

West End First School Newsletter



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Goodbye for Now



As you may know Mrs Hedley has not been teaching a class this term and has been supporting children in Years 2, 3 and 4 with small group work instead. This is because she will be leaving us tomorrow to start a sabbatical in France. She will be returning next September. I am sure you will join us in wishing her all the best for her new adventure.

Parent Survey

Thank you to all of those parents who completed and returned our parent survey. We are delighted with the responses we have received and will be sharing the final collated data with you soon. The prize draw for returned surveys was made on Friday 20th October and the winner was Mrs Maughan.

PTFA Hallowe'en Disco

A big thank you to the PTFA for all of their hard work in organising the Hallowe'en disco which was a great success and had record attendance. We will let you know the final figure raised soon. The PTFA worked extremely hard to provide this fabulous event for the children and without their efforts these activities simply could not take place. We are very grateful for all they do to raise funds to support the additional activities that take place in school as well as providing treats for the children. We are also grateful for the support you give to these events. If you feel you can offer more support to the PTFA please let the school office know. It may be helping out at a disco or painting nails and applying tattoos on a fun day or just an hour in the evening making up Christmas treats such as snowman soup.

Relaxed Gallery

Don't forget that you are invited to see the children's Arts Week work at our relaxed gallery this Friday 3rd November between 2:45 and 3:10. The children will share their work with you and then tidy up when the gallery closes at 3:10. You will be able to pick them up outside at the usual time.



Winning House Autumn Term A

Congratulations to Humford House for earning the most house points last half term. They will decide their reward this week and whatever they choose will take place on Friday 10th November. Humford House members will also be able to come to school in non-uniform on that day.

Christmas Performances



The dates and times for our Christmas performances are below. Please look out for further information regarding tickets nearer the time.

Tues 12 th December 9:20am	Key Stage 1 and 2 Nativity	Holly Class parents
Tues 12 th December 2:00pm	Key Stage 1 and 2 Nativity	Hazel Class parents
Wed 13 th December 9:20am	Key Stage 1 and 2 Nativity	Sycamore Class parents
Fri 15 th December 10:00am	Key Stage 2 Carol Concert	Year 3 parents
Fri 15 th December 2:00pm	Key Stage 2 Carol Concert	Year 4 parents
Tues 19 th December 9:30am	Reception Nativity	Beech Class parents
Wed 20 th December 9:30am	Reception Nativity	Willow Class parents

Diary Dates

There are a lot of new dates for your diary below and we will be adding more all the time. We will send out more detailed information nearer each event. Information will also appear on the school website and we will put some reminders on our Twitter feed and via text messages, however we will still need you to complete permission slips so you will receive separate letters about some of these events. **Please check your child's bag every day. New dates are printed in bold and information about all of our Christmas events will be sent out nearer the time.**



Tues 31 st Oct	Year 1 Laing Art gallery visit
Wed 1 st Nov	Year 2 Laing Art Gallery visit
Wed 1 st Nov	Parent and child activity afternoon
Thurs 2 nd Nov	Year 4 Baltic visit
Thurs 2 nd Nov	Parent and child activity afternoon
Fri 3 rd Nov	Year 3 Hatton Gallery visit AM
Fri 3rd Nov	Relaxed gallery 2:45 – 3:10
Tues 7 th Nov	Year 4 Miniband workshop (information to follow)
Wed 8 th Nov	Year 3 E-safety workshops
Thurs 9 th Nov	Year 4 E-safety workshops
Fri 10th Nov	Humford House party and non-uniform day
Wed 15 th Nov	Flu immunisations Nursery to Year 4 (information to follow)
Thurs 16 th Nov	Reception vision screening (information to follow)
Fri 17 th Nov	Children in Need (information to follow)
Wed 22 nd Nov	Reception parents phonics workshop 6:00pm
Thurs 23 rd Nov	Reception parents phonics workshop 9:00am
Tues 28 th Nov	PTFA fun day (information to follow)
Thurs 30 th Nov	Year 4 Be Safe workshops
Tues 5 th Dec	Reception theatre trip
Thurs 7 th Dec	Year 1 theatre trip
Mon 11 th Dec	Nursery panto company visit
Tues 12 th Dec	Year 3 and 4 theatre trip
Tues 12 th Dec	Years 1 and 2 nativity AM and PM

Wed 13 th Dec	Years 1 and 2 nativity AM
Wed 13 th Dec	Christmas lunch
Wed 13 th Dec	Christmas Jumper day
Wed 13 th Dec	House Christmas craft event
Thurs 14 th Dec	Year 2 theatre trip
Thurs 14 th Dec	Year 1 Christmas party
Fri 15 th Dec	Years 3 and 4 carol concert AM and PM
Fri 15 th Dec	Nursery Christmas party
Tues 19 th Dec	Reception nativity AM
Tues 19 th Dec	Year 4 India day
Wed 20 th Dec	Reception nativity AM
Thurs 21 st Dec	Year 2 Christmas party AM
Thurs 21 st Dec	Year 3 Christmas party PM
Fri 22 nd Dec	Reception Christmas party AM
Fri 22 nd Dec	Year 4 Christmas party AM

Yours sincerely

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