

# Windermere Primary School Newsletter 21<sup>st</sup> October 2022

#### A word from the Headteacher

Well we have come to the end of the first half of the Autumn Term 2022 and what a busy one it has been! Children have settled well and are working hard. In our assemblies, we have been exploring different ways of marking Harvest and celebrating children who are thankful for what they have, those who recognise contributions and support of others, and children who have been a good friend. Children who took part in the Bikeability training received their certificates today also. Sadly today, we are saying farewell to one of our Teaching Assistants, Mrs Grimshawe. Although she has been at Windermere just a short time, she has made a really positive contribution and will be greatly missed. There will be an update on her replacement after half term. Wishing you all an enjoyable half term break.

Sarah Gilliver

## **Sporting events**

## **Football matches**

We played How Wood in football this week. We played well as a team but lost 4-0

**Cross Country-** in the second round of the cross country league the same children competed as the previous event. We felt we improved on our performance since last time.

## Lunches

Look out for the updated lunchtime menu after half term from Herts Catering (HCL). <a href="https://menus.hcl.co.uk/">https://menus.hcl.co.uk/</a> Search for Windermere.

### **Car Parking**

For the safety of your children, when dropping off or picking up by car, please park outside the school and walk your child in along the path as there have been some near misses with children running across the staff car park.

Please also remember to park with respect to our neighbours on Windermere Avenue and Thirlmere so they can access and exit their driveways.

## **Dates for your Diary:**

24<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> October Half Term

31st October Secondary Transfer Applications close (Year 6)

4<sup>th</sup> November Year 5 Cake sale

5<sup>th</sup> November Open morning for prospective Reception 2023 entry

2<sup>nd</sup> December Christmas Fair

19th & 20th December INSET Days- School Closed

21st December Occasional Day- School Closed

22<sup>nd</sup> December 2022- 4<sup>th</sup> January 2023 Christmas Holiday

5<sup>th</sup> January 2023 Children return to school for Spring Term

#### Ask Your Child...

This is a way to start to discuss your child's learning. You aren't expected to know the answers.

Reception- What sandwiches did we make for tea?

Year 1- Who is Paul Cezanne and why is he famous?

Year 2- Can you name some human and physical features from the Isle of Coll?

Year 3 –Can you explain what the words exotic, install and encounter mean?

Year 4 –What is a 2 a sentence?

Year 5 - What affects how bouncy a ball is?

Year 6 – What are the best conditions for growing mould?

## Year 6/PTA Cake Sale

Year 6 would like to thank everyone for their contributions to the cake sale. Almost £210 was raised which Year 6 will put to an activity of their choice.

Look out for the Year 5 sale on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November.

#### Medicines

Any medicines brought into school, whether prescription or otherwise, must come directly to the office, be in date and in their original container and clearly labelled with the child's name.

#### Support

Are you accessing all the government support you are entitled to? The website below has information about the help that is available to households in the UK. If you are in need of access to a food bank, then please let us know as we can make direct referrals.

https://helpforhouseholds.campaign.gov.uk













