



Waverley Abbey School

All things are possible for one who believes. Mark 9:23



School Newsletter 6

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HEAD'S UPDATE

Next week's learning/ worship theme – Jesus as an example of Fairness

So Peter opened his mouth and said: "Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him."

Acts 10:34-35

Dear Parents/ Carers,

The children have been focussed on Remembrance over the past week, thinking about Jesus as an example of commitment. On Wednesday, Year 6 led us (virtually) in our Service of Remembrance which was very moving. The video has been shared on our private YouTube channel for all families to see.

This week the children have also been discussing bullying as part of our 'Anti Bullying Week'. The week started with an odd socks day to remind us that we are all completely unique and special! The focus this year is an emphasis on our individuality but also knowing that we're all a piece in the puzzle, and together, we're united against bullying. I'm sure the children will be sharing with you the work they've been doing throughout the week.

This week the school's Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSLs) have all met too. We have 6 DSLs in the school to ensure that there is always someone on site who is trained in this area. Our DSLs are Mrs Ashford (lead DSL), Ms. Morris, Mr Brown, Mrs Hilyard, Mrs Lawrence

(our home school link worker) and myself. If a parent has any safeguarding concerns about any child then please call the school and a DSL will get straight back to you. Our safeguarding policy is also on our website.

The school has also been reviewing attendance this week with Surrey's inclusion team. I am delighted to report that the attendance at Waverley remains very high. The statistics regarding attendance speak for themselves. We know that children with good attendance fair far better than those with regular absences. Thank you for your continuing support in this.

As the weather becomes colder and wetter, please make sure your children have warm coats to wear as opposed to umbrellas as they are not suitable for playtimes. Recently the children have had to come in when the rain is still fairly light due to the number of children who have not brought a coat in to school with them. We would like to keep children outside playing, even when it is raining as we know how much benefit they get being outside in the fresh air. Please continue to remind your children when leaving for school that they will need their coat every day. We will endeavour to have the pupils eat outside whenever possible however if the weather is inclement or frosty they will eat inside. Many thanks.

Have a super weekend,

Rebecca Marshall - Headteacher

School News & Information:

Year 5 Remembrance Wow Wall

We were so impressed with the effort Year 5 put into their remembrance homework last week. There have been some beautiful pieces of work - it's clear a lot of time and care were taken over them. Well done Year 5!



School Meal Credit Balances

Refunds can be issued by Surrey County Council for school meals but we do suggest that unless absolutely necessary it makes sense to leave a balance in place in case meals are needed in the future. If you are sure you require a refund please contact the school office to arrange this. Refunds will automatically be arranged for any credit balances still in place when a pupil leaves the school.

Families Surrey West

We're pleased to be able to send you the Nov/Dec Families Magazine.

It is packed with local Christmas events and also has many resources and ideas for Christmas crafts, cooking and more to help you and your family enjoy Christmas time.

You can read the magazine [HERE](#).

We hope you enjoy it.

REMINDERS

Can we please remind parents that payment is due for the following activities and may be made via your SCOPay account:

Science Workshops (Year 4) & Wintershall Travelling Crib (whole school)

Whilst payment is voluntary these activities cannot take place without parental contributions. Thank you.

BBC Children in Need

We are delighted to announce that we have managed to raise an amazing £465.66 for BBC Children in Need.

Thank you kindly to those who so generously donated.

Car Parking

We would like to gently remind parents to only come into your allocated car parking area at your scheduled time. We have been made aware that some parents are arriving much earlier than their time slot, therefore causing a knock on effect to those parents picking up for their allocated time, causing late pick-ups for those parents.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH 16th December IMPORTANT

Due to COVID restrictions we currently only have 2 caterers providing take-out school meals so sadly the usual Christmas lunch will not be on offer, although they will be making a few changes to the menu on 16th December to make it more festive. They are also unable to cater for any additional children who **do not normally** have a school meal so **if your child normally has a packed lunch**, please provide a 'festive' lunch box for that day so that it feels a bit special for everyone, **please do not order a school meal.**

Diary dates for Autumn Term

November

23 rd	Flu Nasal Immunisation
24 th	Flu Nasal Immunisation

December

16 th	Christmas Lunch
16 th	Christmas Jumper Day
17 th	Year Group Class Based Christmas Parties (Details to follow)
18 th	End of Autumn Term Year 6 - 1.10pm finish Year 5 – 1:20pm finish Year 4 – 1:30pm finish Year 3 – 1:40pm finish

Drive-In Cinema at The Duke of Cambridge!

Join us for a contact-free American movie theatre experience, this Christmas! We're hosting 3 days of festive movies, played on a large cinema screen in the field next door to our pub, where you'll be allocated a parking space and given an in-car Bluetooth speaker. What better way to get into the festive spirit? Simply park up, sit back in your car chairs and enjoy a Christmas classic as a family.

Tickets selling fast, book yours now: <https://bit.ly/32XWqOd>

SATURDAY 19th DECEMBER:

Frozen - 12pm
Arthur Christmas - 3.30pm
How the Grinch Stole Christmas - 7pm

SUNDAY 20th DECEMBER:

Klaus - 12pm
The Muppet Christmas Carol - 3.30pm
The Santa Clause - 7pm

MONDAY 21st DECEMBER:

The Polar Express - 12pm
Home Alone - 3.30pm
Elf - 7pm (SOLD OUT)

The Music Works – Free Keyboard Taster Lesson

The Music Works is delighted to invite all students at Waverley Abbey to join us for a free keyboard taster lesson on Tuesday 24th November 2020! All you have to do to reserve your space is sign up at <https://www.themusicworks.co/freelesson>

Once signed up there is nothing else for you to do. We will schedule your child's lesson on the day stated above and supply all of the necessary equipment so they can have a great introduction to music lessons! Our experienced teachers are trained to the highest standard by world leader Yamaha, to ensure we deliver the best possible lessons in your school during the school day.

We are committed to the safety of our teachers and students and adhere to your school's COVID-19 policies, including sanitisation of instruments between lessons and group lessons delivered in year bubbles.

The Music Works – we make musicians.