

Worsley Mesnes Primary School Newsletter

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Happy Holidays!



Staff at Worsley Mesnes Primary School would like to wish all our families a very happy, healthy and peaceful Christmas and New Year.

School re-opens to children on Monday 9th January 2017.



E-Safety

Please be aware of the internet sites that your children maybe are accessing on their computer and, for some, on their phone.

Here are some ground rules that work for many parents:

Use privacy settings. Privacy settings aren't foolproof, but they can be helpful. Take the time to learn how privacy settings work on your children's favorite sites and apps, and teach your children how to control the information they make public or private. Encourage them to check privacy settings regularly, since sites' policies often change.

Tell your children to think before they post. Remind them that everything can be seen by a vast, invisible audience (otherwise known as friends-of-friends-of-friends), and, once something's online, it's hard to take back.

Be a friend and follower. Each family will have different rules, but, especially for younger children, it's a good idea for parents to have access to their children's pages, at least at first, to be sure that what's being posted is appropriate. Parents can help keep their children from doing something they'll regret later.

Keep private information private. Don't share your home address or other sensitive information online.

Be respectful of others. Children may use social media to act out because they feel anonymous and that their actions are consequence-free. Make sure they understand that the Internet is a giant community that works best when everyone respects each other. The minimum age to open an account on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Pinterest, Tumblr, Kik, and Snapchat is 13. YouTube requires account holders to be 18, but a 13-year-old can sign up with a parent's permission.

Our Community

A small group of our Year 6 children have been out and about this December, spreading the Christmas cheer. We have been Carol Singing to the residents at Ancliffe, Elliot Gardens and Westwood Lodge.



Breakfast with Santa

Come and join us for Breakfast with Santa on Thursday 22nd December at 8.15am.
£2.50 – see separate letter.

LOCAL DROP-IN SESSIONS FOR CHILDREN AGED 0 – 5 YEARS

Let's Get Messy – Learning Through Play

Every Tuesday 1.30-2.30

St Judes Primary School, Worsley Mesnes Drive, WN3 5AN

Start Well 01942 776007

No need to book – Just turn up.

Infant Massage

Every Wednesday 1.30-2.30

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PARENT LEARNING

English as a Second Language Class

Starting January 2017

St James Primary School, Worsley Mesnes Drive, WN3 5AN

Start Well 01942 776007.

Join us



Come, join us for a chat and a coffee, and meet our Start Well workers every Monday 9.10am in our OOSHL Room.

Find out what's on offer for you and your family in our local area.

Team Time

Well done to our winning team this term, Jessica Ennis.

All the team joined in and enjoyed making Christmas Crafts on Monday morning.



Admission to 2017 Reception Class

Children who have a date of birth between the date range of 1/9/12 to 31/8/13 are now eligible to apply for a place in next year's reception class.

The application period starts on 7th November 2016 and runs until 15th January 2017.

Those children who have registered an interest in our school were given the application form on the 4th November 2016.

If you have any queries regarding the application process or require an application form, please see the office staff.

School Values Awards

Year 1 ~ Kacey T-McC – Excellence
Year 2 ~ Isabel B – Courage & Inspiration
Year 3 ~ Alfie A – Determination
Year 4 ~ Katelyn B – Excellence & Determination
Year 5 ~ Keira H – Respect
Year 6 ~ Chloe C – Determination

Attendance for week commencing 12.12.16

Reception	94.3%
Year 1	99.3%
Year 2	92.4%
Year 3	96.7%
Year 4	99%
Year 5	94.3%
Year 6	99.3%

Dates for your diary

Updates are in **bold**

Date	Event	Notes
Every Wednesday	Unify Bank in our Hippo Zone 8:35am – 9:00am	
Wednesday 21 st December	KS1 & Reception Christmas Performance 9.30am	
Wednesday 21 st December	KS2 Christmas Performance 2pm	
Wednesday 21 st December	KS2 Christmas Performance 6pm children arrive 6.30pm start	
Thursday 22 nd December	Breakfast with Santa – see letter	
Thursday 22 nd December	Finish for Christmas Holidays 2pm	
Monday 9 th January	School re-opens after Christmas holidays	
Sunday 15 th January 2017	Deadline for Reception Applications	

If you are aware of anybody who is having difficulty accessing the information on our newsletter because of literacy or language difficulties, font size or colour of paper, please ask them to contact us and we will do what we can to help.