



Walton-le-Dale

Wednesday Weekly Newsletter

"Through working together, the best is yet to come"

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Dear Parents,

MESSAGE OF THE WEEK

Please can all parents show absolute consideration and awareness when dropping off and parking at the front and rear of the school. An incidence of parents parking on the yellow zigzags has been photographed and reported this morning. This is a safety issue for all other children and parents crossing Severn Drive and is illegal. In addition, there was a reported incident of a parent driving on the Danesway cul-de-sac, verbally insulting another pedestrian parent this morning. The cul-de-sac on Danesway, by the rear school gate, should remain completely clear of vehicles, allowing a safe passageway for all children and parents entering and leaving the school by foot.

PHONICS TESTING FOR OUR CURRENT YEAR 2 CHILDREN

Mr Shields and Mrs Beswick will be administering a phonics screening check for all Year 2 children this Friday. We hope to complete this on the same day but will finish them next week if necessary. This check usually takes place for all Year 1 children in the summer term each year, but was not possible owing to the summer lockdown. These assessments are collected nationally so it is important that they are not missed.

GREET YOUR CHILD WITH A SMILE NOT A MOBILE

We are finding that it is more difficult to recognise parents of our younger children when you are collecting them due to you all wearing facemasks. Having parents' full attention when we open the doors and looking for their child would be very helpful. At the end of the school day, your children have lots to share with you.

They may have stickers, they may have learned something exciting that they would like to tell you about, or they may just be tired and want a cuddle! Please, leave your phones in your pockets for 10 minutes while you greet your child.



PTFA CHRISTMAS

Despite the difficulties our PTFA are having working around COVID, they are determined to keep working to provide some festive cheer!

Raffle

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We are not able to hold our usual events, but we would love to offer you the chance to win a number of luxury and high quality hampers which we usually prepare at this time of year with your help. They will be well worth winning and usually last you well beyond Christmas. Raffle tickets are available via Parent Pay.

We would hugely appreciate your help with donating any items over the course of the week beginning the **23rd – 27th November**. All donations can be left in the green plastic trays left outside your classroom each morning during the week. We do not expect a donation each day, but whatever you can offer will be appreciated! These items will be stored and quarantined appropriately before being used.

Monday 23rd will be used to collect **TOILETRIES** (perfumes, aftershaves, Lynx box sets, deodorants, soaps etc.)

Tuesday 24th will be used to collect **SEALED FOODS** (tinned tuna or salmon, nuts, crisps, dates, chocolates etc.)

Wednesday 25th will be used to collect small **GAMES** and Christmas **STOCKING ITEMS** (felt tips, crayons, pencils, colouring books, packs of cards, travel games etc.)

Thursday 26th will be used to collect bottles of **WINE or other bottled drinks**

Friday 27th – children will be invited to dress as they like for £1 (cash only, pay on the day)

Christmas Craft- HOME 'ELF WORKSHOP'

The PTFA would like to organise a Christmas craft event for your child /children to take part in at home.

This year we are sending the craft to you! The craft activities will come with everything you need to complete them, and be sent home via your child / children's classroom in a zip-closed bag, which will have their name on and has already had the 72 hours quarantine required.

If you would like your child / children to partake in this activity then please log on to Parentpay, select the payment item 'Christmas Craft' and provide us with your child's name and class. The bag of craft activities is £3.50 per child.

If you wish to pay cash rather than use Parentpay, please put your £3.50 payment in an envelope marked 'Christmas Craft' and write on the name of each child and their class. This should be posted in the post boxes located by each classroom door.

Please make your payment by Friday 20th November.

If you have any question about the PTFA Christmas Events please email wldps.ptfa@gmail.com

TOY DONATIONS

The whole of Breakfast and After School Club would like to say a big thank you to all the families that have donated toys to them. It is very much appreciated.

They would welcome any more donations of toys. Please give directly to the club or into the office. We will of course be sterilising all toys given to school.

PARENTS' EVENING - WEDNESDAY 25TH AND THURSDAY 26TH NOVEMBER

Parents' Evening this term will be a little different. We are going to hold virtual parents' evenings via Zoom on Wednesday 25th and Thursday 26th November after school. Please book your appointment if you have not already done so via the link that was emailed and/or texted to you before Thursday 19th November.

BAMBER BRIDGE SPORTS SHOP – SCHOOL UNIFORM

In response to the government lockdown announcement, the uniform shop has been temporarily been closed.

For any orders, queries or quotes please contact Julie on:

Facebook- Bamber Bridge Sports

Twitter- BamberBrigSports

Email- bamberbridgesports@gmail.com

Website- bamberbridgesports.com

For any orders of school wear, delivery can be arranged into school or by appointment from the shop.

Other items can be ordered using the above contacts and Julie can arrange for you to collect from the shop.

CURRENT TRIPS & PAYMENTS AVAILABLE TO PAY ON PARENTPAY

The following items can be paid for on Parentpay –

Nursery Fees

Lunch Payments

Breakfast Club

After School Club

Year 6 Boreatton Park - interim payment

PTFA Events

Yours sincerely,

C J Shields

Wednesday 18 th November	Adrian Bowden's Science Show
Thursday 19 th November	Adrian Bowden's Science Show
Monday 23 rd to Thursday 26 th November	PTFA collections of toiletries, sealed foods, small games and stocking fillers & wine
Wednesday 25 th November	Vision Screening – Year 1 Parents' Evening- via Zoom
Thursday 26 th November	Parents' Evening- via Zoom
Friday 27 th November	PTFA 'Dress As You Like' Day for £1
Friday 11 th December	Christmas Jumper Day – Save the Children – optional £1 donation

SUPER PUPILS

Congratulations to our "Super Pupils" from last week:

Bison Class- Kayden

Manatee Class- Sherif

Falcon Class- Daisy

Eagle Class- Jayden

Jaguar Class- Max

Leopard Class- Macey

Loris Class- Kelsey

Kakapo Class- Faye

Gorilla Class- Ellie



Orangutan Class- Lily
Elephant Class- Caleb
Rhinoceros Class- Sophia