

# WESTGLADE NEWSLETTER

22nd November 2024



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## What a busy few weeks!

We've had a busy few weeks! School photos have been taken, we've had antibullying week and Odd Sock Day and Children in Need. It doesn't stop there, we've had the excitement of snow this week and the Christmas Festivities are just around the corner too!



The children (and staff) loved being able to come into school in their pyjamas/non-uniform on Friday for Children in Need and we have raised £165.88 for the charity so thank you very much for your donations.

## Christmas Dinner Day

Christmas Dinner Day is on **Wednesday 11th December**.

Letters have gone out this week regarding Christmas Dinner Day for the children this year. Please can these letters be returned by Monday at the latest so that the kitchen team can complete their food order. Even if your child is entitled to Free School Meals or usually has a school dinner, please fill in the form so that we know what they would like to order. Please pop into the School Office if you need to complete a form.

## Staying safe online

We know that technology and the internet is a big part of our lives. It can be brilliant but we also know that there are challenges and worries when it comes to children being safe online. Here are some useful websites that can give you advice and guidance around keeping children of all ages safe online:

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/parents-and-carers>

<https://www.ceopeducation.co.uk/parents>

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

## Christmas Fair

Our Christmas Fair will be taking place in school on **Wednesday 4th December**. We kindly ask that if anyone has anything they are able to donate for it, we would be really grateful. Items such as:

- Toys (including soft toys)
- Gifts
- Raffle Prizes

Donations can be handed in at the School Office. We really appreciate your support and hope to see many of you on the day.

Class Christmas hampers are back this year! Please can we ask for your kind donations, anything you can spare would be much appreciated. Please see below the class colours for this year's hampers:

Nursery: Purple  
Foundation: Purple  
Year 1: Purple  
Year 2: Purple  
Year 3: Red  
Year 4: Red  
Year 5: Red  
Year 6: Purple

Thank you very much for your support!

## Our Safeguarding Team

Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) -

Mrs. Kim Wenyon

Ms Kershaw

Miss. Jess Foster

Safeguarding Governor: Loretta Shepherd

At least one member of the DSL team will be available at school during the school day.

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## Keeping well this winter

There's always illness at this time of year due to the changing weather.

It is usually appropriate for parents/carers to send their children to school with mild respiratory illnesses. This would include general cold symptoms: a minor cough, runny nose or sore throat. If you are unsure please check the guidance on the NHS website.

You can get help and advice from:

- a pharmacy – pharmacists can give treatment advice for a range of minor illnesses and can tell you if you need to see a doctor
- your GP – you may be able to speak to a GP online or over the phone, or go in for an appointment if they think you need to
- NHS 111 – go to [111.nhs.uk](http://111.nhs.uk) or call 111 if you have an urgent medical problem and you are not sure what to do

If you are unsure please check the guidance on the NHS website.

Please note, school can not administer any medication to children that is not prescribed by a doctor. In this case we would ask that parents come into school to administer the medication to their child themselves.

## Parents of Westglade Group

Date: Every Friday

Time: 8.45-10.15

Location: The Hive

Would you like to join our Parents of Westglade group?

We meet weekly for chats, to learn new skills and form parent friendships. We also support the school in a number of ways including organising the Christmas Fair.

If you are interested or have any questions, just speak to Mrs Radmall any morning when she is outside reception.

## Diary dates for Autumn term

Every Wednesday—Year 4 swimming

Wednesday 4th December—Christmas Fair

Friday 6th December—Christmas Pantomime (this is for the children only)

Tuesday 10th December—Christmas performance for Year 1, 2 and 3 (9.15am and 4pm)

Wednesday 11th December—Christmas performance for Nursery and Reception (2.15)

Wednesday 11th December—Christmas Dinner Day

Thursday 12th December—Christmas performance for Year 4, 5 and 6 (9.15am and 4pm)

Thursday 19th December—Christmas jumper/non-uniform day and Christmas party afternoon.

Friday 20th December—last day of Autumn term

Back to school on Monday 6th January 2025

Some dates might be subject to change but we will let you know as soon as possible if they do.

## Leave requests

As a reminder, if you know that your child will be absent in advance can you please collect a 'Leave of absence' form from the school office. We ask that this is completed and returned with 6 weeks notice of the planned absence.



ASDA are doing a rewards cashpot for schools. If you shop at ASDA could we please ask you to sign up to this on the APP. Any money we can raise will be put towards the Christmas parties.