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## NEWSLETTER 14 - 20<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2023

# MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM YEADON WESTFIELD INFANT SCHOOL

School finishes at 3.10pm on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2023 for the Christmas break, reopening on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024 at 8.40am



### ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS



Headteacher Tea Party 15/12/2023



Rocket Awards 18/12/2023



Handwriting Stars 18/12/2023



Reading Stars 18/12/2023

Congratulations to the children who went to the Headteacher's Tea Party on Friday and those who received awards in assembly on Monday.

More photographs are available on the website

<https://www.westfieldinfants.co.uk/page/achievements/63794>

## **MESSAGE FROM MS LOWRY**

Hi,

We have made it to Bethlehem which has felt like a long journey.... I think we are all ready for the break after a final visit to Church, a disco and a visit from Santa. The children have had a great half term. They have worked hard and learned a lot. They had a great time at the theatre and with the theatre groups that came into school. Thank you for your support with fundraising particularly the Christmas Fair and the Santa Dash.

Have a restful break and we look forward to seeing everyone on 8th January at 8.40am.

Ms Lowry

## **RECEPTION NATIVITY & NURSERY SING-A-LONG**

Well done to the Reception children for their amazing singing yesterday and to Nursery children for their performances today. Thanks to the staff and children for all their hard work.



The photographs are also available on the school [website](#).

## **NATIVITY RECORDINGS**

The recordings of the Nativity performances will be available on the website by the end of this week. We will email you with the password. We would like to say a big thankyou to Elliott and Frankie for giving up their time to record and edit the films.

## **SCHOOL COUNCIL BISCUIT FUNDRAISER**

The School Council baked and iced biscuits for every child in school this week. Thanks for the donations of silver coins - £27.11 was raised.



More photographs are available on the school [website](#).

## **REMINDERS**

### **CHILDREN STARTING NURSERY, RECEPTION & YEAR 3 IN SEPTEMBER 2024**

The remaining Open Day for children due to start Nursery or Reception in September 2024 will be on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2024: Tours at 9.30am and 10am

To book a tour please complete the form at this link: <https://forms.office.com/e/Edz4C3aiNg>.

**If your child is currently in Year 2 and you would like to look around Yeadon Westfield Junior School they will be open at the same times. Please contact them on 0113 2503395 for more details.**

Applications for Reception and Year 3 places opened on 1 November 2023. The deadline to apply is 15 January 2024. Please remember that although your child is guaranteed a place at Yeadon Westfield Junior School, you still have to submit an application. There is more information about how to apply on Leeds City Council website <https://www.leeds.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-admissions/apply-for-a-primary-school>.

## **USEFUL WEBSITE LINKS**

Keep up to date with school news and blogs by downloading the School Spider parents app and selecting Yeadon Westfield Infant School. To receive instant messages and use the payment facility you will need to log in.



## SECOND HAND UNIFORM AND THE WESTFIELD PANTRY

Parents and carers at Westfield Infants have access to our stock of second hand uniform and food parcels from The Westfield Pantry. To find out more information, please follow the links below:-

- [The Westfield Pantry](#)
- [Second Hand Uniform](#)

## PUPIL PREMIUM AND FREE SCHOOL MEALS

If you're on benefits and your child is entitled to universal infant free school meals anyway or brings a packed lunch, it's still important to register for a free school meal to ensure school doesn't miss out on funding called pupil premium. Find out more information on our [school website](#).

## EASY FUNDRAISING

Please support Yeadon Westfield Infant School at [Easy Fundraising](#) when doing your everyday shopping.



## GOVERNOR NEWS

### GOVERNOR PROFILE – LUKE WATTS

My name is Luke, I am a co-opted governor for the school. I come from a background in teaching and want to give back to my local community. My son attends the school also. I'm looking forward to having an impact on teaching and learning in school.



## STARS BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUB NEWS

A very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from the staff and children at STARS.

**STARS Before and After School Club is open to children in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 & 2 and siblings at the Junior school. To find out more information about opening times and prices, please visit the [STARS page](#) on our website. To arrange a visit to STARS, please contact the school office on 0113 2505449.**



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT
Thursday	21/12/2023	9.00am-10.30am	Whole School visit to St John's Church
Thursday	21/12/2023	PM	Christmas Discos
Friday	22/12/2023	3.10pm	School closes for the Christmas Holiday
Monday	08/01/2024	8.40am	School opens for the Spring Term

## **COMMUNICATIONS SINCE LAST NEWSLETTER**

<b>EMAILS:</b>	13/12/2023 – Headlice Year 1 Red 13/12/2023 – Headlice Year 2 Blue 13/12/2023 – Jewellery in School 13/12/2023 – Christmas Dinner 14/12/2023 15/12/2023 – After School Clubs for Spring Term (Reception, Year 1 and Year 2) 15/12/2023 – Reading Books Year 1 & 2 18/12/2023 – School Council Christmas Biscuit Fundraiser 19/12/2023 – Nursery Sing-a-long 19/12/2023 – Reading Books Reception 19/12/2023 – Reminder Lego Club 19/12/2023 – Reminder Dodgeball and Multiskills Club
<b>SENT HOME VIA CLASS:</b>	
<b>COLLECTING:</b>	Batteries for recycling
<b>WEBSITE UPDATES:</b>	<a href="#">Achievements</a> , Christmas Dinner, Reception Nativity, Class Blogs (by end of week), Reception and Keystage 1 Nativity videos (by end of week), School Council Baking

# The direct and indirect effects of cold weather



Exposure to cold weather can affect your health in different ways, even at temperatures as mild as 4 to 8°C

## Direct effects

-  **heart attack**
-  **stroke**
-  **increased risk of respiratory disease**
-  **hypothermia**
-  **falls and injuries**
-  **weakened lung function causing an increased risk of influenza**

## Indirect effects

-  **disruption to healthcare services** caused by snow and ice
-  **carbon monoxide poisoning** from faulty boilers, cookers, heaters and fires
-  **poorer mental health** and reduced educational and employment attainment have been linked to cold homes and fuel poverty

## Things we can all do to stay warm



**Heat rooms to 18 degrees if you can**



**Keep bedroom windows closed**



**Wear plenty of layers**



**Eat well and stay hydrated**



UK Health  
Security  
Agency

# Keeping warm and well: staying safe in cold weather

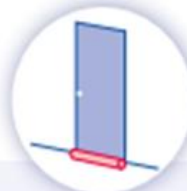
## Plan ahead



Check the weather forecast and the news



Make sure you have sufficient food and medicine



Take simple measures to reduce draughts at home

## Keep yourself warm



Heat rooms you spend most time in to 18°C if you can



Keep bedroom windows closed



Wear multiple layers of thinner clothing

## Prepare your home



Check what financial support may be available for you



Use energy saving tips to save money on heating



Make sure appliances are safe and working well

## Look after yourself and others



If you're eligible, get vaccinated against flu and COVID-19



Check on others who may be vulnerable



Get help if needed. Call NHS 111 or in an emergency 999

For more information go to:

[Top tips for keeping warm and well this winter - www.GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk)