



Walsden St Peter's Newsletter 27th November 2020

Dear parents/carers,

Christmas Plans - update

- **Overgate Hospice Reindeer Run** – Our noses and antlers have arrived! Pupils and staff will be taking part in a Reindeer run to raise money for Overgate Hospice. This will take place in the last week of term. Further information will be coming home next week.
- As December approaches our classes are getting into the Christmas spirit, busy practising for our **2020 Christmas performance**...coming soon to a screen near you soon!



Friends of Walsden (FOW) – Christmas Bonanza Raffle

Raffle tickets have been sent home with children this week. There are some amazing raffle prizes as lots of local businesses have very generously supported us; a **BIG THANK YOU** to them. Please sell your tickets to family and/or friends and once sold, return the stubs (complete with contact details) and money to school in a sealed envelope marked 'FOW – Christmas Raffle' plus your child's name and class. Tickets are £1 each; extra tickets available at the office. The raffle will be drawn on Wednesday 16th December; the deadline for returning stubs and money is Monday 14th December. Thank you in advance.

Todmorden School Councils' Christmas Hamper Appeal – help needed.

Thank you for all the donations so far. Our newly elected school councillors: Paddy O'Neil, Eleanor Fielden (Y1), Tristan Hemsley-Guy, Aubrey Rawlinson (Y2), Amelia Pearce, Jim Halstead (Y3), Noah Ross, Bonnie-May Butcher (Y4), Eli Suthers, Lillie Walsh (Y5), Charlotte Beresford and Harvey Richardson (Y6) are still collecting non-perishable goods with a festive theme e.g. biscuits, tinned goods, chocolate, crackers etc for their Festive hamper project. Please send any donations into school, where we will quarantine them, before making them up into festive hampers for people in our community.

Any old scooters?

If anyone has an old outgrown scooter (or may have after Christmas) our Reception children would be very grateful of any donations.



Y3 news

Last week we spotted a strange egg in the playground! It was no ordinary egg and after further investigation we came to the conclusion that it was a Dragon's Egg! We carefully moved the egg to our classroom where we are keeping a close eye on it. Miss Hartley thinks it might hatch soon...just like in the



Morning drop offs - social distancing

We have been contacted by several concerned neighbours and parents about the difficulty in maintaining social distancing during school drop offs. Some people are feeling anxious about having to walk through groups of people. Please, if at all possible, do not arrive at school before your child's allotted start time. We understand that some families have more than one drop off time – if you do have to wait on Rochdale Road, please line up with your child on the pavement against the school fence to allow pedestrians to pass freely by the barriers. Please leave the area around school as soon as your child has been collected by their teacher. We are doing everything we can to reduce the risk of transmission, and consequently the risk of children and staff having to self-isolate over the Christmas holidays. Thank you in advance for your continuing support.



Stars of the week

This week's stars are: Bertie Bowes, Stanley Booth, Sebastian Wright, Raphael Thomas, Cohen Lillis, Maisie Ives and Charlotte Beresford. Well done to them all.



Lunchtime Awards

Our midday staff have chosen: Stanley Berry, Harry Power, Faith Berry, Daisy Maude, Logan Dransfield, Maisie Bailey and John Wood for their excellent behaviour at lunchtime.

Emma Crowther and Esther Logue