



Westminster Community Primary School

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Healthy School



Friday 1st December 2017

Hello everyone,



We have had some exciting developments this week including the completion of our new Imagination Station in the playground. Work started on Monday morning, despite the horrible weather, and the guys quickly produced a recognisable shape out of the wood – our ship appeared! Next the mushroom seats and rainbow benches appeared and lastly the beautiful green grass, which tied everything together.

We are all delighted with the result and hope you are too! We will be having an 'official opening' with the School Council and the children next week and all look forward to trying out our imaginations on it soon. Much thanks must go to the Big Lottery Fund who have supported us with the funding for this project and we would encourage you all to tweet them at @BigLotteryFund or visit their website here <https://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/> to say a massive THANK YOU!

Well done to our winter show winners. Miss Hughes has your prizes so speak to her on the gate in the morning to collect them. We particularly loved the Sleepover monkey in a tree and the Christmas poem by Micheal and his Mum.



Year 5/6 held a fantastic Science fair last week, showing the work they have been doing this term learning about our solar system, the planets and the universe. The children manned various 'stations' where they were keen to explain some of the scientific facts to their eager audience – made up of all the other classes, teachers, parents and helpers! We were very impressed with the quality of the work produced and the overall winner will be announced next Friday. More photographs are available on the school website if you have not already seen them.



The Reception children have had a busy week writing their letters to Father Christmas. They carefully folded their letters into envelopes and added some magic Christmas dust. Today they enjoyed a walk to the local post box to post their letters. Keep an eye out at home for replies from Father Christmas and please share these with Miss Dunn.

KS1 are running a Star Readers Wall. We will be celebrating reading successes. We have already some lovely photographs of Lexi, from the Reception class, who is enjoying lots of reading at home. If you would like to add to the gallery pass any photographs of your child reading at home.

Tickets for the Christmas show will be available from Mrs Rennie from **Monday 4th December** and are free of charge. Tickets are limited to two adults per family, however Mrs Rennie will be holding a waiting list for additional tickets, should there be any available.

We will also be running our very popular Breakfast with Santa event, for KS1, on **Friday 22nd December** (last day of term). Places for this **MUST** be booked in advance and tickets will be available from Mrs Rennie from **Monday 11th December**. Tickets are £5 per child, which must be paid in advance. Please note we have a limited number of tickets so please book early if you wish to attend. Adults to stay with children for the duration of the event please. Breakfast Club for KS2 pupils will also be running.

Year 5 & 6 will be singing some carols for the residents at Hollymere at 1.15pm on Wednesday 13th December.

Our final PTA meeting for this year will be on **Tuesday 19th December** at 9 :15 am. If you would like to join us, we would love to see some new faces so please do come along if you are able.



Notes for your diary:

Please note that there have been some changes to the original dates for the KS 1 Christmas play. They will now take place as follows:

Dress Rehearsal **Monday 11th December** @1:45 (all school invited)

Performance 1 - **Tuesday 12th December 2017** @ 2:00 pm

Performance 2 - **Wednesday 13th December 2017** @ 5:30 pm

Please note: KS1 & Reception parents - there will be NO Homework/Improvement club on Wed 13th December as the children will need to return for the 5:30 show.

Friday 15th December – Christmas Disco (£3 per child includes a drink and hotdog – please book a place with Mrs Rennie) 17:00 to 18:00

Monday 16th December – Yr 5/6 Music Concert

Tuesday 19th December - KS2 Carol Service at 14:00 (tickets available from Mrs Rennie)



Christmas Lunch for Diamonds and Emeralds – **Wednesday 20th December** at 11.45 am. One place per family bookable via Mrs Rennie. Adult meal cost is £2.50.

Christmas Lunch for Rubies and Sapphires – **Thursday 21st December** at 11.45 am. One place per family bookable via Mrs Rennie. Adult meal cost is £2.50.

Reminders:

Homework Club runs on Wednesdays for children in Years 1-6. This club will be dismissed onto the School playground at the appropriate time.

Please note that **Enrichment Club** takes place on Thursdays, in the school hall and at the end of the club (4.15 pm) the children can be picked up from the white school hall door on John Street.

If you have one of the school puppets at home please return it to school as the post box is full of requests for puppets to go to somebody's house.

Yours faithfully,

Sue Finch

Sue Finch (Head Teacher)

Lunch Menu 1 w/c 1st December 2017. (Menus can be viewed on the school website).

NB: If you are sending grapes with a packed lunch for your child, please ensure that they cut in half to avoid a choking hazard. Please also note that we have children at our School with allergies, so we ask that you **do not include nut products** in any packed lunches. Can I also remind you that one of our rules in School is that we do not share food from lunchboxes with others.