



# West End Primary School

## Newsletter

## 29 September 2021

### Harvest

As part of our annual Harvest festival celebrations we will be collecting tins and packets of non-perishable food which will be donated to a local food bank to support members of the community who may be going through difficult times right now. If you would like to make a donation please send it to school week beginning 11 October. This will give us time to leave it for 72 hours before handing it on to the food bank. Please check the best before dates on any items you send. Thank you for your support.



### Curriculum Information



Unfortunately we were unable to hold our Meet the teacher meetings this term, however, your child's class teacher will have sent you some information about your child's new class and what you can expect this year. Teachers have also uploaded medium and long term curriculum plans to the website. You will find these in the Teaching and learning tab under Curriculum at [www.westend.northumberland.sch.uk](http://www.westend.northumberland.sch.uk)

### Parent Consultations

We will be sending a Google form soon to ask your views on whether you would prefer online or face to face parent consultation meetings this term. Please keep an eye out for this and respond as soon as possible so that we can make an informed decision.



### School Photographer



The photographer will be in school on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> and Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October. You will be sent more information nearer the time. Please look out for it so you can be sure we will comply with your wishes.

### Kitchen Assistant Job

We have recently advertised for a kitchen assistant to work 10 hours per week. If you know anyone who might be interested please direct them to [https://www.northeastjobs.org.uk/job/Catering\\_Assistant/213465](https://www.northeastjobs.org.uk/job/Catering_Assistant/213465)  
The deadline for applications is Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October.



## Theatre Trips



You will notice from the diary dates below that we have arranged for Years 1 to 5 to visit Whitley Bay Playhouse and for Year 6 to visit the Theatre Royal to see the pantomime. These trips were arranged for last year and have been carried forward. We will be making arrangements for Nursery and Reception to have a similar Christmas treat soon. More information will be sent out nearer the time.

## Year 6 Applications for Secondary School Places

If you have a child in Year 6 you should complete the application for a secondary place via the portal at

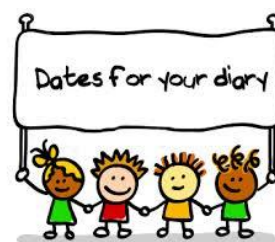
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The closing date for applications is 31<sup>st</sup> October. Please make sure you complete your application before the deadline to have the best chance of getting your preferred school place.



## Diary Dates

**There will be many more events and activities taking place this term so please watch out for further information.**



Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> October

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> October

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> October

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October

Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> October

Poplar Class Cragside trip

Oak and Chestnut Classes Cragside trip

Year 3 and Year 4 Victorian Day

Year 1 Jobs day

Photographer in school

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Break up for half term

Portal closes for Secondary School applications - current Year 6

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> November

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> November

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November

Mon 29<sup>th</sup> Nov to Wed 1<sup>st</sup> Dec

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December

School re-opens

Parent consultations (format to be decided)

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Year 6 trip to the Theatre Royal Pantomime

Year 5 Robinwood residential

Years 1 and 2 trip to Whitley Bay Playhouse Pantomime

Years 3, 4 and 5 trip to Whitley Bay Playhouse Pantomime

Break up for Christmas holidays

Yours sincerely

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