



# Wallsend Jubilee Primary School Newsletter

## Autumn Term 2017 ( Issue 2)

### Head Teacher's Blog

I can't believe we are well into November and are rapidly hurtling towards Christmas. Your children have been busy in class working hard and are beginning to practice for Christmas performances. I hope you have booked a date in your diary to come to see your child's performance over the Christmas period. **Tickets are now on sale via order form available at the school office.**

The vast majority of children have continued to come into school wearing our school uniform including black shoes and trainers. Please can I ask, if you are buying new school shoes or trainers they need to be mostly black or if possible all black. Thank you for your continued support with this.

The life of a large primary school continues to be a busy one and this term has been no different. I enjoyed meeting the parents who came to our Open Evening on November 1st. The comments from these parents were positive, saying that they enjoyed the tour of the school, meeting the staff and finding out about what their children would be learning over the coming years.

Year 1 Activity Day was a great success,. It was very well attended by parents and I thank you for that.

Please continue to look out for further opportunities to visit school and find out about your children's learning. I look forward to meeting you soon

### Website Launch

**Come and grab a coffee and see our new website in Action.**

**2.30pm –3.15 pm**

**Thursday 23rd November**

### ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

Attendance and punctuality are so important in our school and absence can have a massive effect on your child's learning. I understand as a parent myself, that there are occasions when your child is ill and cannot come to school, but I urge you to support the school with its current drive to improve the overall attendance rate in school.

With this in mind, we will shortly be looking closely at attendance and you will all receive a letter informing you of your child's attendance percentage since the start of the school year. This letter will inform you if your child's attendance is in the green, amber or red zone. All red zone attendance will be monitored for a four week period to ensure improvements are made The school's ambition is that all children have attendance as near to 95% as possible

### Healthy Tuck Shop

This new initiative has been a huge success with the children. Thank you to all involved and may it continue to grow.

### Winter Weather procedures

As you will have noticed we have just had our first morning frosts of the season and our weather is getting colder. Mr Brand will be working extremely hard over the next few months to ensure our site is safe and open to all children. Our yards can quickly become iced over so where possible Mr Brand will grit the patches of ice.

However sometimes ice forms after he has done this, so I urge you to be careful as you walk across the yards as it is impossible to grit 100% of all the yards.

If a pathway is gritted and we feel the rest of the yard is too slippery, the school doors will be open at 8.45am and your children can come straight into school. Please ensure that you and your children make every effort to use the pathways provided as we cannot take responsibility if someone slips in areas outside the paths provided.

If we assess that the yards are too dangerous due to ice and/or snow we will clear a path to the front entrance and the children will come into school that way. Thankyou for your cooperation.

### Fundraising

Our prefects tell us we had a wonderful response to the poppy selling also raising important funds for the British Legion. Thank you.

We are now also selling our Christmas Beanies for St Oswald's. This year we have a Dalmatian, a Snow dog, a Snow cat and a Snow tiger. On sale from school for £2.00 each.





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### Maths Parents' Event



Our first maths event was a great success. It would be good to see as many parents as possible at the remainder of these events. You will find out how maths has been developed for your children, learn more about how we calculate numbers and children will be demonstrating their maths skills.

**Mon 20th November is Year 1 & 2's turn &**

**Mon 27th November is for Years 5 & 6.**

### Chinese Visitors

As part of our ongoing links with schools in China we will be welcoming ten students and their teacher into school on the week beginning December 4th. The aim of their visit is to look at the differences in the education systems in Great Britain

### 6 Rs Event

The 6Rs for lifelong learning are a key element of our aim to continually improve the educational experiences for your child. We are having our first 6Rs day for the children on Thursday 30th November. The children will be working together and completing tasks linked to all 6Rs. Look out for pictures on our new website

### Safeguarding in school

Ensuring your child is safe in school is one of our top priorities. Our new website will have a section on safeguarding and will explain who the safeguarding officers in school are and show you links to all policies and documents associated with keeping children safe.

Please access the website to look at this section and look out for some documents coming your way which will explain safeguarding at Wallsend Jubilee Primary School

The food bank donations were fantastic. A big thank you to all who contributed. We delivered over 700 items to the Bay Food Bank on behalf of our families.



### Dates For Your Diary



**Monday 20th Nov 2.15pm –3.15pm –Year 1/2 Maths parents event**  
**Thursday 23rd Nov 2.30pm– 3.15pm—Website launch in main hall**  
**Monday 27th Nov 2.15pm –3.15pm –Year 5/6 Maths parents event**  
**Monday 4th Dec—Assessing children's learning week**  
**Monday 4th Dec—Panto in school Year 1 to 6 PM**  
**Thursday 7th Dec—Christmas dinner for all pupils**  
**Tuesday 12th Dec –9.30am NAM and Reception Performance**  
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**Wednesday 13th Dec—9.30 am and 2.00pm KS1 Performances**  
**Wednesday 13th Dec—Y3/4 Singing in the Park 2.00pm**  
**Wednesday 13th Dec 6.00pm KS2 Performance**  
**Thursday 14th Dec—9.30 am and 2.00pm KS2 Performances**  
**Friday 15th Dec—10am Santa Morning (Santa hats may be worn)**  
**Friday 15th Dec—Christmas jumper day for NSPCC £1 donation**  
**Tuesday 19th Dec (AM)—RJD and NAM Christmas party**  
**Tuesday 19th Dec (PM)—RLH and NPM Christmas party**  
**Wednesday 20th Dec— Reception to Rising Sun for Santa trip**  
**Wednesday 20th Dec—Year 3 and 4 Christmas party**  
**Thursday 21st Dec—Nursery & Reception Activity Day**  
**Thursday Dec 21st (PM) - Year 1 and 2 Christmas Party**  
**Thursday 21st Dec—5.00— 7.00pm—Y5 & 6 Christmas disco**  
  
**Friday 22nd Dec—BREAK UP FOR CHRISTMAS!!**  
  
**Monday 8th January—School re-opens for Spring term**

