

North Walkden Primary School

Executive Headteacher's Newsletter: Winter 2015



Introduction

Christmas is nearly upon us once more and the staff at North Walkden are working very hard to make sure that it is a very exciting and enjoyable time for the children in school. I hope you will find the following dates and information useful.

Diary Dates

- There will be a sponsored event on 9th November for children in KS2 (Y3,4,5 and 6).
- Year 4 children start swimming lessons on 16th November.
- 25th November: Y6 visit to Crucial Crew.
- Y6 are having the "Bikeability" course for four afternoons, commencing 23rd November.



Parents Evening

You will shortly receive a letter regarding parent/carer consultations. The date of this is 25th November from 3.30pm-6.30pm. Please make an appointment and use this opportunity to meet with your child's teacher and teaching assistant to review their progress.

Family Learning Workshop

On 1st December, at 9am, the teaching assistants are running a "Christmas Around the World" Family Learning Workshop for families from Year3 to Y5. Adults are invited into school to do craft activities alongside their children. Further details will be sent out nearer the time.

Theatre Group

As an extra treat for the whole school, we have paid for a theatre group to come into school on 15th December to present an interactive version of "Beauty and the Beast," involving some of the children.

Experience Christmas

Year 3 will be visiting St John's Church on the afternoon of 26th November for a special Christmas experience, led by church members.

Advent Carol Service

The KS1 children are leading the School Carol Service in the school hall on 1st December at 2pm. Please feel free to join us.

Party Day

Nursery/Reception Party day is on the 14th December.

The BFG

The Key Stage 2 children are again visiting the Octagon Theatre in Bolton to see their festive production. This year the show is Roald Dahl's popular children's story, "The BFG." The trip will take place on the afternoon of 7th December.



Christmas Lunch

The kitchen staff will be serving Christmas lunch on 16th December. If your child is on packed lunches, they have the option of buying a Christmas lunch. Please contact the school office to book and pay for the lunch in advance. Alternatively, you may wish to make your child's packed lunch more festive by adding a cracker or mince pie!

Christmas Production

This year's show is called, "Scrooge," and will feature our Key Stage 2 children from Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5. There will be two performances on the 9th December at 2pm and 10th December at 6pm.

Supper with Santa

Our younger, KS1 children, will be invited to have "Supper with Santa" on 14th December from 3.30-4.30pm. Miss Briggs will send out further details.

Movie and Popcorn Night

KS2 children are invited to a movie and popcorn night on 15th December from 3.30-5pm. The cost will be £1.

Christmas Disco

There will be a Christmas disco for Key Stage 2 children (Y3,4,5&6) on 16th December from 6-7.30pm. Admittance will cost £1 and sweets and drinks will be available to buy on the night.

Nursery and Reception Nativity

The Nursery children would like to invite their families and friends to a simple celebration of The Nativity on 17th December at 2pm.



Christmas Choir

A School Choir will sing festive songs at the Ellesmere Centre in Walkden on 11th December at 11am. Your support would be greatly appreciated!



Finally School breaks up for the Christmas holiday on 18th December at 3.20pm and starts back on Monday 4th January at 8.55am.

Thankyou for your continued support ,

Mrs. A. Smith
Executive Headteacher