

Westgate News

The Newsletter for Westgate Primary School



IMPORTANT:

School Closure due to Industrial Action

Due to industrial action by the combined teacher and school leadership trade unions, **school will be closed to children for the whole day next Wednesday, 30th November**, unless we advise otherwise.

Football Match

On Monday, our football team played against St. Mary Immaculate School. Jessica and Brad gave us some quotes on how they felt the game went:

"The first half of the game was fantastic and we created lots of chances to strike at goal and had a few shots at goal too. In the second half we brought on new players so that they could get some experience and they did fantastic. The score didn't matter because we tried our best and worked as a team."

Bradley, the captain, said he enjoyed the match and the great teamwork.

Mrs Daniels and parents who watched the match felt very proud of Westgate players.

A Reminder about Picking up Children

Could parents who ask their older children to meet them on Friars Street at the end of the day please make sure they are on time to pick them up. Yesterday evening the school crossing patrol brought two children, whose parents were late, back in to school at 3.45pm because they were waiting on their own in the street. This is not safe and if it happens again we will keep them with us so that they are collected from the playground. School ends at 3.15pm so please make sure you are here on time.

Christmas performances

This year our Christmas performances will be on Tuesday, 13th December. KS1 will be at 2.15pm and KS2 at 6pm. We have not put on an evening performance for our younger children because parents often feel that they don't want them to come back in the evening after a long school day.

Any parents who are unable to make the 13th December should speak to their child's class teacher about attending the dress rehearsal on the day before.

Parents Consultation Evenings

Appointment times for our Parent Consultation evening on Monday have now been sent home. If your slip does not arrive, please speak with your child's class teacher and they will be able to assist.

Children's Art Exhibition

Thanks to everyone who came along to the art exhibition to look at all the art work that our children have been working so hard on. It was a great success and the children enjoying seeing their artwork framed and displayed.

If you were unable to attend the exhibition there is the opportunity to view your child's work over the next two weeks, with the option to purchase if you so wish. If you would like to do this please call into the school office any day until 6th December.

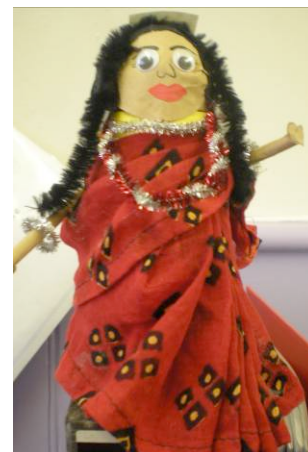
Willy Wonka Visits Westgate

Willy Wonka visited school on Tuesday as our after school drama group put on their performance of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory.

The group have been working hard on an adaptation of the play this term, but decided to perform early when they discovered their lead was to leave before the performance scheduled for the end of term. While this meant they needed some script support the case worked really hard to learn their lines and to carry off the performance like seasoned professionals, not letting this faze them.

There were some memorable moments and even some laughs as they told the story of Charlie Bucket finding his golden ticket and visiting the famous factory. The Oompa Loompas were fantastic, learning their chants beautifully, and each of the characters played their parts really well. Well done to all of the children - you should all be very proud of yourselves!

Decorated Jar Competition



Congratulations to Asmi in Year 1, who is the winner of our competition. Asmi made a beautiful Indian lady, with a long plait down her back and lovely clothes and jewels. *It was amazing!*

School is CLOSED on Wednesday 30th November
Bring a Bottle Non-Uniform Day on Friday 2nd December!

DIARY DATES (new events in **BOLD**):

Next week:

Mon 28th Nov: Y2 Tree Planting at Warwick Castle

3.30pm-7pm: Parent Consultation Evening

Weds 30th Nov: SCHOOL CLOSED for Industrial Action

Fri 2nd Dec 8.30am-9.30am: Parent Consultations

Bring a Bottle Non-Uniform Day

Planning ahead:

Thurs 8th Dec: KS1 to "The Tiger who came to Tea"

Fri 9th Dec, 3-5pm: Christmas Fayre

Tues 13th Dec 2.15pm: KS1 Performance

6pm: KS2 performance

Weds 14th Dec 5-8pm: KS2 theatre trip to Robin Hood

Fri 16th Dec: Last Day of Term

Christmas Theatre Trips

Please don't forget to send in permission slips and payment for our Christmas Theatre trips. Many thanks to the parent who reminded us that we hadn't let you know who to make cheques payable to, and many apologies for the oversight. If you are paying by cheque, please pay: Westgate Primary School.

KS1 children are going to see "The Tiger Who Came To Tea", and KS2 children will see "The Heart of Robin Hood" at the Royal Shakespeare Theatre. Dates are in the diary. If you need a payment card, please complete the form and this will be arranged.

Friends of Westgate

Victorian Evening.

Yesterday the town came alive to the sights and sounds of the Victorian era (although thankfully not the smells!) for the annual Christmas Lights switch on.

Our stall at the Victorian evening was a huge success, as always, and children (and adults) crowded around to win one of our jars of sweets.

Thank you to everyone who supported with donations of jars and sweets or other goodies, and to all those who decorated jars and sweets, your support is much appreciated.

NON-UNIFORM DAY - Friday 2nd December!

BRING A BOTTLE (or two!)

Next Friday we are holding a Non-Uniform Day where children can wear home clothes into school.

The catch is that they must bring in at least one bottle as a contribution for our bottle tombola at the Christmas Fayre. This is always a popular stall, and it raises lots of money for school, so please be as generous as you can. We will be having two stalls, one with alcoholic bottles, and one carrying non-alcoholic bottles, so please donate whatever you can!

★★★ **Learning for Ourselves - Learners from This Week** ★★★

Reception	Ethan	Fantastic phonics and writing this week, Mrs Robbins and Miss Milburn are very proud of you
Year 1	Ethan	Excellent writing in sentences, you have begun to use full stops! Brilliant!
Year 2	Tyler	Using lovely, descriptive phrases in your writing, particularly descriptions of the moon
Year 3/4	Frankie	Thinking hard to produce lovely ideas and linking them together really well in your story. Keep it up!
Year 5/6	Sean	ALWAYS working so very hard and recently producing great linked ideas for writing stories
Starlights	Zaine	Listening so well and following instructions while cooking with Mrs Leef

Congratulations: Ellie-Mae and Isaac - Playground Awards

Happy Birthday: Lewis in Y1, Tia Rose and Lewis in Y6

All parents are welcome to join us on Friday mornings for Tea/Coffee and cakes at 9am, followed by Learners Assembly at 9.10am.

Fundraising News,



Our Cake Sale raised a brilliant **£126.34** for Children in Need, thank you to everyone!



Our Jar Tombola, shared with Westgate Pre-School, raised a huge **£302.00**, an amazing total! Grateful thanks to all parents who sent in sweets and jars and to all parents and staff who manned the stall at the Victorian Evening last night. A fantastic effort!