



Walsden St Peter's Newsletter for 7th January 2022

Welcome back

We hope you all had a good Christmas break and wish you all the very best for the New Year.

Just a quick newsletter this week as we settle back into school.



Thank you for your continuing support

We are very grateful for all those families who are following Calderdale guidance and keeping children at home for 3 – 5 days if someone they live with has Covid 19. We do appreciate how difficult this can be and are sorry that we are still having to make these requests. We had five members of staff off this week – as usual our brilliant team have pulled together, worked through their break times and covered others' duties. However, if we continue to have high staff absence rates, we may not always be able to do this and will have to send classes home. We know this is the last thing the children need after suffering so much disruption already.

It is not possible, or desirable, for the children to socially distance in school and whilst we are doing everything we can to limit the spread of infection, the very nature of how primary schools should operate make this difficult. By keeping your child at home when you know they have been in significant contact with the virus, and testing them before their return to school, is really helping to keep others infection free and everyone where they should be – in school. Thank you.

Dinner money

Just a reminder that dinner money is £2.30 per day/£11.50 per week and should be paid each Monday in advance. Thank you.

Deadline for Reception class places

Don't forget the deadline for applying for a Reception class place for September 2022 is next Wednesday, 15th January 2022. Applications must be made online with Calderdale Council here <https://www.calderdale.gov.uk/v2/residents/education-and-learning/schools/admissions>

Stars of the week

This week's stars are Ethan Markland, Naomi Holt, Eleanor Fielden, Harry Sutcliffe, Elsie Lowe, Doug Aiton-Gillett and Evey Glinister. Well done to them all.

Lunchtime Awards

Our midday supervisors have chosen: Lily Pryke, Jacob McPherson, Glyn Parry, Danny Glinister, Logan Dransfield and Faye McPherson for their excellent behaviour at lunchtime.

Esther Logue & Emma Crowther, Headteachers