



Walton-le-Dale

Wednesday Weekly Newsletter

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Dear Parents,

MESSAGE OF THE WEEK

If you can, please try make the time to meet your new teachers! There have been and will be short meetings after school to grab the chance to meet your children's teacher and put a face to their name. See below.

WELFARE VACANCY

A new vacancy has become available to work during the lunchtime period with our infant children. This post will be £8.75 per hour for 7 hours each week. The times are 11.30-1.00pm Monday to Thursday and 12- 1pm on Friday. If you are interested in applying for this, please contact the office for an application form. Applications must be made by this Friday, 21st September.

PIANO LESSONS – PLACES AVAILABLE FOR JUNIOR CHILDREN

We are very lucky to have an exceptional piano teacher (Mr Matthew Thomas) who works with our children and staff. If you are interested in your children learning the piano in school, please let the office know and they will provide you with all the information you require. He has some availability and is keen to take on new children who are keen to play.

TEMPEST PHOTOGRAPHY – INDIVIDUAL & FAMILY PHOTOS

Photographs will be taken in school on the 9th October. Individual children's photos will be taken throughout the day as well as photographs with their siblings. These will take place in the infant hall starting with our youngest children until all classes have been completed. If you would like to have a photograph with children that are currently at secondary school or with preschool siblings (including those in our own Nursey), these will be starting at 8.15am.

VOLUNTEERS – READING TO CHILDREN

If you are interested in helping in school, we would very much appreciate your time if you are free to assist on a regular basis? We are primarily keen to have support with reading (with our youngest children) to ensure that they have regular opportunities. This support makes a huge difference to the progress that our children make and we would love to have you visit us. We also require help when we arrange numerous educational visits out of school. Please contact the office if you would be interested in this as we would love to hear from you!

SWIMMING CONTRIBUTIONS – RECEPTION, YEAR 1, YEAR 2 & YEAR 3 CHILDREN

Please could all parents whose children benefit from swimming lessons pay £12 each term through Parentpay. This term's payment is now due. This contribution is absolutely vital to maintain these lessons. Your support with this is very much appreciated.

OPEN DAYS FOR SOUTH RIBBLE HIGH SCHOOLS & ACADEMIES – FYI Y5 & Y6

St.Mary's RC High School, Brownedge – Thursday 27th September 6-9pm

Walton le Dale High School – Monday 17th September 6-8pm

Hutton CE Grammar – Tuesday 25th September 5.30-8.30pm

Priory Sports & Tech College – Thursday 27th September 4.30-8pm

Penwortham Girls High School – Thursday 11th October 6.15-8pm

Lostock Hall Academy – Wednesday 19th September 6-8.30pm

JUJITSU CLUB VACANCIES – NIPPON UK

There has been a super take up and the club is almost full. There are one or two spaces available if you are still interested? Please let the office know if you are.

CLUBS

Clubs will begin next week or the week after. This has allowed us to organise which children will be attending and where the activities will take place around the school. Please be watchful for letters that will be sent home making you and your children aware of what will be going on. A list of our intended clubs has been added below to help. Some of our clubs do take place during the lunchtime break and have not been included below.

Mondays - HITT Workout – Junior Hall – 3.10 – 4.00pm (Mrs Wade & Miss Stevens) **starting W/B 24th September**

Mondays – Weaving for Year 3 – To occur in Orangutan Class Year 2 – 3.10 – 4.00pm (Mrs Hocking)

Mondays - Sewing for Year 5 & 6 – 3.10 – 4pm (Mrs Ormerod)

Mondays - Football for Years 5 & 6 initially – 3.10 – 4.15pm (Mr Moat)

Tuesdays – Jujitsu– All Years – 3.15 – 4.15pm (Nippon UK – Sensei Mark)

Wednesdays – Tag Rugby Club – Juniors – 3.10 – 4.20pm (Mr Johnson)

Wednesdays – Chinese Language – Years 6 initially – 3.15 – 3.45pm Mrs Berry)

Thursdays – Drama Club –Y4 to Y6 – (Miss Keelan) **starting W/B 24th September**

Thursdays – Internet Café – Juniors – 3.10 – 4.15pm (Mr Richardson)

Fridays – Choir – Y3 to Y6 – 3.10 – 4.00pm (Mr Shields)

MEET THE TEACHER

This week we would like to offer you a short opportunity to meet your child's teacher after school at 3.05pm for infants or 3.10pm for juniors. It should take little more than 15-20 minutes. This is purely to put a name to a face and learn some of the essential aspects of your child's school year for whatever year group they may be in.

Year 3 – 6 have already occurred this week.

Thursday 20th Year 2

Thursday 20th Year 1

PE KITS

Please can all PE kits be available in school every day as this seems to solve so many problems! We very much want our children to be dressed appropriately for PE so that they can fully take part. When you decide it is time for a wash, please remove kits from school on a Friday and return them on a Monday. This will not need to be done every week however, particularly for our younger children. We hope that this will help reduce our last minute calls to you to deliver kit at the 11th hour.

CHILDREN DUE TO START HIGH SCHOOL - APPLICATIONS

Parents of children in Year 6 may like to take note that the deadline for applications for your choice of high school is the **31st October**. To apply online, www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools .

Applications for **primary schools** will have to be made by the **15th January 2019**.

REPORTING A CHILD ABSENT

Please do not report your child's absence on Class Dojo as this is designed for sharing children's learning. Instead please ring the school and leave a message on the answer machine. Alternatively you can report your child's absence via email to shodgson@wldps.com or armstrong@wldps.com Thank you.

PLANNED BUILDING WORKS - THE PLAN IS ...

In the next few weeks leading up to half term, we are intending on having further works carried out to improve the school. The Year 3 toilet block and cloak areas will be refurbished and it is planned that all remaining wooden doors and window frames around the school will be replaced with UPVC double glazed sections which should improve our

school enormously. These works are being planned in order to create as little disturbance possible whilst the children are in class. All work affecting classrooms will be carried out over the weekends.

THE READING CLOUD

Our infant and junior children have been introduced to our new 'Reading Cloud' library platform. This is to be found within *Digital Wings* – (www.wldps.com/digitalwings). Your child will need their login details for digital wings to access the **Reading Cloud**. (This will be wld + first name & first letter of surname in most cases e.g. *wldmatthewt.*) Your child will then have their own password which they hopefully should already know! Infants can also login and will be guided through the platform this week. Reading Cloud is a very effective method of getting our children interested in different authors and new books and allows them to reserve books they like within our own library, download over **1000+ eBooks** which we have subscribed to this year and even allows the children to ask the school to buy books they are interested in but we don't already have! They can spend time at home making their profile and avatar to use to identify them when using Reading Cloud. Please have a look at this with your children as it is really impressive and used regularly will do much to help your children develop a love of reading and read more! Children will be returning books independently in their classes using scanners and thumbprint scanners in the library to take out books. We hope to invite you to an 'official launch' session allowing you to see this new resource in action soon.

SCHOOL DINNER PAYMENTS

Please can you ensure that payments are up to date for school dinners. Unfortunately, we do not offer further meals if arrears build up to more than £25. Parents are welcomed to pay in advance for their children's meals through ParentPay to avoid this occurring.

CURRENT TRIPS AVAILABLE TO PAY ON PARENTPAY

The following items can be paid on ParentPay –

Brass tuition - £42 due for this half term

Year 4 - Borwick Hall – to be paid in full by 28th September

China - monthly payments of £84

Nursery Fees

Lunch payments

Year 5 Clitheroe Castle- £5.30

Swimming lessons- Reception to Year 3 £12.00 per term/ £36 for the year

Yours sincerely,

C. Shields

Monday 24 th September	Girls Football Y5/6 – Lostock Hall Academy
Tuesday 25 th – Friday 28 th September	Bikeability Training for Year 6 Manatee Class (PM)
Wednesday 26 th September	Harvest Special Dinner
Monday 1 st October	Central Venue Football Tournament – Lostock Hall Academy
Monday 8 th October	Central Venue Football Tournament – Lostock Hall Academy
Tuesday 9 th October	Tempest Photographs – Family & Individual Photographs PTFA Meeting – 6pm All welcome!
Tuesday 9 th – Friday 12 th October	Bikeability Training for Year 6 Bison Class (PM)
Wednesday 10 th October	Harvest Assembly for Juniors (KS2) – St Aidan's Church (Parents welcome)
Thursday 11 th October	Prospective Parent Open Day – 9.30 – 12.00
Monday 15 th October	Central Venue Football Tournament – Lostock Hall Academy
Thursday 18 th October	PTFA Halloween Disco – Infants 5 – 6pm/ Juniors 6.30 – 7.30pm
Monday 22 nd to Friday 26 th October	Half term break
Monday 29 th October	High Fives (Netball) Tournament – Lostock Hall Academy Borwick Hall Year 4 Parents' Meeting
Thursday 1 st November	Prospective Parent Open Day – 9.30 – 12.00

Monday 5 th November	Bonfire Special Dinner High Fives (Netball) Tournament – Lostock Hall Academy
Wednesday 7 th November	Parents' Evening
Monday 12 th November	High Fives (Netball) Tournament – Lostock Hall Academy
Wednesday 14 th November	Heart Start for Year 6 AM
Tuesday 20 th November	Borwick Hall, Lake District, Residential for Year 4 – Departure 12pm
Wednesday 21 st November	Borwick Hall -Year 4 arrive home at approximately 6pm Heart Start for Year 6 AM
Monday 26 th November	PTFA Christmas Craft session – 3.15 – 4.30pm
Thursday 29 th November	Year 6 visit to Chester Zoo (proposed)
Wednesday 5 th December	Year 5 & 6 Athletics Event – Lostock Hall Academy
Thursday 6 th December	PTFA Christmas Disco - Infants 5 – 6pm/ Juniors 6.30 – 7.30pm
Monday 10 th December	PTFA Christmas Games Night 6pm
Wednesday 12 th December	Governor Resources Committee – 5pm Governor Curriculum Committee – 6pm
Monday 17 th December	Christmas Dinner
Tuesday 18 th December	PTFA Breakfast with Santa – 8am (proposed) Junior Carol Service – Brownedge St Mary's Church
Wednesday 19 th December	PTFA Breakfast with Santa 8am (proposed) Christmas Pantomime – Cinderella – Preston Charter Theatre
Thursday 20 th December	Infant Entertainment Party –AM Junior Entertainment Party - PM
Friday 21 st December	Hobgoblin Theatre Company to present 'The Snow Queen' Infants 9am/Juniors 10.30am End of term 1.15pm
Monday 7 th January	Return to school – Spring Term

SUPER PUPILS

Congratulations to our "Super Pupils" from last week:

Bison Class – Amy

Manatee Class- Kaya

Falcon Class-Max

Eagle Class – Chloe

Jaguar Class –Dylan

Leopard Class- Kieonie

Loris Class- Sonny

Kakapo Class-Holly

Gorilla Class- Lilly

Orangutan Class-Jiya

Elephant Class-Jamie

Rhinoceros Class-Ava



OPEN EVENING

Tuesday 25th September 2018 5:30pm–8:30pm

Head Teacher's talks at 5:45pm, 6:45pm and 7:15pm

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

SCHOOL & ACADEMY PLACES – SEPTEMBER 2019

**Do you have a child due to start
Primary or Secondary School / Academy
in September 2019?**

Do you live in Lancashire?

Apply for a school or academy place online at:
www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools

You must apply if your child has a 4th birthday between 1st September 2018 and 31st August 2019 and/or if your child is in his or her last year of primary school from 3rd September 2018. You must apply even if an older brother or sister is already attending your preferred school or academy.

Non-Lancashire residents must approach their home Local Authority.

CLOSING DATES FOR APPLICATIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 2019

SECONDARY 31 OCTOBER 2018

PRIMARY 15 JANUARY 2019

Please read the admission arrangements carefully for the schools you are interested in applying to. These can be found on our website and/or obtained from the schools.

If transport is a consideration,
please view the home to school transport policy arrangements
at www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools

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