



Warren Wood Primary School



Newsletter – December 8th 2023

Some news...

...Sadly, Miss Ives has announced that she will be leaving us at Christmas. She has the most exciting opportunity to return to the field in which she started her career – supporting children’s mental health as a trainee education mental health practitioner. Miss Ives has asked to share the information below:

‘As I share my bittersweet news with you, I have taken the time to reflect on my time teaching at Warren Wood Primary School. I feel privileged to have taught some of your children, they have given me endless laughter, a warm heart and many happy memories to cherish forever. I leave with the hope that I’ve made a difference to some of the children I’ve taught, as they have for me. The lessons I’ve learnt and the bonds I’ve formed will stay with me forever.

I have always advocated for the holistic needs of a child; prioritising mental health and well-being. I believe in meeting the emotional needs of a child and then the learning and educational needs will follow. My new opportunity will allow me to follow my passion and allow me to continue fighting for better mental health support to our children as they navigate through our ever-changing society.

Please know that this decision wasn’t made lightly, and I appreciate all the support you have given me as parents and carers throughout my time here.’

We send Miss Ives off with our blessing and thanks – she has been a value addition to our school team and leaves as a friend to many of us too.



This Week...

Some of our Year 3 and Year 4 pupils were lucky enough to take part in the Stockport School’s Christmas Carol Service. This is a wonderful community event that is for schools and their families to attend in the run up to Christmas. It is always a shame that not all pupils can take part due to the lack of space available and so we always want all of our children to have the chance to perform wherever the venue.

If you came to the Christmas Fair on Friday 8th December, you’ll have heard the children in the choir sing and the band play. Hopefully it started to bring you ‘all the feels’ of Christmas.



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A Message from the Headteacher

Christmas is Coming...

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we race into December, things are now gathering pace in our Christmas preparations – choirs, band, singing, dancing and all round Christmas showcase extravaganzas! It can be frantic and overwhelming for some but everyone plays their own very special parts – big or small – and it is magical because of each and every one of you!

In Nursery, children have listened to the story of 'Father Christmas needs a wee' and have been counting presents and drinks. They have also been writing letters to Santa and drawing what we would leave for him and Rudolph on Christmas Eve. They have been counting buttons on gingerbread men and learning about the nativity.

Reception pupils have been practicing for their nativity and have been busy writing and posting letters in the Post Office role play area. They have also been looking at Goldilocks and the Three Bears and have been making porridge!

Year 1 children have continued sewing their puppets together in D.T. In History, they have been exploring, playing with and evaluating toys from the past. In Science, children have been exploring how their senses help us find out about the world around us. Children have also made reindeer food in Forest School and have also been practicing for their festive sing-a-long.

Year 2 pupils have been writing the next part of their Little Red Riding Hood stories and using lots of dialogue. They have also been busy preparing for next week's nativity – I have it on good authority that they have amazing dance moves to show us, although I'm hoping that is the children and not the staff!

Year 3 have been learning how to edit writing using four 'railway station platforms' – Ask your child if they can remember each one! They have also been doing amazing maths with the three times table. There was a beautiful performance at St. George's church and this will be shared on the evening of the fair too in our school hall.

Some of Year 4 also went to St. George's carol concert this week. In English, they have been using expanded noun phrases to describe an Ancient Greek character and in Maths they have been multiplying by 11, 12, 1 and zero. In Science, pupils have been making complete and incomplete circuits and in Geography, they have been using atlases to identify countries within Europe.

Year 5 pupils have been creating mixed media poetry art based on their slavery poems – utterly beautiful and stunning pieces of work these were too! They have also used their historical knowledge to think about segregation and equal rights and have heard a truly inspiring story about this too. Pupils have also learned about tenses and punctuating speech in English. In Maths, they have been comparing and ordering fractions with different numerators and denominators.

Year 6 children have had a busy week writing about how to evacuate a German town, setting up an experiment into growing mould and completing a design and build project making a model of an Anderson Shelter – a picture of some of these is at the top of this page.

Another fun filled week Woodies – we are all tired but have so much fun left to have together. Keep going!

Mrs. Reyes

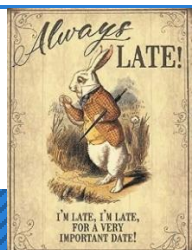
Boo the Badger



Each Monday in assembly, our school mascot, 'Boo the Badger' visits two classes in school – one infant and one junior and stays for the week in their classrooms. He is presented for good attendance, good behavior and good attitudes to learning. This week, Boo has gone to stay with:

Reception – Mrs Preece & Miss Ives and Year 4- Mrs. Kelly

His message is 'Miss school, Miss out' – We love having you here and so does Boo!



Upcoming Diary Dates

Friday 8th December – Christmas Fair – 3:15 -5:30pm

Week Commencing 11th December – Nativities for Reception and Year 2

Reception – 9:15am - Monday 11th/Thursday 14th and **Year 2** - Tuesday 12th – 9:15am/Thursday 14th 2:00pm

Nursery Christmas Show – 10:45am – Tuesday 12th/Thursday 14th – 9:15am

Wednesday 13th December - Christmas Dinner Day

Wednesday 20th December – **Year 1 Christmas Carols** – 3:15pm – (Separate letter sent out)

Friday 22nd December – School Closes for Christmas – 3:15pm