

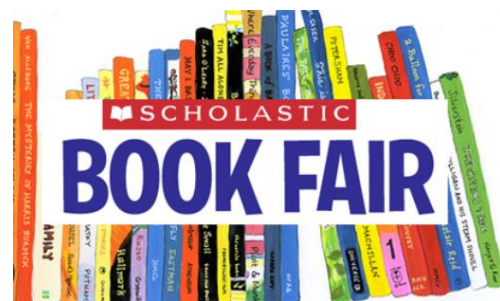
Weetwood School News

Dear Parent/Carers,

It has been another busy fortnight since the last newsletter. During the week, I wrote to you to inform you that Mrs Lowe was retiring at October half term. Due to a change in circumstances this has happened sooner than Mrs Lowe had originally planned. As you know, Mrs Lowe has worked at Weetwood for many years promoting sports, running clubs as well as giving up her time on Saturday mornings to attend the cross-country events. She really will be missed across school but I am sure you will join me in saying a great big THANK YOU for everything she has done over the years at Weetwood and we all wish her well in her retirement.

BOOK FAIR

I am delighted to inform you that the Weetwood Book Fair is back and will run from Monday 16th October to Thursday 19th October. The opening times will be between 8:30am and 8:45am in the morning and 3:15pm and 3:30pm after school. If you plan to attend in the morning, please use either the main school gate or the



Weetwood Lane gate and enter the hall using the covered court doors. The book fair will be cashless so you will need a smart phone and debit or credit card to pay for the books you purchase. When you buy books from the book fair the school receives reward points and this enables us to buy books to support the curriculum. Last year we raised over £1000 for school so your support is really appreciated.

The book fair also coincides with The Big Draw in school and we would like to invite you in to the hall to take part in some art activities with your child/ren. The focus of The Big Draw this year is 'using your senses'. This will take place on Tuesday 17th October and Thursday 19th October mornings between 8:30am and 8:45am.

LOOM BAND SALE

Last Friday, Isabella and her team from Year 4 sold Loom band bracelets and other merchandise to raise money for MND. As you will be aware from previous newsletters, Isabella's grandad was diagnosed with MND earlier in the year and since then Isabella has set herself various challenges to help raise money for the charity. All the girls have been working tirelessly to make loom band merchandise to be sold. As a result of your generosity, the loom band sale raised £82. Thank you to everyone that gave to the cause and have supported Isabella and her friends in their fundraising events.

ORIGAMI SALES

Year 6 pupils have also done a few sales alongside the Friday Bun Sale selling their Origami products. They would like to thank everyone for their generosity and to share that the money last year was donated to St

Gemma's Hospice and this year has been donated to Shelter. They are looking forward to holding further stalls over the course of the next year.

SPORTS

Over the last fortnight, the football teams from Year 3 and Year 5&6 have been out and about playing their first matches in the leagues we have entered. The Year 3 team played 2 games, losing one and drawing the other. Year 6 played their first game yesterday against Ireland Wood Primary School and won 3-1. Both teams played well and showed excellent sportsmanship throughout the matches. Next week Year 2 will start their first league game – good luck! As always, I am very grateful to the parents that give up their time to take them to the matches and organise the teams.

TRIPS AND VISITS

This week Year 5 and 6 have been out and about on visits. Year 5 visited Lotherton Hall on Monday and took part in a workshop linked in to their Topic work on World War 1. The children learnt about how the house was used as a hospital during World War 1, they took part in a practical workshop where they became the injured soldiers and they handle artefacts. During the afternoon, the children explored the bird garden, putting their sketching skills in to practise.

Year 6, spent the morning on Wednesday at the Abbey House Museum at Kirkstall. They learnt about the life of a police officer in Victorian Leeds as well as handling artefacts from the Victorian era. The children then became detectives and had to use the finger prints and clues to solve the murder.

HARVEST

As part of our Harvest Festival celebrations this year, we will be collecting for the Leeds North West Foodbank. The foodbank relies on donations from the public to meet the demands they are facing and they are grateful for any non-perishable food items. Although there is a published list of what they are currently in need of, they are happy to accept any donations they receive but please do not send any fresh food such as milk, bread or fruit and vegetables. They are also in need of used, clean carrier bags. Please donate whatever you are able to. Please bring any donations into school on **Friday 27th October**. Our Harvest Festival Assembly, **for Reception and Key Stage 1** will take place on Friday 27th October at **2pm** and parents of these classes are welcome to attend.

Thank you in advance for any donations received.

We are currently on the look out for school governors. The governing body has become depleted over the years as governors have moved to pastures new. If you feel you can give your time and commitment to develop the school we would love to hear from you. For more information about governance, please visit the school website <https://www.weetwoodschool.co.uk/governors>. If you are interested please email the school office on bursar@weetwoodprimary.co.uk.

Finally, there is a letter accompanying the newsletter about Leeds Rhinos season membership. Please take the time to look at this.



Now the weather has turned, please can I ask that coats are in school everyday and that they are labelled with your child's name. We already have a lot of new unnamed lost property!

Kind regards,

Mrs Ellison

Dates for the diary (new dates in red)

September	October	November	December
<p>Monday 18th September: Year 2 Curriculum Evening (5pm-5.30pm)</p> <p>Wednesday 27th September: European languages day</p> <p>Wednesday 27th September: Nursery, Reception, Year 1 Phonics Information evening. (5pm-6pm)</p> <p>Thursday 28th September: Individual Photographs</p> <p>Friday 29th September: Non-Uniform Day to raise money for Leeds Children's Charity</p>	<p>Monday 9th October: Year 5 Trip to Lotherton Hall</p> <p>Wednesday 11th October: Year 6 Trip to Abbey House Museum</p> <p>W.C. 16th October: Book fair in school.</p> <p>W.C 16th October: SEND Parents meetings</p> <p>Monday 23rd October: Year 3 Trip to Herd Farm</p> <p>Wednesday 25th and Thursday 26th October Parents evening</p> <p>Friday 27th October: Harvest Assembly (Reception and KS1 parents only)</p> <p>Non-Uniform Day for Leeds Children's Charity</p> <p>School closes for Half-Term</p> <p>W.C 30st October: Half term holiday</p>	<p>Monday 6th November: All pupils return to school.</p> <p>Thursday 9th November: Flu spray vaccinations in school.</p> <p>Friday 10th November: PTA Disco (6pm-8pm)</p> <p>Saturday 11th November: Pre-School Open Morning (10am-12noon)</p> <p>W.C 13th November: Anti-Bullying Week</p> <p>Wednesday 15th November: Reception 2024 Open Morning (9.30-11.30) Pre-School Open Evening (3.30-5.30)</p> <p>Friday 17th November: Children in Need.</p> <p>Wednesday 22nd November: Share Our Learning (9am-10am) Year 3 Teddy Bear Hospital visit in school (PM)</p> <p>Friday 24th November: Cross Country Festival at Roundhay High School (PM)</p> <p>Thursday 30th November: Christmas Pantomime (PM)</p>	<p>Tuesday 5th December: Year 5 – Piece Museum</p> <p>Wednesday 6th December: Year 1 Trip to Middleton Railway Year 2 Teddy Bear Hospital visit in school (PM)</p> <p>Thursday 7th December: Year 2 Trip to Lotherton Hall</p> <p>Thursday 14th December: Year 6 Trip to see Oliver at Leeds Playhouse</p> <p>Tuesday 19th December: KS1 Christmas Show (2.15pm)</p> <p>Wednesday 20th December: Reception & Preschool Nativity (9.30am)</p> <p>Years 5/6 Music and Carol Concert (2.15pm)</p> <p>Thursday 21st December: Years 3/4 Music and Carol Concert (2.15pm)</p> <p>Friday 22nd December: School closes for the Christmas holidays.</p>

January	February	March	
<p>Monday 8th January All pupils return to school.</p> <p>Tuesday 23rd January Year 4 Lineham Farm parents meeting 5pm</p> <p>Wednesday 31st January School nurses -Year 6 and Reception height and weight check.</p>	<p>Monday 5th-Wednesday 7th February: Lineham Farm (Y4)</p> <p>Friday 9th February: School Closes for half term.</p> <p>Monday 19th February: Teacher training Day.</p> <p>Tuesday 20th February: All pupils return to school Progress reports to parents.</p> <p>Wednesday 21st and Thursday 22nd: Parents evening.</p>	<p>Monday 4th March: Year 6 Trip to Magna</p> <p>Thursday 7th March: World Book Day</p> <p>Wednesday 20th March: Share our Learning.</p> <p>Thursday 28th March: School closes for all pupils.</p>	
April	May	June	July
<p>Monday 15th April: All pupils return to school.</p>	<p>Monday 6st May: May Day Bank Holiday.</p> <p>W/C Monday 13th- Year 6 SATs Week</p> <p>Thursday 23rd May: School closes to all pupils.</p> <p>Friday 24th May: Teacher training day.</p>	<p>Monday 3rd June: All pupils return to school</p> <p>W.C. Monday 3rd June: Multiplication Check Year 4</p> <p>W.C. Monday 10^h June: Phonics screening Year 1</p> <p>Monday 10th- Wednesday 12th: Yr. 6 trip to Edale</p> <p>Wednesday 19th June: Share Our Learning</p> <p>Friday 21rd June: Poetry Slam Assembly (2pm)</p> <p>Friday 28th June: Sports Day PTA Picnic</p>	<p>Thursday 11th July: Music Show</p> <p>Friday 12th July: Reports for all pupils to go home</p> <p>Sunday 14th July: Summer Fair</p> <p>Tuesday 16th July: Year 6 show</p> <p>Wednesday 17th July: Open evening for all parents</p> <p>Friday 19th July: Y6 Leavers Assembly</p> <p>Friday 19th July: School closes to all pupils</p>