



# Wheatfield Primary School

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### DECEMBER NEWSLETTER



**CHILDREN IN NEED**— A grand total of £449.98 was raised by Wheatfield Primary School on Friday 13th November in aid of Children in Need. The children looked lovely in their onesie's and dressed as superhero's! A big thank you to Ciaran, Lewis, Lauren and Lucy who organised a cake sale in the small hall after school on that day. Everything was sold out in a matter of minutes, especially the cakes! "We didn't think that they would sell out that quickly. We would like to say thank you to everyone for their donations and in total we raised £83.15. We would also like to say thank you to Tillie Walker, who helped sell and make loom bands. Niamh Kelly,

who helped sell, make cookies and loom bands. James Rudrum, who helped make loom bands" said Ciaran after the event. As you will know, all of this money will go to Children in Need, which helps families that need help because their child has a disability. We are proud to help make a difference with all the other people. In total, Children in Need raised around £35 million. Thank you for making a difference! Ciaran. Lewis, Lauren & Lucy.





Thank you to all of Wheatfield Primary school staff, children and parents for their generous contributions and support this year for the Poppy Appeal. This year you helped raise £700.19 plus £102.50 from the cake sale. A grand total of £802.69!! **A fantastic achievement! Very well done to those who helped you to raise such an incredible amount of money for this year's Poppy Appeal!**

A big

**THANK  
YOU**



**Wheatfield Primary School**

for supporting the North Bristol Foodbank.

Your donations make a **BIG** difference to local people in crisis.



North Bristol Foodbank is part of the Trussell Trust's UK wide foodbank network.

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Reception have been thoroughly enjoying their new Superhero topic this term where we have been learning about every day superheroes. One memorable occasion for our classes was when we had a visit from Specsavers opticians who told us all about how they help us. Our children proved to be fantastic learners asking very good questions, just like a true Askaraptor should! After our visit, the opticians were very kind to leave us resources so that we could be opticians ourselves, as well as giving every child a goody bag and donating two class sets of hi-visibility jackets. Thank you very much to all of our Everyday Superheroes who have taken the time out to tell us all about their amazing jobs!



Y6 were brilliant ambassadors for Wheatfield when they participated in South Gloucestershire's Primary Schools Carol Service on Friday 4th December. The service was held at Clifton Cathedral and was attended by almost a 1,000 children from schools across the Local Authority. Wheatfield's Y6 were asked to perform an individual song, 'Tell me a story Shining Star' during the service, which they sang beautifully!



Our choir entertained visitors with 3 seasonal songs at the Christmas Fayre, on Friday 4th December. The Fayre was once again a huge success, thanks to the hard work of the Friends of the School Committee and the staff, parents and our Y6 children who gave generously of their time on Friday evening to help 'run' stalls and clear up at the end of a great evening.



With the end of term rapidly approaching, a few reminders of the events that are happening in school.

**KS1 CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES** are on Wednesday 9th December and Thursday 10th December at 9.30am. Year One parents are invited to attend on Wednesday 9th December and Year Two parents on Thursday 10th December. Parents with children in both year groups are requested to attend only one performance. It will only be possible to accommodate 2 adults (no pre-school children please) at each of the performances.

**KS2 CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS** will take place on the afternoons of Monday 14th December and Wednesday 16th December. Parents who have children in Y3 & Y4 are invited to attend on Monday and Y5 & Y6 on Wednesday. Please note all children will be taking part in both concerts, so parents with children in several classes need only attend on one of the specified days. The performances will start at 2.15pm. Once again it will not be possible to accommodate pre-school children at the performances.

**REMINDER – CHRISTMAS PARTY LUNCH** on **FRIDAY 18TH DECEMBER** will be provided by the school kitchen at a cost of £2.00 per KS2 child (except for those entitled to a free school meal). You are of course still able to send your child into school with a packed lunch on that day, if you would prefer. This will be a fun day for the children, with party games, music and DVD's and will be a non-uniform day! See further information below. Dinner money for the Christmas Party Lunch should be sent into school on Monday 14th December in an envelope clearly marked with your child's name and class or online via SIMS Agora, unless your child is entitled to Free School Meals. Thank you.



### **FRIDAY 18TH DECEMBER— CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY!**

Children are encouraged to come into school in a Christmas jumper (or non-uniform) and to make a donation in aid of the Text Santa fundraiser supporting the following charities! Simple face painting with Mrs Haydon and Year 6 will also be available for a donation of 50p.

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A WISH**



### **SOUTH GLOS ROAD SAFETY WANT YOUR UNWANTED BIKES**

Road safety are part of a new initiative to redistribute bikes within our local community and we invite you to take part. We are looking for unwanted bikes to be donated by you, take your unwanted bike to the collection point at your school before Friday 11th December. All donated bikes we receive will be taken to our workshop at Broadlane, checked over by our qualified mechanic's, refurbished where required and then offered to young people who don't have access to a bike for whatever reason who would like to take part in Bikeability training. Thank you



## **SUPER SCIENCE £10K GIVEAWAY**

A huge thank you to everyone who collected and sent in tokens for our chance to win the Super Science £10k Giveaway. You have raised an impressive 1200 tokens for the prize draw which Mr Bye has sent off. Win or lose, it feels good when we all pulley together. (Apologies from Mr Bye, that was a terrible Engineering joke!)



Congratulations to our kitchen staff who had a Food Hygiene inspection on 25th November 2015. During the inspection, staff were informed they had again received a 5 star rating, the highest achievable. Well done!!

We have been asked by The Castle School in Thornbury to let you know that their Open Evening for 2016 has been set for: **Thursday 29th September 2016.**



**SCHOOL BELL**—From 4 January 2016 we will be re-introducing our school bell to mark the start and end of the school day. This will hopefully help parents identify the start and end of the school day and ensure that children are in class ready to be registered in good time. The bell will sound at 0855. Parents are asked to please ensure that their child(ren) proceed straight to class in order to be registered. Parents are, of course, still welcome to walk their child(ren) into class if they would like to. The doors to the school will be closed at 0900. After this time, parents are kindly requested to bring children to the front entrance for registration from a member of the office staff.



### Bug Club is Back!

FOR KEY STAGE 1 CHILDREN, your teachers will soon be allocating ebooks for you to read online on your Active Learn account.

FOR RECEPTION CHILDREN, you will soon have access to the Active Learn website for lots of ebooks to read at home. Bug Club books are available on iPad with Operating System: iOS 7.0 or above and on Android devices with Operating System: Android 4.1.x Jelly Bean or above.

For full details of system requirements, please refer to the Wheatfield School website.

Reception had a very exciting visit from some firefighters this week, along with their big red fire engine! We learnt about their job, the tools they use and some of us even got to wear some equipment and use a fire hose. Thank you so much for visiting us and to Owen's dad in Year 2 for organising the visit. Don't forget mums and dads to check your smoke alarms are working at home!



**AND FINALLY**—A very Happy Christmas and peaceful New Year to all Wheatfield families. Enjoy the Holiday.

### Dates for the Diary

- Wednesday 9th December—KS1 Christmas Presentation for Year 1 Parents
- Thursday 10th December—KS1 Christmas Presentation for Year 2 Parents
- Monday 14th December—KS2 Christmas Celebrations for Year 3 & 4 Parents
- Wednesday 16th December—KS2 Celebrations for Year 5 & 6 Parents
- Friday 18th December—Christmas Party Lunch
- Friday 18th December—End of Term 2
- Monday 4th January—Start of Term 3
- Monday 18th January - Swimming Week for 5M, 4M & 4H
- Monday 25th January—Swimming Week for 3B
- Monday 1st February—Swimming Week for 3M

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# 5 reasons to vaccinate your child against flu

- The nasal spray helps protect against flu, has been given to millions of children worldwide and has an excellent safety record
  - The nasal spray is painless and easy to have
  - Flu can be really serious, especially for children with medical conditions like heart disease and diabetes
  - If your child gets flu you may have to take time off to look after them
  - Protecting your child can stop flu spreading to other children and the family, especially babies and grandparents, who may be at higher risk from flu.

**What should I do?**  
This year all 2-, 3- and 4-year-olds and children in school years 1 and 2 are being offered the free flu vaccination.\* You will be contacted to let you know where your child will be vaccinated.

\*In some parts of the country, all primary school-aged children will be offered the vaccine.

**For more information visit:** [www.nhs.uk/child-flu](http://www.nhs.uk/child-flu)



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