

What we've been up to!

Friday 24th November 2023

Open Day was a super busy day with lots of families interested in joining our school. Thank you all for sharing the information.

We have been learning all about Remembrance Day with Revd. Hannah leading our Remembrance Service here in school.

Y6 Bike-Ability—our children enjoyed learning to ride safely on our busy roads. Huge thanks to Sporting NRG.

Y3 GULP (Give Up Loving Pop)

—Year 3 have been having several lessons from Blackburn Rovers Community Trust with the focus on healthy living and lifestyle.



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General Information

Infant Nativity Performance— Please see the email sent from Mrs Carr regarding the performances.

Pre-Loved School Uniform—can now also be ordered by completing the form attached to this email and sending it to Mrs Page in the school office. Thank you

School Staff Car Park & Side Road—please do not park on the school car park or side road when dropping off and collecting children for safety reasons. Please pass this message onto other relatives/friends who may collect. Thank you

Parent Governor Vacancies—we have two parent Governor vacancies. Please see the email sent today should you wish to consider yourself for one of these roles. Thank you

School Closure due to bad weather

In the last couple of years, we have extensively reviewed our 'extreme weather' procedures and stress to all our families that I will always make every effort to open school in cases of bad weather but only if I can guarantee it is safe to do so. **"Safe" is not always referring to the ground conditions and often refers to the ratio of adults and children I can offer.** I would ask for everyone's understanding that there MAY be instances when the weather conditions around school do not seem severe at all but, as many staff travel long distances to Edgworth, I may be unable to safely open school due to the number of staff who can make it in. The procedure for informing families remains the same in that, **only if the school is to be closed or delayed start**, we will send a text message and email to all parents, staff, governors and external agencies at 7am and a note will be added to the school website to advise of the plans for the day. Please do not use any other form of communication (e.g. Facebook) or hearsay as a basis for a decision about school opening as this has led to confusion in the past.

It is possible that in extreme weather we may have a delayed start, but this would be communicated in the official 7am message. If the weather takes an extreme turn for the worse during the day, we will contact all parents to arrange collection of children. Children will not be released unless we have made contact with parents.

Please ensure the number we have as your emergency contact is one that can be reached during the day. On occasion, we have tried to ring an emergency number only to find it is to a phone that must be switched off during the working day and so, as such, is not an appropriate emergency contact number. Thank you in advance of your support on this challenging issue.

Christmas Lunch

Christmas Lunch & Hat Competition – Wednesday 6th December (No tuck shop on this day)

As is tradition, Mrs Appleton and her team of elves will be serving Christmas lunch to the children on Wednesday 6th December. All children who are already on school meals will automatically be offered this lunch (vegetarian/vegan options available too). However, **if your child is currently on packed lunches from home, but wishes to join in, please email the school office to reserve their place before 30th November**. Unfortunately, late bookings cannot be accepted as Mrs Appleton will need to place her orders in advance. The cost of the lunch is £2.60 which will be added to your child's ParentPay account. Mrs Appleton is also running her **Christmas hat competition** which is open to all children and prizes will go to those children judged to have put lots of effort into their own creation! Hats can be brought into school on Wed 6th Dec for judging.

PTFA Update

Christmas Jumper Days - Dig those Christmas jumpers out for every Friday in December! Normal school uniform please but with Christmas jumper instead of school jumper/cardigan. The PTFA are kindly asking for £1 donation on Friday 1st December, a donation of chocolate on Friday 8th December but no donation for Friday 15th December.

Christmas Fair Friday 15th December – Friday 15th December 10.00 – 11.00am for Infants (Rec, Year 1 & 2) and 2.00-3.00pm for Juniors (Years 3-6). As this event is held during the school day, this will be for the children only. If your child wishes to bring money to spend at the fair, please put this into a named purse, wallet or envelope, thank you.

Friday 15th December – in addition to the Christmas Fair, Mrs Appleton has arranged for the children to have a **special school lunch, themed 'Christmas Markets'**. The menu will be Hot Dog Sausage or Vegan sausage on a roll, or turkey or vegan filled Yorkshire Pudding wrap all served with fries. For pudding, there will be Christmas biscuits or fruit and hot chocolate. All children who have a school meal will automatically be offered this meal and if your child is on packed lunches from home but they would like to sign up, please drop an email to the office before 8th December. The cost of the meal is £2.60 which will be added to your child's ParentPay account. Huge thanks to Mrs Appleton and her team; we're all really looking forward to it.

Community News

Turton Young Farmers Christmas Tractor Run is Sunday 3rd December in aid of TYFC and North West Blood Bikes. Please see the attached flyer for the route details. This is an amazing event and one not to be missed; last years was just fantastic and is definitely worth wrapping up warm and standing outside to see.

Wishing you all a peaceful and relaxing weekend. Don't forget to check out our Facebook page to see more amazing pictures of our school in action! (via the new school website www.turtonandedgworthprimary.co.uk)

Mr Wheatley

Christmas Carol Service (KS2)

We are once again going to be having our school **Christmas Carol Service at St. Anne's Church in Chapeltown on Thursday 14th December starting at 1.45pm. Only children in Years 3 to 6 will be walking to Church, however, all families** are welcome to attend. Each junior class will be singing their favourite Carol.

Children will walk to and from the church so please ensure they have a coat. Children should wear their school uniform and they may wear a Christmas hat, reindeer headband, tinsel in their hair, etc. The service should last around 30 minutes and we will then be selling hot chocolate and mince pies for £1. We can only take cash please and correct change would be wonderful. Thank you

Revised Administering Medicine Policy

We have recently reviewed our Administering Medicine Policy which is attached to the email for reference or can be found on the school website. Please do have look through as it may be of use to you.

Calendar of Events

The complete school calendar of events can be found on the school website, under the Parents tab, Term Dates and will be the version that is kept updated. If there are any changes or new additions to the calendar, we will highlight these in amber for your ease. Paper copies can also be collected from the school office.

Please note that the Infant Christmas Party has moved from Monday 11th to Monday 18th December.

Fri 1 st Dec	All day	Whole school	PTFA Christmas jumper day (£1 donation)
Tues 5 th Dec	2.30-3.30pm	Infants	Infant Christmas Performance for parents
Wed 6 th Dec	12-1.00pm	School Meals	Christmas Lunch for those on school meals
Wed 6 th Dec	2.30-3.30pm	Infants	Infant Christmas Performance for parents
Wed 6 th Dec	5.30-6.15pm	Infants	Infant Christmas Performance for parents
Fri 8 th Dec	All day	Whole school	PTFA Christmas jumper day and chocolate donations for Christmas Fair
Fri 8 th Dec	09.45-10.30am	Infants	Infant Christmas Performance for Seniors
Tues 12 th Dec	10.00am	Whole school	Panto visiting school - Sleeping Beauty
Tues 12 th Dec	1.00-3.00pm	Years 5 & 6	Year 5 & 6 Christmas Party
Wed 13 th Dec	12.30-2.30pm	Year 2	Turton Tower - A Victorian Christmas
Wed 13 th Dec	1.00-3.00pm	Years 3 & 4	Year 3 & 4 Christmas Party
Thurs 14 th Dec	9.00-10.00am	Rec Parents	Reception parents craft session
Thurs 14 th Dec	1.45-2.45pm	Junior pupils	Christmas Carol Service St. Anne's
Fri 15 th Dec	9.00-10.00am	Rec Parents	Reception parents craft session
Fri 15 th Dec	All day	Whole school	PTFA Christmas jumper - no donation req'd
Fri 15 th Dec	10.00-11.00am	Infants	PTFA Christmas Fair
Fri 15 th Dec	2.00-3.00pm	Juniors	PTFA Christmas Fair
Mon 18 th Dec	1.00-3.00pm	Infants	Infant Christmas Party
Tues 19 th Dec	2.45pm	Rock Steady pupils	Rock Steady Concert for parents
Wed 20 th Dec	1.30pm	Whole school	Special Visitor!
Wed 20 th Dec	3.30pm	Whole school	Finish for Christmas break
Thurs 21st Dec	All day	Whole school	Staff Training Day - Closed to pupils
Christmas Break Friday 22 nd December to Friday 5 th January 2024 (inclusive)			
Mon 8 th Jan	08.55am	Whole school	School starts