monday 10 ^h June: Phonics screening Year 1 Monday 10 th - Wednesday 12th: Yr. 6 trip to Edale Wednesday 19 th June: Share Our Learning	Sunday 14 th July: Summer Fair Tuesday 16 th July: Year 6 show Wednesday 17 th July: Open evening for all parents

	Friday 21 rd June: Poetry Slam Assembly (2pm)	Friday 19 th July: Y6 Leavers Assembly Friday 19 th July:
	Friday 28th th June: Sports Day PTA Picnic	School closes to all pupils