



The Webheath Way



We are proud to be the very best that we can be.

Learning, Creating and Growing Together

NEWSLETTER

Our Value for this half term is



Friday 22nd November 2024

Welcome

We were expecting a slightly quieter week in school this week after the buzz of activity last week. However, the wintery weather had other ideas! It has been wonderful to see everyone in school throughout the week, even with the snowy and icy conditions making things a bit more challenging. Everyone's resilience and positivity has truly shone through, and it's been heartwarming to see the school community come together and support one another. Thank you all for braving the cold and ensuring we could continue to learn and grow together! The start of the festive season is almost upon us, with Advent just around the corner. You will already have started to receive communications from class teachers regarding different events. Please keep a close eye on your inbox over the next few weeks; the 'save the dates' section below is a useful tool to help keep us all on track with what is going on in school.

Values

This half term's focus is Kindness. Here is a reminder of our value story:

Imagine a world where a simple smile can brighten someone's day, a listening ear is always nearby, and a caring hand is always within reach. In this world everyone recognises the value of the smallest acts of kindness. Taking the time to check in with others can ease fears, touch hearts and turn lives around. This imaginary world exists, right here, with us, at Webheath Academy Primary School.



Attendance



Our whole school attendance this week is 93.1%. This is a little lower than usual due to some additional absence due to snow on Tuesday.

Congratulations to the Attendance Cup winners: 2JR/KE with 97.2%

Silver: 5SS with 96.5%

Bronze: 3FT with 95%

Save the date!



- Wednesday 27th November—Whole School 'No Pens Day'
- Wednesday 27th November—Year 6 Festive Family Fun Event 9.15—10.15am
- Thursday 28th November—Rev SJ Christingle making with Year 1
- Friday 29th November—Year 1 Festive Family Fun Event 9.15—10.15am
- Friday 6th December—Non Uniform Day, bring a bottle donation
- Friday 6th December—Year 3 Festive Family Fun Event 9.15—10.15am
- Monday 9th December- Year 4 Festive Family Fun Event 2.00-3.00pm
- Monday 9th December—deadline to order Christmas menu's on parentpay
- Tuesday 10th December—Year 2 Festive Family Fun Event 2.00-3.00pm
- Wednesday 11th December—Kindness Value Day
- **Wednesday 11th December—Bishops Wood year 4 trip—Revised date**
- Friday 13th December —Christmas jumper day and School Christmas Fair 3.30—5.30pm
- Friday 13th December Year 5 Festive Family Fun Event 9.15am—10.15am (details to follow)
- Monday 16th December—Reception Nativity 1.45pm
- Tuesday 17th December—Christmas Party Day—non uniform, buffet lunch (order via ParentPay)
- Tuesday 17th December—Choir singing at the Brambles Care Home 10.00am
- Wednesday 18th December—Reception Nativity 9.45am
- Wednesday 18th December—Christmas Dinner Day (order via ParentPay)
- Friday 20th December—end of Autumn Term
- Monday 6th January—School closed, TED
- Tuesday 7th January—Spring Term 1 Starts

School News

Snow Day

What a rare treat for us all to see some snow! We took the opportunity in school to carry out some wintery learning, and made sure we enjoyed some time playing in the snow! Thank you to everyone for making the effort to get your child to school on Tuesday. A big thanks also to Gary, our super site manager, for making sure the school site was safe and accessible for all.



Year 5 enjoyed some snowy challenges on the school field!



Please can we make a request that you make sure your child wears suitable clothing for the weather each day and send them with a change of clothes and footwear when we have snow or heavy rain as we do go out in all weathers. All clothing, including hats, gloves, scarves and wellies, needs to be labelled so that we can return lost items.

Christmas Lunch and Party Food day

You will find attached the menus for both Christmas lunch and Party Food day, you will need to pre-order these on ParentPay anytime between now and 9th December. This will need to be pre-ordered, irrelevant of whether you pay for your children's hot dinners, or normally allow them to select on the day.

If your children have allergies or dietary requirements this get transferred across for both days and the food provided reflects this.

Deadline to order—9th December

Opal

The OPAL vision is that every child in every school has an amazing hour of high-quality play every day – with no exceptions. If one child is not enjoying playtimes, then things still need improving.



This week we had our first OPAL snow days, where the children enjoyed using our "ball run" as a "snow-ball run". The children also were able to have lots of fun in the leaves too.



Make Christmas Special Toy Appeal

Our school are supporting the 'Make Christmas Special' toy appeal this year. This is a Mission Area Initiative which aims to bring the magic of Christmas to children facing hardship.

If you are able to, we are asking our community to donate **new toys** so that they can then be gifted to children in Redditch who are facing challenging circumstances this Christmas.

If you would like to participate, please bring the toys in on Monday 2nd December, Tuesday 3rd December or Wednesday 4th December and ask your child to place them under our Christmas tree in the hall. **wednesday 4th December is the deadline** as we will transport the toys to the collection area the following morning. Toys suitable for children of all ages are accepted and appreciated, but we do ask that they are new please.

The toys need to be **un-wrapped** so they can be easily seen and sorted into age categories. Thank you for your support with this appeal.

Supporting use of respectful language

At school, we are actively teaching the importance of respectful and considerate communication as part of our commitment to creating a positive and respectful environment for everyone. We kindly ask for your support in reinforcing with your children that bad language is never acceptable in school and that we expect every member of our school community to be proud to be the very best that we can be. By working together, we can help our children develop the skills and habits that will support them both now and in the future. Thank you for joining us in encouraging kind and respectful.

Have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing you all in the busy weeks ahead!

Kind regards

Mrs Heffernan