

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

School Value: PERSEVERANCE

Children in Year 4 have really understood the importance of persevering and getting through the learning dip this half term. Here are a few of their posters to help them remember:



A note from the Headteacher

As my first term at Wisborough Green comes to the end, I would like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to all the parents and carers who have made me feel so welcome and have supported the school through a difficult time. It is a joy to work with such fantastic children, staff, families and governors and I cannot wait to start the next exciting term (after a short rest!). I wish you all a very happy and healthy Christmas and New Year and hope you cherish every moment with your families during the Christmas break.

The staff have created a Christmas video for you all to enjoy!! <https://youtu.be/ZBMRvLkldYg>

Christmas Traditions

We decided to start a new tradition this year at Wisborough Green – each class decorated their classroom door with a Christmas theme and the PTA kindly provided prizes for everyone who took part as well as the winning entry! Here are the top three:



Forest School

Next half-term, Years 1, 3, 4 and Reception will continue with their weekly Forest School sessions. **Year 2** will have a break during the Spring term and will be spending more time catching up with English and Maths as well as taking part in science investigations, so they will not need to bring a change of clothes each Tuesday.

Physical Education (PE)

During the Autumn term, each class has been taking part in one outdoor PE session per week, along with the daily active mile. Unfortunately restrictions mean that we are still unable to have indoor PE sessions, but we are looking at ways that more outdoor sessions can be provided instead. PE and healthy activities are an important part of your children's education and we are keen to develop the children's sports skills. We will let you know as soon as additional equipment has been obtained and further sessions have been organised.

Changes to Drop-Off and Pick-Up

****Closure of car drop-off and pick-up: January 2021****

Don't forget that, from January, all drop-off and pick-up at school will be on foot. Drop-off and pick-up times will remain the same, as will the one-way system (enter via School Road in the morning; enter via Newpound Lane at the end of the day).

We politely request that adults are kept to one per family and that masks are worn at all times on the school grounds. Please avoid congregating with other parents and leave the playground swiftly.

As there will be a member of staff on the gate each morning, parents of Key Stage Two children may wish to drop their child close to the School Lane entrance and allow them to enter the school playground by themselves. Please note that parents and carers are responsible for their child's safety until they enter the school grounds.

Wraparound Care

Since the departure of Treetops during the Summer term we have continued to search for an alternative provider. Understandably, many companies are reluctant to provide a new service within the current 'bubble' restrictions and so will not commit at this time. We have, however, found one company that are considering our request. It is possible that, should an agreement be made, minimum numbers will be required for it to be viable. We are currently negotiating a way forward and will keep you fully informed if this becomes a likely option. Unfortunately, this still means that we will be starting the new term in January without wraparound facilities. Please be assured that we are continuing our search for a solution.

Headlice

Unfortunately, we have recently had another outbreak of headlice so please will you check your child's hair over the holidays and treat if necessary, before returning to school. Thank you!

Nativity

We would like to say a big well done to the children, staff and PTA for producing such a fantastic nativity play under such unusual circumstances. We would also like to say a special thank you to Immy in Year 2 who not only played her part beautifully but also stepped in as a main character on the day to cover for another main role and knew all the words off by heart. What a star!



Cake Raffle

To find out the winners of our last fabulous cake raffle of the term, please visit our new Twitter page @WisGreenPrimary. Once again, thank you to all our star bakers this term!

Census Day Menu

Our next Census day hot lunch is on Thursday 21st January. It really helps with our funding if as many children as possible have a hot meal this day. For KS1 children, please email the office if your child usually has a packed lunch

but would like a hot meal this day – so we can add them to our order. For KS2 children, please order directly with Chartwells. More information can be found [here](#).

Covid-19 tests during the Christmas holidays

Should your child receive a positive Covid test result during the school holidays, please let us know immediately via the Covid hotline email below. If a Wisborough Green child tests positive between Friday 18th Dec and Friday 25th December, parents and carers of children in that bubble will be informed via email.

Covid Hotline – If you receive a positive Covid result for your child during the holidays, please email covid19@wisboroughgreenschool.org.uk straight away.

Please note that the school will reopen on Monday 4th January.



Have a lovely Christmas!

