



# Westleigh Methodist Primary School

## Weekly Newsletter: WC 29<sup>th</sup> November



### Headteacher's Update from Mrs Chadwick

Another industrious week in school with children carrying out their termly tests and rehearsing for their Christmas performances. You will find your tickets for the Christmas Performances attached to the letters sent home this week.

I have included some updated information regarding COVID guidelines in this newsletter. Please read this information and be re-assured that as a school we are doing everything possible to ensure the safety of our school community.

### **Key Notices**

- **W/C Monday 6<sup>th</sup> December will be the last week of any after school clubs. No after school clubs or School Led Tutoring will run after Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December.**
- If in the event of ice on the playground, Mrs Hope will place cones out along the path to show where it has been gritted. Please can you ensure your child stays with you on the left hand side and does not cross past the cones.
- Please can we kindly remind you that school is a no smoking or vaping site. Thank you.

### **Dates for your diary**

- **From Monday 29<sup>th</sup> November until Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas raffle tickets are on sale - £1 for a strip.



- **From Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> December** – The Brick Advent event brings. Children to bring in an essential item on their allocated day for The Brick Charity.
- **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December** – Y4 and Y5 Carol Service at 9.30am and 2pm.
- **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December** – After school Craft Club will take place at dinner time, please collect your child at the end of the school day.
- **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> December** – Y3 and Y6 Carol Service at 9.30am and 2pm.
- **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Jumper Day, please bring a monetary donation for this charity.
- **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Dinner Day – children can order a Christmas dinner extra if they don't normally have a hot dinner.
- **W/C 13<sup>th</sup> December** – no after school clubs.
- **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December** – Nursery Christmas Songs at 2.30pm
- **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December** – KS1 Nativity at 9.30am and 2pm
- **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December** – Reception Nativity at 2pm
- **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December** – Star Chart Reward Day
- **Monday 20<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Spectacular Day
- **Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> December** – School Closes at 2pm for Christmas holidays
- **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> January** – Spring term starts for all children.

## Spring Term 2022

<b>Inset Day school closed</b>	<b>Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January</b>
<b>Spring 1 starts</b>	<b>Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> January</b>
<b>Half Term Holiday</b>	<b>Monday 21<sup>st</sup> – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> February</b>
<b>Term 2 starts</b>	<b>Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February</b>
<b>Term ends</b>	<b>Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> April</b>

### **COVID Updates**

- The COVID risk assessment in school has been updated regarding government guidance this week. If you are visiting school for any reason face masks must be worn.
- Children do not need to wear face masks, however adults in school will do so when walking around school, but not in the classrooms.
- As mentioned previously we hope for school productions to go ahead, with limited numbers attending, however if COVID cases rise we will have to move to recording them instead of having visitors in school.
- If your child displays any COVID symptoms then please book them in for a PCR test, this will help to keep our school community safe.
- The [Prime Minister has announced](#) new measures in response to the Omicron variant, including face coverings in shops and on public transport, PCR tests on or before day 2 for all international arrivals and self-isolation for contacts of suspected Omicron cases, including for those who are fully-vaccinated.

### **Attendance Winners**

**Whole School: 93.8%**

This week's Class Attendance Winners are:

**1<sup>st</sup>: Y3 – 99.0%**

**2<sup>nd</sup>: Y1 – 95.4 %**

**3<sup>rd</sup>: Y4 – 95.3%**

### **Worship**



This week in worship we have been exploring Advent. Advent is an important part of the Christian calendar - it means 'coming' and it's the period before Christmas, which celebrates the birth of Jesus.

It is all about preparing for Christmas Day. Advent starts on the Sunday nearest to 30 November. So in 2021, it started on Sunday 28 November and will run until Friday 24 December. We have explored why Christians celebrate Christmas as Christianity focuses on the life and teachings of Jesus

Christ, who Christians believe to be the Son of God. Christmas celebrates Jesus' birth so the Advent period reminds Christians to remember and prepare for those celebrations. We have also discussed the meaning of the Advent wreath, which symbolises the passage of the four weeks of Advent in the liturgical calendar.

### Star of the Week



### Core Values Champion



#### **Year 6**

Megan L for showing a great attitude in our Christmas Carol practice and singing her heart out.

Belle for being a responsible prefect and doing a great job at helping Mrs Rigby.

#### **Year 5**

Madison for showing resilience and determination in her assessments this week.

Sam for always showing respect and demonstrating our Christian values every day.

#### **Year 4**

Mia for a terrific effort with this week's assessments.

Tiana for displaying beautiful kindness to others.

#### **Year 3**

Amy- for always trying her best with all of her learning and being a good friend to others

Keira- for being responsible and reliable all of the time

#### **Year 2**

James G for sounding out all the words in his reading booklet.

Lainey Mae for being resilient with her reading booklet and not giving up!

#### **Year 1**

Alex for making good choices this week – keep it up.

Mia Z for showing resilience when coming into school with a smile on her face.

#### **Reception**

Max for trying his best in phonics.

Parker for being resilient and doing amazing independent writing

#### **Nursery**

Francesca for trying really hard with her Christmas songs.

Skyler for showing resilience during independent tasks.

### Visit our Twitter Pages

Please visit your child's class Twitter page to see all of the amazing work that is happening each week. We are using Twitter to really showcase the incredible curriculum opportunities that our children receive at Westleigh!



Westleigh School: @WLMPrimary

Nursery: @WLMNursery

Reception: @ReceptionWLM

Year 1: @WLMYear1

Year 2: @WLMyear21

Year 3: @WLMYear3

Year 4: @WLMYear4

Year 5: @WLMYear5

Year 6: @WLMYear6