

# Newsletter December 2021



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#### **Dear Parents and Carers,**

A huge thank you to all parents and carers who have shown their full support throughout Autumn Term. Despite the on-going Covid crisis and imposed safety measures, our small school community have pulled and worked together to ensure school life for our children has continued as 'normal' as possible.

We were all so pleased that precious moments such as the Early Years Nativity and Class 2/Class 3's 'Christmas on Treasure Island' play were able to go ahead with live audiences. For some children this was their first opportunity to perform on stage and they did so well, exceeding expectations.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a very happy, and safe, Christmas break. We look forward to another exciting term in the New Year.

Kindest regards Mrs Hawes.



Autumn Term Ends: 17<sup>th</sup> Dec' 2021 Return to School: 4<sup>th</sup> Jan' 2022 PDDAY/School Closed: 18<sup>th</sup> Feb' 2022 February Half Term: 21<sup>st</sup> Feb' 2022 PDDAY/School Closed: 28<sup>th</sup> Feb' 2022 Return to School: 1<sup>st</sup> Mar' 2022

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

Happy Birthday to all children celebrating their special day! We hope you had a lovely day with family and friends.

**Nursery:** Joey, Harry, Marlowe, Verity, Holly, Lucas, Iris, Oscar

Class 1: Raeha, Alfie

Class 2: Olivia P, Gracie

Class 3: Henry

Class 4 Freya, Jemima, Alivia, Theo

#### **OLYMPIAN VISIT TO SCHOOL**

We were delighted to welcome Jack Smith into school earlier this month. Jack won **GOLD** at the 2021 Tokyo Paralympics. Jack, who is part of Team GB Wheelchair Rugby, spent time explaining his courageous journey before answering questions from Class 4.





Jack joined William, Oliver, Morgan and Amelia at the Mayors table. Jack's visit was thoroughly enjoyed by all, children spoke highly of his commitment and resilience and were truly inspired by the visit.

#### **CHRISTMAS WELL BEING**



Christmas can be a very exciting time for everyone, it can also be very stressful.

Here are 5 Festive tips from the Mental Health Foundation. More information can be found at:

<a href="https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk">https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk</a>



**Express Gratitude** 



Practice Balance and Self-Care



**Connect To Others** 



**Maintain Traditions** 



Get Creative With Your Gift-Giving



#### WINTER WEATHER CONDITIONS

We have experienced some awful weather recently, including gale force winds, a covering of snow and heavy rain. Roads around Wolviston get very busy and traffic soon builds up. We appreciate that all parents and carers try their best to get children to school on time, however, if you drive to school, please stay safe and be careful. We know you are on your way.

#### **TUCK SHOP THANK YOU**

Through the very kind generosity of M. Williamson and Workflow Services, who sponsor our tuck shop, we are able to send £138 to the orphans in Myanmar from the money raised. Our fortnightly tuck shop begins again on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> Jan'.





### COVID SAFETY MEASURES



Thank you to all parents and carers who have, as requested, started to wear a face covering when entering the playground.

Staff continue to follow government guidance, this includes the wearing of masks in communal areas, social distancing and maintaining regular handwashing routines with the children. Thank you to all parents and carers for remaining vigilant throughout the pandemic. It is very much appreciated.

#### **ROCKET MAKING WORKSHOP**

Class 2's DT rocket workshop was very well attended, and children and carers all had a fantastic morning sticking, gluing and decorating. It was really lovely to see the amazing creations that everyone produced.



Thank you to everyone who was able to attend and make it such a memorable morning for the children.

#### CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX APPEAL

A huge thank you to all parents, carers and children who have, very generously, donated to our shoe box appeal. We have received so many boxes which are all underneath our Christmas Tree. The boxes will be very much appreciated by those less fortunate than ourselves. Shoeboxes will be collected on 15th Dec.



#### **SPRING TERM 2:1 - AFTER SCHOOL CLUB**

We are very happy to provide wrap around care for all Wolviston Primary pupils. This is a fantastic service which provides structured care and support for your child and is led by qualified staff who know and see your child in school every day.

## Booking for next half term is now open!

Pease follow one of the links below.

Please complete a separate form for each child, to help with registers.

Thank you in advance.

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n9csH5UQkkzMzQyM0ZQVks3RTREWFpaSDA xM0E4SC4u



#### **Monday - Art Class**

Children will learn and explore different art techniques used by masters from across the world. From Georges Seurat's pointillism to Piet Mondrian's abstract art, children will get to use different art materials and equipment to replicate famous art works.

#### **Tuesday - Table Tennis PEAK Sports**

Children will learn how to play, and master Table Tennis skills with Miss Jones from PEAK

#### Wednesday - Games Night

Children will play a range of traditional board games. Games are likely to include Snakes and Ladders, Dominoes, Junior Scrabble, Connect Four and Monopoly.

#### **Thursday - Makaton**

Makaton is a unique language programme that uses symbols and signs to enable people to communicate. During the session children will develop signs they know as well as learning new signs which they use in our inclusive school

#### Friday - Yoga and Mindfulness

A range of mindful techniques will be introduced and explored with the children including focused tasks and exercises. Research shows that mindful children feel more connected to the people around them and are better able to cope with change.

To ensure the safety of all children, correct staffing ratios and the purchase of specific resources and supplies, we require parents and carers to commit to full half term/block booking. Unfortunately we are unable to offer bookings for specific dates.