



# Whaddon Weekly Newsletter

12<sup>th</sup> December 2025

“You are the light of the world, let your light shine!” Matthew 5-14-16

***Challenging each other, through actions, choices and words, to be our best- so we can all shine.***

Dear parents and children,

Welcome to the latest edition of our school newsletter.

## **School vision**

This week, our school community have been shining brightly and living all three of our values of Wisdom, Compassion and Endurance, as we approach the end of this long half term and for the wonderful Christmas events this week and next.

Huge levels of compassion were shown to our youngest children, in the nativity dress rehearsal, whereby the older children cheered them on and joined in with the singing-commenting on how brilliant the children were in their various roles.

All children have been trying really hard to focus on making the school a happy and safe place and our recent safety talk enabled children to share their thoughts on how they feel safe and happy in school. It was a pleasure to hear their comments and views- making wise choices!

A huge congratulations to all involved in the nativity for the excellent acting, singing, props, and costumes. It was a testament to the hard work of the children and adults.



## Panto

On the 16<sup>th</sup> December, we are visiting the Milton Keynes theatre to see Goldilocks and the three bears. As is customary, on panto day, **please provide your child with a packed lunch.** We request – for severe allergy reasons- that no items containing any nuts (including Nutella paste) are included.



If your child requires travel sickness medication, a tablet for each journey should be provided and a form for the medicine MUST be completed.

The panto should finish in time for us to leave the theatre and return to school for the usual end of school timings. Please note that the time we arrive at school may be later than the usual 3.00pm. In this instance, we will communicate this through the key class Whatsapp groups to help you plan when to collect your child

## Christmas post box

The Whaddon School Christmas post box is now in the main building. If you would like to send a Christmas card to a friend or staff member, please write their name, first letter of their last name and class on the envelope. Doing this makes sure it will get to the right person.



Last post is: **18<sup>th</sup> December.**

Thank you to the children in Foxes class who are sorting and delivering cards.

## FOWS Christmas lunch



Friends of Whaddon School and generous parent volunteers are providing us with our annual **Christmas lunch**, on **18<sup>th</sup> December**. **Please let FOWS know, if you do not wish your child to participate.** The whole school staff will be participating, so arrangements for lunch time, on that day, can be confirmed with Mrs Prior. We are grateful for the time and food being provided to make this another wonderful Whaddon School memory.

## Wellies

Please ensure your child brings wellies into school. This will enable them to play on the field, irrespective of weather. Without wellies, children are not able to access the field. Please ensure your child's name is in their wellies.



## Parent Questionnaires

If you require another copy of the questionnaire, please contact Mrs. Ellis in the school office. These can still be returned.

Thank you to those parents who have completed and returned the questionnaires already.

## Dates for the diary

There are lots of Christmas events coming up, including **Christmas jumper day, which is 17<sup>th</sup> December**. Please don't feel compelled to buy a new jumper- decorating an existing jumper is a fun alternative.



## FOWS

Communication about the upcoming Christmas festivities will be issued soon. **The Christmas Fayre and Carols will take place in the school hall, on the 17<sup>th</sup> December.**

## School Lunches

Please book your child's lunches on Wisepay. If the deadline, for ordering is missed, please provide your child with a packed lunch. We politely request that no nuts, in any form, are brought into school, due to severe nut allergies, in our school community.

If we can't raise the number of children selecting their lunches, we may be in the position of losing our contract with them. We appreciate that some children have sensory needs around food and have to have specific food provided by home, but would urge parents to go through the menu with children to see if there are any meals they would like, throughout the week.

## Dates for the diary

Key dates for the diary can be found on the school website and on class pages of the school website.



16<sup>th</sup> December Panto afternoon- later return possible

17<sup>th</sup> December Christmas jumper day

17<sup>th</sup> December Christmas fayre FOWS 1.15-2.25 pm school hall

17<sup>th</sup> December carols school hall

18<sup>th</sup> December Christmas lunch FOWS and volunteers

18<sup>th</sup> December Special visitor

19<sup>th</sup> Christmas movie morning popcorn and juice

# Congratulations!



Congratulations to the children who were awarded Star Awards and Golden Tickets this week.

Star awards: Kian and Harper

Golden Tickets: Maryam, Squirrels and Hedgehogs classes.



These were awarded for living our school vision and values-and shining brightly in their learning.

Well done and thank you for making our school the great place it is!

The winners of the house points, this week were Robins- great team work and the winners of the termly house points award was Siskin fantastic job!