

'Striving for Excellence'  
Headteacher: Mrs D. Dack

## NEWSLETTER 6

### JANUARY 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy New Year to you all. We hope you all enjoyed the holidays. We look forward to welcoming all the children back to school tomorrow, Wednesday 5th January.

Mrs Dack

#### CHRISTMAS FETE

We had a wonderful time at the Christmas Fete. We would like to thank everybody on the PTA committee who worked very hard to ensure the children all had a great time, and the total amount raised for all Christmas activities and events was £2562.95. This will go towards the library revamping. Thank you to all of you who have donated over the last year.

#### COVID UPDATE

We will be continuing at Wentworth Primary School, with the same Covid Procedures as before Christmas and outlined in our Risk assessment online, until we are informed differently by the Department of Education. This will include the following

- Face coverings to be worn in school by all visitors and staff in communal areas
- Hand sanitising
- Ventilating classrooms – please ensure that your child wears layers under their uniform

The Department for Education has informed us to expect a significant increase in staff absences. In the latest guidance dated 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2022, they have advised us *to use existing teaching, temporary and support staff more flexibly where required to ensure your setting remains open. As pupils do not need to be kept in consistent groups, you may wish to consider combining classes.*

This may involve your child being taught by staff other than the class teacher. We will do our utmost to ensure that pupils are in school to learn. However, there may come a time when we would have to move to remote learning with pupils being taught from home. I am sure you will support us in the move to remote education if the staffing levels were as such that is unsafe to continue.

It may be necessary for clubs, homework, change of reading books and areas of the curriculum, etc to be temporarily on hold in order to maintain pupils in school as we redeploy staff.

As we start the term we are already aware of several members of staff who have contracted Covid.

If your child shows symptoms please book a PCR test and isolate until you get the result. If possible please do a lateral flow test on your child before they return to school in order to keep everyone safe.

### YEAR 3 CAROL SERVICE

Year 3 sang the Christmas carols so beautifully on Friday 10th December to Parents/Carers and on Monday 13th December to the whole school.

### YEAR 2 CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCE

Year 2's Christmas production of Baubles was performed amazingly by all the children at both Productions.

### FOUNDATION & YEAR 1

Both Foundation and Year 1 all looked lovely in their nativity costumes.

It was really lovely being able to welcome parents/carers back into the school to see the children performing.

### PTA EVENTS FOR SPRING TERM

Film Night in classes will be held Thursday 3rd February, Family Magic Night Saturday 26th February, Mothers Day stalls Tuesday 22nd & Thursday 24th March and Quiz Night Friday 25th March. Details of all these events will be sent home soon.

### WORLD BOOK DAY

We will be celebrating World book Day on Thursday 3rd March, by dressing as our favourite book characters. It is lovely to see the children's imaginations run wild with their costumes and look forward to seeing them all on the day.

### PARKING & SUPERVISION OF CHILDREN

Please do not park on double yellow lines, on the corners of the road or across neighbours driveways. Also do not stop your car outside the school and allow children to get out on the road. We would also request that all children are supervised while arriving and leaving school, especially toddlers. It is very busy with traffic at these times and therefore the roads are very dangerous.

### CITIZENS OF THE TERM

The following pupils have been awarded Citizen of the Term by their classmates and teacher. This is for being a good role model to others and excelling over the term.

**6T** Daniel, **6K** Kelsie, **5P** Amelia, **5TL** Trevor, **4P** Finley, **4S** Evie, **3N** Emilio, **3A** Ariella, **2HE** Mark, **2W** Esmee, **1S** Jenson, **1QM** Harley, **F1** Sophia, **F2** Jude.

### HOW MANY DAYS OFF?

The impact absence has on your attendance  
Attendance Levels

100% Attendance = 0 days off

95% Attendance = 10 days off

90% Attendance = 20 days off

85% Attendance = 30 days off

80% Attendance = 40 days off



Below 90% Unsatisfactory

91—95% Cause for concern

96—98% Good

99—100% Excellent

### **MRS CRAVEN'S AFTER SCHOOL & LUNCHTIME SPORTS CLUBS**

Mrs Craven will resume after school clubs the week commencing 10th January 2022. We have used the Parent App this term for parents to register their child for a place at the clubs. If your child was unsuccessful they will be placed on a waiting list and you will be informed if a place becomes available via the Parent App.

### **BUILDING WORKS**

The School will begin building works on Saturday 8th January. This will commence with scaffolding of the Viking building to replace the roof and windows.

<b>20th Dec to 4th Jan</b>	<b>CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS</b>
	<b>SPRING TERM 2022</b>
4th January	<b>Inset day</b> – No Pupils
5th January	Pupils back to school.
21st January	PTA Bingo night
3rd February	PTA Film Night in classes
<b>14th –18th February</b>	<b>HALF TERM</b>
21st February	Pupils back to school.
26th February	PTA Magic Night
28th February	Book Fair—3.15pm Mill Hall
1st March	Book Fair—3.15pm Mill Hall
2nd March	Book Fair—3.15pm Mill Hall
3rd March	World Book Character dress up day
22nd & 24th March	Mothers' Day PTA stalls
25th March	PTA Quiz Night
30th & 31st March	<b>PARENT CONSULTATIONS – School Cloud</b> <b>Wednesday 30th March 3.00 – 5.20pm</b> <b>Thursday 31st March 3.00 – 5.20pm</b>
4th April - 18th April	<b>Easter Hoildays</b>
19th April	<b>Inset Day</b> —No pupils
20th April	Pupils back to school