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NEWSLETTER 14 - 19TH DECEMBER 2018

MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM YEADON WESTFIELD INFANT SCHOOL

School finishes at 3pm on Friday 21st December 2018 for the Christmas break, reopening on Monday 7th January 2019 at 8.55am



CHRISTMAS REMINDERS

WHOLE SCHOOL TRIP TO ST JOHN'S CHURCH – THURSDAY 20TH DECEMBER

The children will be walking to St John's Church tomorrow at 9.15am for our Christmas Nativity Service. When we arrive at the church, could any parents and carers who have walked with the children stay at the back of the church until all the children are seated. Thank you for your cooperation.

Please ensure your child has a coat and shoes appropriate for walking to church.

(If they are in Nursery or Reception and are wearing disco clothes, please send the party shoes in a named bag).

PSA CHRISTMAS DISCOS

Nursery and Reception: Thursday 20th December, 1.45pm – 3pm

- **Your child may come to school dressed in their own clothes** in return for a £1 donation.
- Please collect your child at 3pm from their classroom as usual. If you have a child who is not usually in Nursery on Thursday afternoon, you are welcome to bring them back at 1.45pm for the disco. Please bring them to the school office.



Year 1 and Year 2: Thursday 20th December, 3.00pm – 4.15pm

- **Your child should come to school in uniform** but may bring clothes in a clearly named bag into which to change.
- If your child is attending the disco, please collect them at 4.15pm from their classroom. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS JUMPERS

Children may wear something Christmassy to school on the last day of term if they would like to.

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Hi Everyone,

It's Christmas!! (nearly)

Another busy half term- I think both pupils and staff are ready for a break! Everyone seems really settled this half term. It was lovely to see Reception, Y1 and Y2 coming together for the Christmas nativity which is always a special time in school. I would like to thank all the staff involved in the nativity for their hard work. Getting 180 children to perform at the right time is never easy.

We have had lots of other exciting events this half term. We held our Autumn Term Parents' Consultations. Thank you to everyone who came as we believe that we are working in partnership with you. If you missed the consultations and your child's class teacher has not managed to catch up with you, please phone in the January to make an appointment.

We have also welcomed parents to our open mornings and afternoons. The children love showing off their work and we hope you find it useful and enjoyable too. School Council did an excellent job of showing prospective reception parents around during our open days. A number of governors have been in to work in school.

We have had students in school and staff have organised a History day and an RE day which the children very much enjoyed. Reception had their first educational visit to the Abbey House museum which they loved and they behaved very well. They were a credit to us.

Some children made poppy wreaths and visited the memorial garden for Remembrance Day. A group of children have also been visiting Ghyll Royd nursing home as part of the community group. SNAG and ECO group visited None Go Bye Farm as part of Food For Life week.

Children enjoyed activities during Anti-Bullying Week and we held a very successful Food For Life week. Our school business manager, Mrs Middleton, did an excellent job of arranging guest speakers and of course the very successful Christmas Fair! Thank you everyone for coming and spending all your money on a very good cause. We can now also reveal we have been awarded the Silver Food For Life status.



We had our annual panto which was Treasure Island this year. Staff have been doing some inter school work through the Trust. We had a joint Trust training day in November looking at well-being and we have had parents come to Parent Voice.

Have a lovely Christmas and New Year. I will see you all on Monday 7th January at 8.55am.

Ms Lowry

LANGAUGE LEARNERS FRENCH CLASSES

Would you like your child to gain enthusiasm, have fun and excel in languages? Our classes have been established at Westfield Infant School for many years. French classes take place each week during Wednesday lunchtime. Our classes are small, planned for specific age groups and interactive. We make learning languages lots of fun! We follow the Award Winning La Jolie Ronde structured programme. For further information please contact Zoë @ Language Learners on 01132500809 or 07946577545 or email hello@languagelearners.co.uk.

SCHOOL COUNCIL CHRISTMAS COLOURING COMPETITION

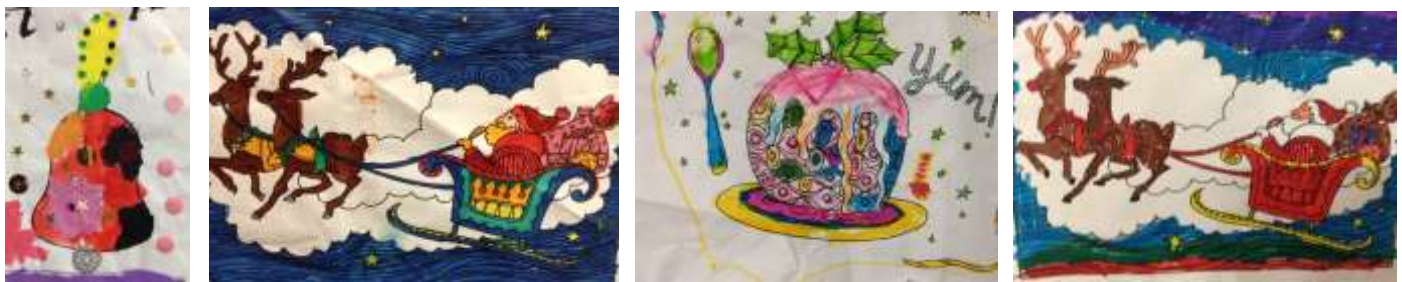
Well done to the winners of the colouring competition:-

Nursery: Eva and Samuel

Reception: Georgia and Darla

Year 1: Maddison and Jayden

Year 2: Matthew and Lucas



ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES

The following clubs will be running next half term and letters will be sent out during the first week back after the holidays:-

Monday 14/01/2019-11/02/2019 3pm-4pm	Arbugs CYP Arts	Yr 1 & Yr 2 First come, first served.
Monday 14/01/2019-11/02/2019 3pm-4.15pm	Multiskills Soccer 5 and the PSA	Reception First come, first served.
Tuesday 15/01/2019-12/02/2019 3pm-4.15pm	Multiskills Soccer 5 and the PSA	Yr 1 & Yr 2 First come, first served.
Wednesday 16/01/2019-13/02/2019 3pm-4.15pm	Multi Sports Soccer 5 and the PSA	Yr 1 & Yr 2 First come, first served.
Wednesday Lunchtime	French La Jolie Ronde	Yr1 & Yr2 Please contact the school office if you would like more information
Thursday 17/01/2019-08/02/2019 3pm-4pm	Dance Peace Dance and PSA	Yr1 & Yr2 Priority given to children already in dance club

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

Attendance Stars week commencing 10/12/2018 were Year 2 Red with 96.9%
Our school's attendance target is 97% and last week we got 94.5%

Punctuality Stars were Reception Blue with no late arrivals. There were 9 instances of late arrival resulting in 1 hour 7 minutes lost learning time.

Class	Authorised Absences	Unauthorised Absences	Attendance	No. Late Arrivals	No. Children Late	Minutes late
Rec Blue	23	2	91.1%	0	0	0
Rec Red	14	1	94.4%	1	1	5
Year 1 Blue	16	0	94.7%	1	1	5
Year 1 Red	14	0	95.2%	1	1	17
Year 2 Blue	16	0	94.5%	3	3	6
Year 2 Red	8	1	96.9%	3	3	34

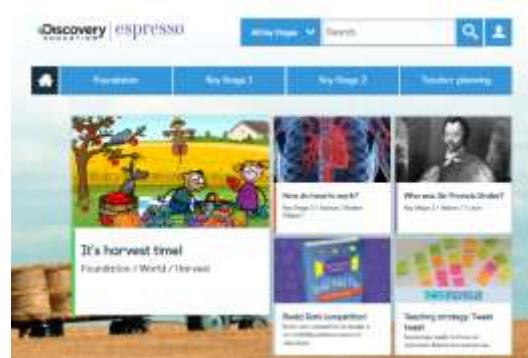
LEARNING FROM HOME WITH DISCOVERY EDUCATION ESPRESSO

Please can we remind you that children can access the Discovery Education Espresso service from home. We use Discovery Education Espresso in school to help motivate, engage and support learning in the classroom. Now your child can continue to enjoy what they have been doing at school, and you can be involved in their learning at home.

About Discovery Education Espresso

Espresso is an online cross-curricular service that provides video-rich resources to schools throughout the UK. It contains thousands of videos and multimedia activities, as well as a weekly news service — all designed by teaching professionals. For more information, please visit:

www.discoveryeducation.co.uk/espresso



How to access Discovery Education Espresso from home

To access Discovery Education Espresso from home

- go to www.discoveryeducation.co.uk
- click the 'Login' button in the top right corner
- select 'Espresso'
- Enter your username: student19265
Enter your password: school

Getting started

Your child should already be familiar with Espresso. They could show you how they have been using it in class and how to find resources. Once you are familiar with the service, you and your child may like to explore Espresso's *Online safety* modules designed to help children develop a better understanding on how to use technology safely and respectfully.

We hope you will find Discovery Education Espresso useful as a resource to extend your child's learning. If you have any further questions about how to use the service, please speak to your child's teacher.

REMINDERS

IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR NURSERY AND YEAR 2 CHILDREN



If your child was born between 1 September 2014 and 31 August 2015 they should start primary school in September 2019. You must apply for a school place before 15 January 2019. **If your child is in Year 2 you will also need to apply for a place in the Junior School.** More details can be found on the [Leeds City Council Website](#).

Yeadon Westfield Infant and Junior Schools will be having an Open Day on Thursday 10th January 2019, 9.15am - 10.30am and 5.45pm – 7.00pm.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT
Thursday	20/12/2018	9.10am	Whole School Trip to St John's Church
Thursday	20/12/2018	Midday	Christmas dinner
Thursday	20/12/2018	1.45pm-3.00pm	PSA Christmas Disco – Nursery and Reception
Thursday	20/12/2018	3.00pm-4.15pm	PSA Christmas Disco – Year 1 and Year 2
Friday	21/12/2018	3pm	School closes for the Christmas Break
Monday	07/01/2019	8.55am	School opens for the Spring Term

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY – SPRING TERM 1

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT
Monday	07/01/2019	8.55am	School opens for the Spring Term
Thursday	10/01/2019	9.15am-10.30am	Open Morning for parents with children starting Reception in September 2019
Thursday	10/01/2019	5.45pm-7.00pm	Open Evening for parents with children starting Reception in September 2019
Friday	18/01/2019	9.05am-10.00am	Parent Voice- all welcome
Friday	01/02/2019	9.15am-9.45am	Year 1 Blue Class Assembly – parents welcome – more information to follow
Monday	04/02/2019	All Week	E-safety and Computing Week
Monday	04/02/2019	2.30pm-3.00pm	Year 1 and Year 2 Open Afternoon – come and share your child's learning.
Tuesday	05/02/2019	9.00am-9.30am	Reception Open Morning – come and share your child's learning.

Wednesday	06/02/2019	9.00am-10.00am 2.00pm-3.00pm	Nursery Open Day – come and share your child’s learning.
Friday	15/02/2019	3pm	School closes for the Half Term Holiday
Monday	25/02/2019	8.55am	School reopens for Spring Term 2

COMMUNITY NEWS

AIREBOROUGH PARTNERSHIP –TEACHER TRAINING OPPORTUNITY

If you already have a degree and are interested in training to be a primary teacher, we have a great opportunity available. Yeadon Westfield Infants is joining together with 4 other local primary schools to offer PGCE teacher training through Leeds Beckett University, next academic year (2019-20). UCAS is now accepting applications for this course. Access the UCAS teacher training website and search ‘Aireborough Partnership’, course code ‘2JF’. Here you will find more details about the course. If you would like any more information about this fantastic opportunity, please contact Ms Lowry through the school office.

COMMUNICATIONS SINCE LAST NEWSLETTER

Copies of the letters can be found in the [Letters and Forms](#) section of our school website.

- WEBSITE UPDATES:** Class Blogs
- LETTERS:** -
- EMAILS:** Year 2 Treat Afternoon
- BOOKLETS AND FLYERS:** Inspiration Tree
Leeds Camps



Our FUNtastic Out of School Club runs from the Infant School Annex building on the school site and offers before and afterschool care during term time. For more information or to have a look round, please call Nicola on 07947 600494 or pick up a brochure from the School reception.

KANGAROO KIDS – NOW OPEN

Yeadon Westfield Infant School, Westfield Grove, Yeadon, Leeds, LS19 7NQ

Telephone: 07799 472578

Kangaroo kids pre-school already provides experienced quality day care for children at Queensway Primary School. This is now being extended to Yeadon Westfield Infant School in the annexe building with provision for 2 year olds.



Open: Monday-9am -3pm, Tuesday-9am-3pm, Wednesday 12pm-3pm, Thursday 9am-3pm, Friday 9am-3pm

Funding available for 2 year olds. Each 3 hour session will be £12 and the full days will be £25 including snacks and a healthy lunch. Please contact us on 0779947257 to secure a place for September.