



Fishwick Primary School

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Thursday 2nd November 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back. I hope you all had a lovely half term break. This half term is full of activities particularly in the run up to the Christmas break so I have listed some key dates for you at the end of this letter.

Beginning and End of the School Day

Can I remind you all that the school day runs from 8.45am – 3.15pm. We have increasing numbers of children arriving late and also regularly being picked up early or late. Can all parents please do their best to ensure this does not continue to happen in the future.



Now that we have all been back in school a full half term can I also encourage parents to leave their children at the playground door. This helps us with independence and a prompt start to the session. We know there will be times that you need to speak to a member of staff and if this is the case please go to the office and they will be able to arrange this for you.

Can I also remind parents whose children attend Breakfast Club that the entrance is at the back of school and not through our main Reception. Letters, etc. can be handed to Breakfast Club Staff who will pass them on to the office for you.

Thank you all for your support in this.

Firework Safety

As I am sure you know, it is Bonfire night at the weekend. Please take some time to remind your child about these important rules. I know there have been some issues in the community with children throwing fireworks so it is more important than ever that we make sure the children know how dangerous they can be.

Firework Code

1. Only adults should light and hold fireworks.
2. Stand well back when watching fireworks and bonfires.
3. Never approach a firework that has not gone off or is used.
4. Enjoy sparklers safely by wearing gloves and holding them at arms length.
5. When a sparkler goes out put it straight into a bucket of water.
6. Keep your pets safely indoors.
7. Have a great time!

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Remembrance Day

As always, poppies will be available in school from 6th November to support the British Legion fundraising for service men and women and their families. Please send a minimum of 20p for a poppy if you wish to support this. We are also selling reflectors, wristbands and zip pulls for £1.00. These will be brought round to classrooms each day next week. Please note wristbands may only be worn this week – they must not be brought into school after 11th November.

Admissions

The closing date for Primary applications for 2023 is 15th January 2023.

Please apply for a school or academy place online at:

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/apply-for-a-school-place/starting-primary-school/>

We are listed as Preston Fishwick.

Registration for Break Time Activities

Registration for Break Time short break activities 2024/25 is now open.

Both new and existing members must register to access the service from April 2024.

Visit <https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/.../things.../break-time/...> to register, find out more about Break Time, if your child is eligible, and what activities are on offer.

Children in Need

The School Council are holding a 'wear your own clothes' day to raise money for Children in Need on Friday 17th November. Suggested donation 50p per child or £1 per family although we understand that what is affordable is different for each family.



Diary Dates for this Half Term

8/11/23 School Photograph Day

10/11/23 Flu immunisations Day

6/12/23 Y6 Class assembly @ 2.45pm (Parents Welcome)

13/12/23 Christmas Performance @ 2pm (Parents Welcome)

14/12/23 Christmas Performance @ 10am (Parents Welcome)

15/12/22 Wear Your Own Clothes Day for a chocolate fundraiser donation

18/12/23 Panto @ 9.30

18/12/23 1.45pm Glitter & Glue (Parents Welcome)

19/12/23 Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper day 20/12/23 Party Day

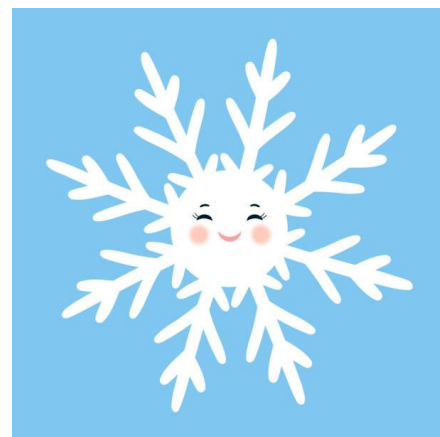
21/12/23 Break for the holidays @ 1.15pm

Monday 8/1/24 8.45am Back to school

Many thanks

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Headteacher



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