



Walton-le-Dale

Wednesday Newsletter

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

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HARVEST DONATIONS – SUPPORTING OUR LOCAL FOODBANK

Today Joan, a representative of the Browndage Church Foodbank, visited us for our assembly and collected all the foods kindly donated by you. Five cars were all filled with your donated foods! The volunteers of the Browndage Foodbank were incredibly grateful for your kindness and very much appreciated the huge donation, which will fully restock their reserves in the run up to Christmas.



TEMPEST PHOTOGRAPHY – INDIVIDUAL AND SIBLING PHOTOGRAPHS

Next **Friday 22nd October**, Tempest Photography will be visiting the school and taking individual photographs for all children throughout the morning and sibling photographs that are requested by you throughout the afternoon. **Please click the link below to inform our office if you wish your children to have a sibling photograph.**

<https://forms.gle/X8Q4VAR3XpFgnLp16>

Family photographs will only be able to be taken if parents complete this form by the end of **Tuesday 19th October**, next week. **We can only include children on the family photographs if they attend our school or our nursery class.** You do not need to complete the form if you only want an individual photograph.

Unfortunately, there will be no Celebration Assembly event next Friday afternoon, owing to the halls being required to carry out these photographs.

PTFA- JAR DONATIONS

The PTFA are holding a craft session for many of our children next Thursday. They would welcome donations of glass jars e.g. jam or pasta sauce jars. These jars are essential for one of the craft ideas that the children will be enjoying. The lids are not needed, but do please send in as many jars as soon as possible to the main entrance and place them in the allocated crates. So many thanks!

BORWICK HALL – YEAR 4- DEADLINE 22ND OCTOBER

The Borwick Hall visit for Year 4 has been booked for 21st – 22nd April 2022 and the cost is £108. Included in this price are all activities, insurance, transport to and from the centre and meals during the stay. To secure your child's place, please pay the non-refundable deposit of **£35.00 by Friday 22 October 2021**. We request that all payments are made on Parent Pay.

IS YOUR CHILD ELIGIBLE FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS?

We feel that there may be parents at our school who are not claiming their entitlement to free school meals. Claiming is a straightforward and confidential process which may benefit both your family and the school.

To register for Free School Meals simply fill out the form at the link below:

https://lancashire-self.achieveservice.com/service/Free_school_meals_and_pupil_premium

Your child will be eligible for free school meals if you receive any of the following:

- Universal Credit and your household income after tax is less than £7400 per year (not including any benefits you get)
- Child Tax Credit (provided you are not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's allowance
- Income Support
- Income related Employment and Support allowance
- The guaranteed element of pension credit
- Asylum seeker support

You should still register for Free School Meals if your child is receiving their free school dinner because they are in the infants (Universal Free School Meals). School receives Pupil Premium Funding for each child that receives free school meals. This funding is used in a variety of ways including catch-up groups for children who have fallen behind in Maths or English, additional 1:1 reading sessions or speech and language support. The more

pupils we have that are eligible for Free School Meals, the more vital funding the school will receive to support children's learning and well-being.

Registering for Free School Meals does not mean that your child has to take a school meal at lunch time. They can still bring in a packed lunch but the funding which school receives may support your child in other ways as outlined above.

If you have more than one child in school you will need to apply for each individual child. If you prefer you can also ask the school office for an application form and return the form to the office. Please get in touch if you have any questions related to Free School Meals or Pupil Premium Funding.

POSITIVE COVID CASES AMONGST PUPILS – WHAT TO DO IN THE EVENT

A small number of positive cases are occurring amongst our children presently.

This message is to inform you, in advance, of what to do - should a case occur in your child's class. Please read this information and be vigilant for any symptoms occurring with your child.

Your child should continue to attend school as long as they do not display symptoms.

Even without symptoms, your child is eligible to take a PCR test if they are a close contact.

Temperature, persistent cough, loss of taste or smell: If your child starts with any of these symptoms they must immediately isolate and take a PCR test. A home lateral flow test is not adequate with these symptoms.

Headache, sore throat, runny nose, nausea, diarrhoea, a general feeling of being unwell: If your child starts with any of these symptoms we would strongly advise taking your child for a PCR test or a home lateral flow test. A PCR will always be most accurate.

In addition, please contact the school office for advice.

If NHS Test & Trace contact you, their requirements supersede our own guidelines. Please contact the school if this occurs.

NASAL FLU VACCINE- RECEPTION, YEAR 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6

If you would like your child to receive the nasal flu vaccine in school, please follow this link to complete an online consent form <https://www.nhsimms.uk/FLU/information?id=119286&Type=FLU>

The vaccinations will take place at school on Friday 12th November. The link will close on Tuesday 2nd November. If your child has already had the Nasal Flu vaccine since September 2021 please disregard this message.

If you have any problems accessing the link please telephone 0333 358 3397, option 3.

WATER POLO CLUB - WEDNESDAYS AT 6.30PM

I am pleased to let you know that Mr. Daubney will be available to deliver a Water Polo Club on Wednesdays at 6.30pm. This club is running for 9 weeks starting 15th September and will cost £45. The full amount must be paid before the first lesson. Please note payment is non-refundable. If you are interested in your child taking up these sessions, please contact the office for availability. These sessions are to be for confident swimmers only.

CURRENT TRIPS & PAYMENTS AVAILABLE TO PAY ON PARENTPAY

The following may be paid for using Parentpay –

Nursery Fees

Lunch Payments

Breakfast Club Payments

After School Club Payments

PGL Boreatton Park – Year 6

Borwick Hall – Year 4

Yours sincerely,

C J Shields

Thursday 14 th October	Football Team Competition – Central Venue 4-6pm Westway Sports Hub PR7 6DJ
Thursday 21 st October	Football Team Competition – Central Venue 4-6pm Westway Sports Hub PR7 6DJ PTFA Craft Session in the KS2 Hall – End of school to 4.45pm
Friday 22 nd October	Tempest Photos Break for half term at 3.20pm
Friday 5 th November	PTFA Dress Down Day – Hamper fillers
Monday 6 ^{pm} November	PTFA Meeting 6pm
Wednesday 10 th November	British Legion Assembly with Michael Turner
Friday 12 th November	PTFA School Uniform 'Break the Rules' Dress Day – Wine/Spirits/Non Alcoholic drink bottle donations
Wednesday 17 th November	Virtual Parents' Evening (Parental Choice)
Thursday 18 th November	Face to Face Parents' Evening (Parental Choice)
Friday 19 th November	PTFA Mad Hair Day – Chocolate Donations
Monday 29 th November	Full Governors' Meeting 5.30pm
Monday 22 nd November	Adrian Bowden Science Shows
Friday 26 th November	PTFA – Pyjamas Day – Hamper food donations
Monday 29 th November	Full Governor Meeting 5.30pm
Monday 6 th December	Assessment Week
Thursday 9 th December	Infant Disco 5 – 6pm Junior Disco 6.30 – 7.30pm
Tuesday 14 th December	Hobgoblin Theatre Company – King Arthur (performances for KS1 and KS2) Christmas Hamper Draw
Thursday 16 th December	Breakfast with Santa 8am
Friday 17 th December	Breakfast with Santa 8am Christmas Jumper Day Class parties and entertainment
Monday 20 th December	End of Term – 1.15pm

SUPER PUPILS

Congratulations to our "Super Pupils" from last week:

Bison Class- James

Manatee Class- William



Falcon Class- Esther

Eagle Class-Mia

Jaguar Class- Abdullah

Leopard Class- Billy

Loris Class- Alexandria

Kakapo Class- Skye

Gorilla Class- Olly

Orangutan Class- Elsie

Elephant Class- Isabel

Rhinoceros Class- Lily-Mae