

Wilsden Primary School

Newsletter No. 5

Friday 7th October



Y4 visit to Shibden Hall

On Monday this week, our Year 4 children went on a very special visit to Shibden Hall, where they learned all about the Waterhouse family and what life in the house would have been like in Tudor times. They enjoyed a tour of the house, made lavender and rose fuzzy-muzzys, explored the gardens and had the chance to dress up as Tudor boys and girls.



School Council and Police

On Thursday, our School Council representatives met with PC Beecroft and PCSO Roe. They are coming to work with the School Council in an attempt to help them to make Tweedy Street the safest street in Wilsden. There will be a competition run by the School Council and everyone will be encouraged to join in – watch this space!

Chaos on Tweedy Street this morning

I am very sad to report that the flow of traffic on Tweedy Street this morning was awful. There was road-rage, cars were being abandoned and drivers were blocking up the road. Our children are trying really hard to improve things on Tweedy Street, please, please slow down, park considerately and be a shining example to your children.

3AH at the Quarry

3AH had a lovely walk along The Banks to the old disused quarry to have a look at the erosion in Cross Lane, to fit in with their rocks and soils topic. Everyone had a collecting bag to gather items for next week's special "Stig & Barney" day when they will make a home for Stig and use the twigs to make cave paintings.



Personalised Christmas Cards

As the festive season is beginning to creep up on us we're sure you'll be considering which Christmas/Eid cards to buy. Or perhaps you are deliberating over wrapping paper and gift tags. Well look no more! As you will be aware from the leaflet sent home a few weeks ago, your child has drawn a picture that can be printed onto a personalised card, tag or sheet of wrapping paper.

If you are interested in placing an order for your child's artwork, you can do so online. If you don't have access to a computer, then don't worry, we have decided to open up our ICT suite for three separate evenings, Friday, 14th October, Wednesday, 19th October and Monday 31st October at 3.15pm.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to speak to Mrs Holmes or Mrs Dominik.

The school will earn 10% commission on all the orders taken.

All orders must be submitted by **Monday 31st October.**

Prospective Parents Open Evening

On the **19th October** from 7:00pm we are opening our school up and inviting prospective new parents to visit our school and see the wonderful things we have on offer. We would love to see as many prospective parents on the 19th as possible and warmly welcome enquires about the evening, through our school office, on 01535 272263.

We would love you to join us.

Reception Free School Lunches

The free meals which are given to Reception children will finish on Wednesday, 12th October. If you would like your child to continue have a school lunch, the charge is £1.50 per day (£10 to the end of this half term).

Volunteers Needed

Are you interested in books? Do you have some spare time? If so, we desperately need volunteers who would be willing to come into school each week to organise our school library (subject to a CRB check being carried out). If you are interested, please contact our school office to arrange to speak with Mrs Blakeley-Broadbent about this.

Head lice Campaign – 2 weeks to go!

On the last day of this term, Friday, 23rd October, school will be providing each family with a “*Head lice Attack Pack*”. This pack will include a head lice comb and leaflets. The idea is that all families “attack” head lice over the half term holiday in a whole school pro-active campaign to attempt to rid our school of these annoying pests! The advice is that for the week of half-term and the following week (when we are back at school), the head lice comb is used on a regular basis on wet hair which has conditioner applied. The leaflet enclosed with your pack will give you more information.

School Site Access

Could we please ask that parents and carers collecting children at 3.30pm wait outside the school site until the gate opens at 3.20pm (unless you need to visit the office). It is very disruptive to classes when people are walking past the classroom windows near the end of the day.

School Nurse Drop-in Sessions

There are a couple of appointments left on Tuesday, 11th October, 3.15 – 4.00pm for you to see the school nurse about any issues you may have relating to your child’s health. If you would like one of the remaining appointments, please contact the school office.

DT Money

As our curriculum becomes more and more creative and as resources for design & technology are very expensive, we are asking all parents to contribute £1 per child per term (£3 per year). Over the year, this works out at just 14p per week! Examples of the items which the children have made are: lighthouses, hats, cars, musical instruments, biscuits and bread.

Please send this money in an envelope clearly marked with “DT money” and your child’s name and class.

Stars of the Week!

Our Stars of the week this week are:-

RHN	Daniel Grimshaw	RSF	Alfie Bairstow
1HB	Isabel Farrar	1RK	Daniel Scott
2LT	Erin Longley	2JC	Sanaa Sultan
3JW	Ruby Ackroyd	3AH	Ben Grimshaw
4FR	Luke Tordoff	4SC	Javeria Mahmood
5JG	Erin Dark	5HI	Adam Wilson
6JR	Bradley Toll	6VP	Jake Maltby

Well done everyone!

Congratulations to classes 2LT and 4FR
who have gained the highest number of green stars this week. Well done!

“Good Choices” Lunchtime Raffle Winners
Felix Lees & Elise Warden.

394 children arrived on time this week!
Let’s see if we can make it 400,
or even more, next week!



IMPORTANT REMINDERS FOR PARENTS AND DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Termly Curriculum Information

As there are a number of changes throughout school and the way that we teach, the current format for the Termly Curriculum Information Sheet is no longer suitable as a tool to support our parents in supporting their children. We are currently in the process of developing a new design and layout.

Donations required for our Christmas Fair

If you are clearing out your cupboards and garages over the half-term break, please bear in mind that we need donations for our Christmas Fair which will be on Saturday, 3rd December.

- ☺ Books
- ☺ Bric-a-brac
- ☺ Gift sets
- ☺ Bottles
- ☺ Unused toiletries
- ☺ Children's games
- ☺ Candles
- ☺ DVDs
- ☺ CDs
- ☺ Any unwanted items in excellent condition.
- ☺ Pull a jar items - we are asking for empty jars filled with anything! E.g. wrapped sweets, crayons/pencils, hair bobbles/clips, make up, nail varnish or small toys, in fact anything you can think of; let your imagination run wild
- ☺ Mrs Dominik & Mrs Robinson would also like any unwanted, old or used cd's – it doesn't matter what is on them; they are making them into personalised clocks for Christmas!

New Plea from Reception

We need donations of spare underwear and tights please ☺

New Plea from Year 6

We would like the clear tops from your pump-action toothpaste tubes please ☺

Plea from Reception & Year 2

Thank you for all the 'junk' that you have sent in but we now have enough!

Plea from the Office

If you are sending cash into school, please, please, please send it in an envelope with your child's name, class and what the cash is for.....it doesn't have to be a new envelope, re-cycled ones are fine ☺

Texting Service

Scotland had their first snowfall yesterday!

Please sign up for this service and help us to help you. To sign up, just complete the reply slip at the end of this newsletter, indicating your nominated number and return it to school along with your payment by Friday, 30th September. **It really is an invaluable service and for just £5 per family for the year, that's less than 13p per week!**



WSA News

Our next event will be our Shopping evening on Friday, 11th November from 7.30pm – if you can spare some time to help out at this event, would like to book a table, or are interested in joining the **WSA**, please contact the school office in the first instance.



Community News

Job Vacancy

Wilsden Village Hall Care Scheme (After School Club) are looking to appoint a Play Worker to work 2.5 hours per day, Monday to Friday 3.00pm – 5.30pm.
For further information or an application form, please ring 01535 272786

Pick'n'mix Family Worship for Harvest

You are invited to come to St Matthew's Church for 11.15am this Sunday to celebrate Harvest. There will be favourite harvest hymns and crafts on a harvest theme. You may also like to bring fruit/vegetables/tins as an offering and these will all be given to Manorlands. There will be a Harvest Lunch afterwards – all invited – and donations for this will go to the Leprosy Mission. Come and join our growing congregation of all ages.
Tel Vicar Bob 01535 273758 for more information.

Wilsden Band

Forthcoming concerts : Saturday, 8th October at Cullingworth Village Hall from 7.30pm
Saturday, 15th October at Wilsden Village Hall from 7.30pm

New players wanted - Wilsden Band is calling for new players on 2nd and 3rd Cornets and Bb Basses. If anyone fancies having a go, they can join us for our Sunday morning rehearsal at 9:30am, the next one is on Sunday 23rd October. Or you can call Musical Director Ken Lee on 07884291026 for more information. We are a very friendly and relaxed band and are sure you will find being a member fun and enjoyable.

Churches Together

Churches Together in Wilsden, Harden and Harecroft are looking for a design for their 2011 Christmas Card. We are asking all children at both Wilsden and Harden Primary Schools to design a picture.

- ☺ The picture should be about the Christmas story. It can be a whole scene or a single character.
 - ☺ It should be in one colour only – but any medium can be used – crayon, paint, collage, even computer graphics (as long as it is your own work!)
 - ☺ On a single sheet of A4 paper with your name class and school written on the back.
 - ☺ Closing date is Friday, 21st October, 2011 and entries should be handed into the school office.
- The winner will be notified within 2 weeks and the winning design will be professionally printed onto our Christmas service cards. These cards are given out to nearly all the houses in all 3 villages.

Halloween Holiday Club

The Holiday club will run from Monday, 24th to Friday, 28th October and we can now care for children from the age of 3. To book a place or for further information, contact Claire on 07717 250433

Bingley Bonfire

This year's Bingley Bonfire will be held on Saturday, 5th November at Myrtle Park, Bingley.
Fire lighting at 7.00pm, Fireworks at 7.30pm
Admission £5 per person (under 5's free)

Wilsden Village Hall

Saturday, 12th November 7.30 – 11.00pm come and join us for "Boys and Big Bands", an evening with Craig Williams (a.k.a. Michael Bubl ). Tickets are £10.00 each to include bubbly and supper. A public bar will be available throughout the evening. *(Please note, this is an over 18's only event)*

Wilsden Juniors AFC – Now Recruiting!

New players needed for our

- ☺ Girls and Boys Under 5/6 Team – starting first Saturday in October (01/10/11)
- ☺ Under 11 Girls Team

If you are interested or would like further information, please contact Kirsty Lawn 07817 238844 or email to kirsty@lawn.eclipse.co.uk.



Dates for your diary

Monday, 10 th October	Year 5 visit to Thackray Medical Museum
Tuesday, 11 th October	School Nurse drop-in session 3.15 – 4.00pm
Friday, 14 th October	ICT suite open for ordering cards online
Wednesday, 19 th October	2JC Showcase Assembly at 9.00am
Wednesday, 19 th October	ICT suite open for ordering cards online
Wednesday, 19 th October	Prospective Parents Open Evening
Thursday, 20 th October	2LT Showcase Assembly at 9.00am
Monday, 31 st October	ICT suite open for ordering cards online
Tuesday, 8 th November	Care & Share (school open from 3.30 – 4.00pm for you to view your child's work)
Wednesday, 9 th November	4FR Showcase Assembly at 9.00am
Thursday, 10 th November	4SC Showcase Assembly at 9.00am
Thursday, 10 th November	School Nurse drop-in session 3.15 – 4.00pm
Friday, 11 th November	WSA Shopping Evening
Tuesday, 15 th November	Parent Consultations 3.45 – 5.15pm
Thursday, 17 th November	Parent Consultations 5.30 – 8.30pm
Friday, 18 th November	Children in Need day
Saturday, 3 rd December	Christmas Fair 10am – 1.00pm
Monday, 5 th December	School Nurse drop-in session 3.15 – 4.00pm



Text Messaging Service

Name of Child Class

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I like to sign up for the text messaging service and enclose my contribution of _____.

My preferred mobile number is _____

This number belongs to _____

Signed Date