



WHALEY BRIDGE E.R. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers

Wishing you all a belated Happy New Year! I would like to say a big thank you for your support and patience when we experienced snowy weather a few weeks ago, the late start time worked very well and gave our staff members and children, who do not live locally, time to get to school safely.

High Peak Radio – Sing a Carol competition

Thank you to all who voted for our talented choir in the High Peak Radio Sing a Carol competition. The children sang “On a starry night,” and out of 19 High Peak schools, our choir came 2nd! The children thoroughly enjoyed the experience. The majority of our choir will be performing at the MEN tomorrow for the annual Young Voices concert.



After school club – Ofsted inspection

On Monday 19th December, WBPS After School Club were inspected by Ofsted. They were judged as “Good” in all areas! Well done to Suzanna King and her dedicated team. The report can be viewed via the link: <https://reports.ofsted.gov.uk/>

Billy Elliot

A group of children from the school choir went to see the musical “Billy Elliot” a few weeks ago. It was absolutely fantastic we all laughed and cried! The children thoroughly enjoyed it. I was particularly proud of their behaviour and attitude throughout the performance and it was lovely to receive praise from members of the public who also commended our children on their excellent behaviour.

An early Spring clean!

This week we have had a big clear out in school, hence the big skip in the playground. The ICT suite has been our main focus as we have decided it needs a complete revamp. The wonderful PTA have raised over

£3,500 to enable Mrs Thirsk to purchase ipads, flat screen TV, laptops and new furniture. After half term we hope to unveil the new ICT suite where the children will enjoy using the new equipment.

We have 12 blue office/swivel chairs and various sizes of computer desks going for sale. If anyone would like to purchase a chair/desk for their office or child's room, please call in at the office for further information. We are asking for a donation of £10 which will go towards the ICT suite.

British Science Week 2017

WBPS will be taking part in British Science Week which will take place on 13th - 19th March. Thank you to all the parents who have volunteered either: resources, themselves and equipment to ensure we have a good representation of all the sciences. If you would like to take part and have a science background, please let Miss Mansfield (Year 1 class teacher) know.

SPRING TERM DATES 2017

FEBRUARY		
1.2.17	Wednesday	School Choir going to MEN for Young Voices
3.2.17	Friday	Year 2 Class Assembly @9am
10.2.17	Friday	Year 1 Class Assembly @9am School closes for half term at 3:30pm
20.2.17	Monday	School re-opens – children in
24.2.16	Friday	Reception JB Class Assembly @9am Interim reports out to parents/carers
MARCH		
3.3.17	Friday	World Book Day – dressing up as book character
10.3.17	Friday	Year 6 class assembly @9am
13-19	Mon-Fri	British Science Week
14.3.17	Tuesday	Parents' evening
17.3.17	Friday	Year 5 class assembly @9am
16.3.17	Thursday	Parents' evening
24.3.17	Friday	Year 4/5 class assembly @9am
31.3.17	Friday	Year 3/4W class assembly @9am
APRIL		
6.4.17	Thursday	Easter bonnet parade and decorate an egg comp 9am
6.4.17	Thursday	School closes for Easter at 3:30pm
7.4.17	Friday	INSET – School closed
24.4.17	Monday	School re-opens – children in
28.4.17	Friday	Year 3/4L class assembly @9am

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs Fay Walton
Headteacher