

Newsletter



10th January 2014

Happy New Year & Welcome Back!



A very warm welcome back to School and Happy New Year to all the parents I have not managed to speak to yet! I am delighted to be writing to you as the new Headteacher of WPS and have been very touched by your many messages of congratulations and kind wishes.

I would like to extend a warm WPS welcome to three new families this week. Welcome to Louis and Coby in KG and Harry in Reception. The children have settled in very well and are already busy making lots of new friends.

As always, we have a busy and exciting term ahead. The Form 6 pupils are, of course, currently undertaking their Entrance Examinations. They have worked incredibly hard and we wish them every success in the coming weeks. I would like to thank Mrs Hughes, Miss Ramsay and all the staff who have taught them on their WPS journey so far.

All clubs and activities begin next week and we are looking forward to enjoying the numerous activities on offer. Notable events this half term include the F5 & 6 trip to 'Macbeth' (see the note from Mrs Hughes overleaf), F3 Ancient Greek Day (11th February), F1 & 2 trip to Manchester Airport (11th February), the Book Fair (arrives 29th January) and the Valentines Disco (14th February). Further details will be sent out about these events along with our extensive Sporting Fixtures, as we progress through term.

All good wishes for an enjoyable and successful term. As always, if you have any queries or questions, please do not hesitate to contact myself or Mrs Penn.

Helen Rigby

Changes to Toast

Natalie and her team at Holiday Zone have had a very busy first week, after taking over the running of Toast this term. They will continue to build on their high standards of care, making sure that children are fed and have a quiet place to complete any homework before they are collected at the end of the day.



All parents should by now have received a Handbook, together with Booking and Registration Forms for Toast. There is a box in the Entrance Hall for any forms to be returned and the staff at Toast are more than happy to answer any queries that you might have about this transition. Please remember that you should now book directly with Holiday Zone and that unfortunately Toast cannot accept children without a completed Registration Form.

Stars of the Week

Congratulations to Form 6, Freya W, Georgia, Gabriella, Lydia, Gabrielle and Ophelia for being this week's Stars. Well done for all of your hard work.



What's On Next Week?

Monday 13th

Clubs and activities begin

12.35pm School Council (F2-6)

12.35pm F5&6 Team Practices

3.30—4.15pm F1&2 Library Club

4-5pm F5&6 Sports Club

Tuesday 14th

8am F4 Prep Club

8.10am F5 Prep Club

12.35pm F4-6 Recorders

2.30-3pm Kg & Rec Stretch & Grow

3.30-4.30pm F1&2 Sports Club

4-5pm F3-6 Orchestra

Wednesday 15th

12.35pm Chamber Choir

12.40pm Chess Club

2.30-3pm Kg Ballet

4-4.30pm F1&2 Street Dance

4-5pm F5&6 Fixtures

Thursday 16th

8am F3-6 Judo Starts

12.35pm Rec-F2 Puzzle Club

12.35pm Friday Fiddlers

3.30-4.15pm Rec—F2 Football

4.15-5pm F3-5 Football

4-5pm F6 Maths Club (optional)

Friday 17th

10.40am F3-6 Library Club

4-5pm F3&4 Sports Club

Fixture Change

The U11 Netball match v Bridgewater on Wednesday 15th January will now take place at WPS. The match will be in the Sports Hall from 3.30pm onwards.

Clubs

All of our clubs and activities start next week. Forms for clubs run by external providers should be returned together with payment please. If you need any additional forms please see Mrs Penn in the Office.

F5&6 Shakespeare Trip

Just to confirm that the date for the trip to the Lowry to see Macbeth takes place on Wednesday 22nd January, rather than the date published in the calendar. Apologies for any inconvenience.

Uniform

Please can you check that all uniform is named and all kit is in School, including art overalls. Trainers should be plain white with non-marking soles. Please can you also make sure that children have hats, scarves, gloves and wellies in School next week in preparation for any inclement weather.

Instrumental Lessons

There have been a number of children arriving for music lessons this week without their music. Please can you help to support our music staff by making sure that your child comes prepared with any books that they may require for their lessons. Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Merits and Courtesies

Bronze Merit

F4 Georgia, Olivia

F3 Scarlett, Sofia, Isabella, Lily-Ella

Bronze Courtesy

F3 Scarlett, Hallie, Lily-Ella, Sophie

Congratulations

To Jessica B in Form 6, who gained a Merit in her Guitar Grade 1 examination at her exam in December of last year.

Brainteaser of the Week

Which grow faster—fingernails or toenails?

Happy Birthday to . . .

Georgie in Kg, who was 4 on Tuesday



GOOD
LUCK!

TO THE FORM 6 GIRLS TAKING THEIR
ENTRANCE EXAMS THIS MONTH