



# Walton-le-Dale

## Wednesday Newsletter

*"Through working together, the best is yet to come"*

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### MESSAGE OF THE WEEK – CHRISTMAS JUMPER SALE

The PTFA would like to say a huge thank you to all those who have donated Christmas jumpers.

The sale of the Christmas jumpers is this Friday (2<sup>nd</sup> December) after school, outside the main entrance. All jumpers will be priced at £2 or less.

Children are invited to wear a Christmas jumper to school on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December with all donations to Save the Children UK (suggested donation £1)

### PYJAMAS- FRIDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> NOVEMBER

Children are invited to dress in their pyjamas this Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> December. In exchange, the PTFA have asked for luxury food items. Please only donate if you are able to, donations are optional.

### RECEPTION- CHAT PLAY READ

There will be no Reception Chat Play Read after school on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December and Thursday 15 December. It will return on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January.

### FOOTBALL CLUB

This week's football club session on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December will be the last one.

### PTFA CHRISTMAS HAMPERS

Our amazing Christmas Hampers are back and this year they're better than ever! Thanks to your amazing generosity with donations so far, the PTFA Christmas Hampers will be absolutely packed with treats & goodies! **Tickets are available now on Parent Pay.** Buy as many as you like & don't forget to ask other family members if they'd like any tickets too!

Medium Hamper Tickets - £3 each

Large Hamper Tickets - £5 each

Luxury Hamper Tickets - £10 each

Tickets will be sent home via your child & the lucky winners will be drawn on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2022. On sale now until Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2022

### FRANCE VISIT MEETING FOR PARENTS- THURSDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER

There will be a parent meeting held in the junior school on **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December at 5.30pm** for those parents who have paid their France visit deposit and have indicated that they wish their children to attend the visit on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2023. This will be a timely opportunity to share as much information as possible to ensure a well organised and smooth visit.

## NEW SWIM SCHOOL CLASSES

Bookings are now open for the next block of swimming lessons which start this week. We have added new classes to our timetable, giving more children the opportunity to learn to swim or develop their technique. Please visit the Swim School website [www.wldswimschool.com](http://www.wldswimschool.com) for class information and to book online.

## PTFA PENNY WARS- DEADLINE FRIDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> DECEMBER

1, 2, 3, 4, We Declare a PENNY WAR!

The PTFA have declared a penny war within the school! **Running from Monday 31st October to Friday 2nd December.** There is a Penny Jar in each classroom for the children to fill.

There are 2 main rules

1- Absolutely no piggy banks to be emptied - loose change only

2- No notes

The winners are the class to raise the most money. There will be a small prize for every class & the winning class will get a prize.

## FREE £30 SUPERMARKET VOUCHER FOR ELIGIBLE FAMILIES – APPLY BY 8<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

Over the Christmas holiday, parents with a school-aged child claiming their entitlement to free school meals will receive a £30 supermarket voucher. If you are not currently claiming free school meals please fill in this form to check your eligibility:

[https://lancashire-self.achieveservice.com/service/Free\\_school\\_meals\\_and\\_pupil\\_premium](https://lancashire-self.achieveservice.com/service/Free_school_meals_and_pupil_premium)

If you have more than one child in school, you will need to apply for each individual child. To ensure you receive your supermarket voucher for the holidays, please complete this form **by Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December**

This is a simple and confidential process. If you prefer to speak to someone about registering, please call the LCC Pupil Access team on 01772 532109. Registering for Free School Meals does not mean that your child has to take a school meal at lunchtime. They can still bring in a packed lunch if you prefer, but the school will receive additional funding to support your child within school.

School also receives Pupil Premium Funding for each child that receives free school meals. This funding is used in a variety of ways including catch-up groups for children who have fallen behind in Maths or English, additional 1:1 reading sessions or speech and language support. The more pupils we have that are eligible for Free School Meals, the more vital funding the school will receive to support children's learning and well-being.

The supermarket voucher will be sent via email to a child's primary parent (this is the parent registered as first contact on the school email system) and will be received at the start of the holiday.

## CHRISTMAS LUNCH- WEDNESDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

If you would like your KS2 child to have a special lunch on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December please pay £2.60 on Parent Pay under lunch payments. Please ask your child to tell their teacher during the dinner registration in the morning.

*Turkey with Chipolata Sausage or Roast Quorn Fillet with Vegetarian Sauce*

*Roast and Mashed Potato*

*Seasonal Vegetables*

*Gravy*

*Chocolate Chip Shortbread*



## BRASS ASSEMBLY YEAR 4- THURSDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

Parents of children in Year 4 are invited to attend a Brass Assembly on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December at 11am.

## JUNIOR CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE – TUESDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

We are delighted to inform you that the Junior Children’s Christmas Carol Service will be taking place on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm at St Mary’s and St Benedict’s Church. This has, very sadly, not been able to take place owing to Covid restrictions. We ask that all our junior children attend and come together with parents to share the readings and songs that they have been learning and performing. It’s a lovely Christmas event leading to Christmas that we hope you will be able to attend!

Children and parents are welcome to arrive from 5.40pm.

## SCHOOL TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES 2023/24

The school term and holiday dates for the 2023/24 academic year have been approved by governors. These are published below and available on our website.

### Autumn 2023

Starts: Monday 4 September 2023

Half term: Monday 23 October – Friday 27 October 2023

Ends: Friday 22 December 2023 (School Closes at 1.15pm)

### Spring 2024

Starts: Monday 8 January 2024

Half term: Monday 12 February – Friday 16 February 2024

Ends: Thursday 28 March 2024

### Summer 2024

Starts: Monday 15 April 2024

Election Day: Thursday 2 May 2024 (School Closed)

May Day: Monday 6 May 2024 (School Closed)

Half term: Monday 27 May – Friday 7 June 2024

Ends: Wednesday 24 July 2024 (School Closes at 1.15pm)

## ABSENCES

Parents should contact the school office to explain the reason for their child's absence by 9.00am by phone or email [shodgson@wldps.com](mailto:shodgson@wldps.com). Please ensure that you contact the school on each day of the child's absence unless instructed otherwise. If parents do not contact the school office to explain the reason for their child’s absence, the school office will make every effort to find out if there is a safeguarding concern.

## PGL BOREATTON PARK YEAR 6 TRIP

The next instalment for the Year 6 trip to Boreatton Park is due on 1<sup>st</sup> December. Please make all payments on Parent Pay.

Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	Years 3 and 4 Fundamental Skills Intervention Bikeability – BISON CLASS Reception – Chat Play Read Club France Visit Parents Meeting 5.30pm – Junior Hall
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	Bikeability – BISON CLASS

	PTFA Pyjama Day – for any luxury food items
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Nursery Christmas Stay and Play (10-11.30am and 1.30-3pm)
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Dinner 12pm KS1 & KS2
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception – Stay & Make Year 4 Brass Assembly - Y4 parents welcome 11am Christmas Jumper Day – Save the Children UK – donation of £1 Year 4 Brass Assembly 11am
Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Santa's Grotto
Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Santa's Grotto
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Junior Christmas Carol Service Practise 1.30pm
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Junior Christmas Carol Service 6pm – St. Mary's & St. Benedict's Church (Christmas Jumpers & headwear welcome for the Junior Carol Service)
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Nursery Christmas Show (Afternoon performance only, 2pm)
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Breakfast with Santa 8am Reception Nativity – 10am Reception Nativity – 1.30pm
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Breakfast with Santa 8am Nursery Christmas Party (All day)
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Children are invited to wear their own party clothes to school KS1 Party 10am Christmas Party Dinner 12pm KS1 & KS2 KS2 Party 2pm Nursery Last Day (Bring a toy in)
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	End of term. Parents are to collect their children at 1.15pm Christmas jumpers are welcome!
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January	Start of Spring Term
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> January	Reception Chat Play Read
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> January	Nursery Stay and Play (10-11.30am and 1.30-3pm)
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 6 Dental Survey
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> February	Nursery proposed date for trip to the farm
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	Nursery Mother's Day Stay and Play (10-11.30am and 1.30-3pm)
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	Nursery Show (The Gingerbread Man 11am and 2.30pm)
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Nursery Father's Day Stay and Play (10-11.30am and 1.30-3pm)
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Nursery proposed date for trip to the beach
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Nursery End of year show (Nursery Rhymes 11am and 2.30pm)
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	Nursery End of year party

## SUPER PUPILS

Congratulations to our "Super Pupils" from last week:

Bison Class- George

Manatee Class-

Falcon Class- Felicity  
 Eagle Class-Zara  
 Jaguar Class-Kyle  
 Leopard Class- James  
 Loris Class –Heidi  
 Kakapo Class-Georgie  
 Gorilla Class- Betsy  
 Orangutan Class – Olivia  
 Elephant Class- Bruno  
 Rhinoceros Class- Rose

<b>Menu</b>		
Monday- Thursday : Salad Bar      Friday : Fruit Bar		
W/B 5 <sup>th</sup> December	KS2	Foundation and KS1
Monday	Sausage roll Or Pasta or Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings	Sausage roll Or Pasta
Tuesday	Meatballs Or Panini with a choice of fillings	Meatballs Or Panini with a choice of fillings
Wednesday	<u>Christmas Dinner</u> Turkey with Chipolata Sausage or Roast Quorn Fillet with Vegetarian Sauce Roast and Mashed Potato Seasonal Vegetables Gravy Chocolate Chip Shortbread	<u>Christmas Dinner</u> Turkey with Chipolata Sausage or Roast Quorn Fillet with Vegetarian Sauce Roast and Mashed Potato Seasonal Vegetables Gravy Chocolate Chip Shortbread
Thursday	Curry Or Sandwiches with a choice of fillings	Curry Or Sandwiches with a choice of fillings
Friday	Pizza and Chips Or Fish and Chips	Pizza and Chips Or Fish and Chips
Subject to availability		



# CHRISTMAS FAYRE

4PM - 8PM FRIDAY 9TH DECEMBER

**LOTS OF STALLS!  
FOOD, DRINKS, GIFTS, RAFFLES & MORE!  
PROCEEDS GOING TO ST CATHERINE'S  
HOSPICE & CAFOD**

