

Westdale Infant School

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Brrrr! What a beautiful but cold week! We loved seeing the snow at playtimes and would like to thank everyone for taking extra care to get children into school, we know the mornings are particularly icy. We can't wait to see our wonderful choir perform on Sunday at the Mapperley Christmas Festival and please join us if you can! Thank you to Mrs Jenkins for all the practice and organisation.



A big congratulations to this week's House Point Winners, FIRE!

Weekly Attendance Update

Year so far: **96.04%** | 18th – 22nd November: **93.8%** | Target: **97%**

Bring a Bauble!

We are going to decorate our school Christmas tree next week and we would love the children to be involved. We are asking everybody (including Little Stars) to bring a bauble to class by next Wednesday (27th November). This can be anything! A drawing on paper, a cardboard shape, a bauble, or any other type of decoration. All we ask is that it can be hung/attached to the tree. We can't wait to see it all together!



Christmas Activities Payments

This is a polite reminder that a **£5** payment is now available in your ParentMail account (under the 'cart' symbol) and is due by Friday 13th December. This will cover your child's Christmas activities including Christmas Jumper Day, Meet Santa & Gift, and Christmas Party Disco. Many thanks to those who have already paid and, as always, please speak with us if you need any support.



Upcoming Events

Sunday 24th November

Choir Performance – Mapperley Christmas Festival (3:30pm)

Monday 25th November

POW Wreath Workshop 1

Tuesday 26th November

Y2 RNLI Visit (internal)
POW Wreath Workshop 2

Friday 29th November

Photos – Mop Up Session (includes sibling photos)

Important Information

Please find an **updated term dates** summary attached to the round up.

School calendar link:



Next week's [School Dinners](#) will be **Week 1**. Please note that dinner orders are taken a week in advance.

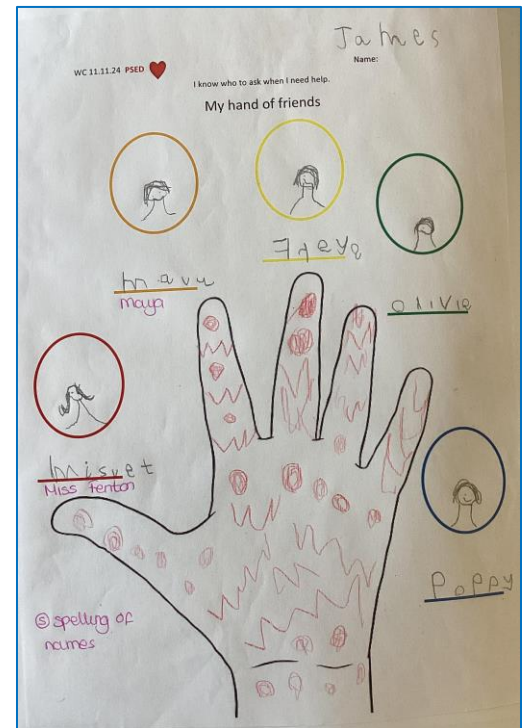
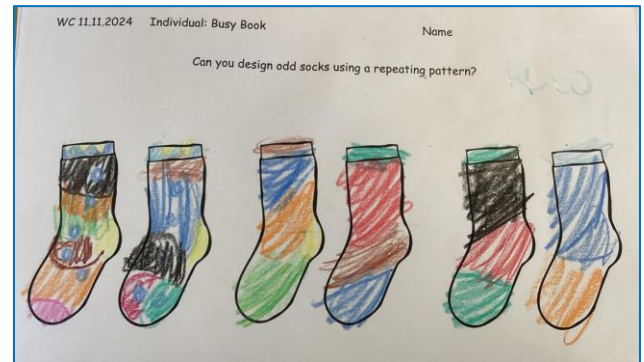
That's a Wrap!

We want to say another huge thank you to those who volunteered to be Christmas Elves and help with our giftwrapping. You are all superstars! The children love receiving a present from Santa on Christmas Party Day and we are also so happy to see so much support for the school.



Anti-Bullying Activities

During our anti-bullying week last week, our Year Two classes learned the difference between being a 'bystander' and an 'upstander' when encountering bullying. They made some fantastic posters (included in last week's round up) and below is some more information to help support learning at home. Our F2 classes (Ladybirds and Butterflies) also coloured in odd socks to celebrate uniqueness and differences and identified their friends when needing help. Well done everyone!



Cashpot for Schools

Parentkind – the charity that supports school PTAs - have teamed up with Asda, who is making millions of pounds available to donate to primary schools across the UK through their 'Cashpot for Schools' initiative – all you have to do is, opt in through the Asda Rewards app, choose our primary school and shop and scan in store or shop online at Asda.com, between 2nd September and 30th November 2024.

Asda will donate 0.5% of the value of your shop to Westdale Infant School! Also, every time somebody opts in, Asda will give an additional £1 to the school Cashpot. Plus, it doesn't stop there – Asda are also giving £50 to every school to get them started. Your support is much appreciated!

Staff Shout Out

This week we would like to say a big thank you to Miss Thompson, one of our superstar Teaching Assistants! Miss Thompson has been with Westdale for four years and through this time supported so many of our Little Stars in the nursery. The children love to see her again over in the main school and some lucky ones get to spend time with her in wraparound! Miss Thompson is nurturing and caring, and we appreciate her very much! Thank you.



Round Up Attachments

Please find some information leaflets attached to the round up:

- Latest MHST (Mental Health Support Team) newsletter
- 2024 Holiday Activities and Food programme (HAF) for free school meal families
- Nottinghamshire's Best Start for life offer - a guide to local support and services from pregnancy to two years old.

Have a lovely weekend everybody!