



# Wigton Infant School November Newsletter



## Website

[www.wigtoninf.cumbria.sch.uk](http://www.wigtoninf.cumbria.sch.uk)

(also available as an app – just search for Wigton Infant School)

## Governor Vacancy

We still have a vacancy on our Governing Body for a Co-opted Governor. If you know of anyone who would be interested in this position please contact Mrs Woodburn who will inform the Chair of Governors.

## Children in Need

Thank you for your donations towards Children in Need. We raised a total of £201.00.



## Attendance & Illness

If your child is absent through illness then please remember to telephone school on the morning of your child's absence before **9.30am**. If your child is absent with COVID-19 symptoms or a positive result then we require full details from yourselves as soon as possible.

You must book a test as soon as possible if your child has any one of the three COVID symptoms. If you find that you are having difficulty with this please let us know immediately.

If we do not have a reason for your child's absence then they will have an unauthorised mark. Please see our website for full details on how to isolate and what to do if you or your child develops Covid-19 symptoms.

## Car Park Safety

We have lots of traffic in our car park at the beginning and end of the school day. Please take extra care and use the footpaths as it is too dangerous to walk through the main car park at these times. Thank you.

## Nasal Flu Vaccinations

These will take place on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> December for all children who have returned their permission slip indicating the vaccination is required. It is your responsibility to inform us if circumstances have changed and your child no longer requires the vaccine.

## FOWIS Meeting

All parents are welcome at the next FOWIS meeting which will take place via Zoom at 7pm on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December. Please e-mail [fowis.wigton@gmail.com](mailto:fowis.wigton@gmail.com) to book your place.

## FOWIS Christmas Raffle

FOWIS have issued books of raffle tickets priced at £1 per ticket. **Please return any sold tickets to the drop box at the school office no later than 8<sup>th</sup> December.** The raffle will be drawn online by Mr Norman on 11<sup>th</sup> December. Please see the FOWIS letter for further details.

## Communication

In the current environment it is especially important that you keep up to date with school communications at all times. Please ensure your contact details are always correct and regularly check your emails and the School App for messages.

## School Grounds - Covid-19

Please can we remind all parents/carers that face coverings must be worn at all times whilst on the school grounds and if you enter the main reception area. Please ensure you observe the social distancing guidelines, do not crowd together and use the one-way system where applicable.



### Tapestry/ClassDojo

Thank you to everyone who has accepted the invitation to join Tapestry/ClassDojo. Please can we remind you that you should not use these to send messages regarding absences, medical appointments or to tell us who is collecting your child from school. These messages **MUST** come to the main office.

### Lunch Shop

Some parents are not ordering meals before the 9.00am daily deadline. This especially seems to be a problem with Nursery parents. If you try to order after this time your order will not be recognised and there will be no meal for your child.

We also have an increasing number of parents who are not cancelling their child's meal before the 9.00am when they are absent from school. This in turn affects our Lunchshop ordering system and produces incorrect figures for the kitchen. As we have previously informed you Orian are now charging school for all meals which are not cancelled before 9.00am. Unfortunately, we will be passing these charges onto parents.

### Christmas

This year, due to Covid-19 restrictions, our usual Christmas activities will be different. However, we will still be bringing lots of alternative Christmas activities to Wigton Infant School.

### Christmas Parties

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December – Year 1 Party  
Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December – Reception Party  
Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December- Nursery Party  
Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December – Year 2 Party  
Children can come to school dressed in their party clothes but please remember they will be going out to play so if they are wearing party shoes then please send everyday shoes for outside.  
FOWIS will provide party food for the children.  
If your child has any allergies please check with their teacher to ensure that we can provide an appropriate snack.

Children who do not attend Nursery on Wednesdays will still have an opportunity to take part in lots of Christmas crafts and activities during that week.

### Christmas Dinner/Christmas Jumper Day

The children will be having their Christmas dinner with all the trimmings on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December. Children can wear their Christmas jumper on this day.

### End of Term

In line with the early finish times at Thomlinson Junior School we will also be finishing early on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December. Please note that there will be no After School Club on this day. Our staggered finish times are:

**Whitebeam-1.30pm**  
**Miss Westgarth-1.30pm**  
**Miss Hamblet-1.30pm**  
**Miss McGowan-1.30pm**  
**Nursery-1.45pm**  
**Mrs Taylor- 1.45pm**  
**Mrs Cartwright-1.45pm**  
**Miss Parry-1.45pm**

### Important Dates

**Wednesday 2<sup>th</sup> December** – FOWIS meeting 7.00pm via Zoom  
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### New Year Return to School

Children will return to school after the Christmas break on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021.  
Please be aware that this date differs between different schools.