



# The Thursday GREEN 'UN

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## Christmas @ WCM!

It has been a long first term of the year during which the children have made great progress and have achieved some amazing learning outcomes. We would like to thank you all for your support with your child's learning and for being part of such a special place. We have had many visitors to WCM over the last term and they always comment on how lovely school feels and how amazing your children are.

Have a good rest over the holidays and we will see you fresh and ready for more learning in 2019.

## Reading Miles

How impressed were Miss Heap and Mr Smith when they went round classes on Tuesday giving out 'Reading Miles' badges? Altogether 223 children across school earned their badge by reading 40 times in the Autumn Term and recording this in their journal. Thank you to all the families who supported their children to achieve the badge.

## Y6 SATs Information Meetings

After Christmas, on a Tuesday afternoon and repeated on a Thursday morning, we will be holding an information meeting about SATs for Y6 families, this will include sharing some example papers, discussing the timetable and provision for children as well as giving ideas of how you can support your child in the months leading up to the tests themselves. The aim of the meeting is to make sure you have as much information as possible about the tests your children will sit during the week beginning 13<sup>th</sup> May next year.

The dates for the meetings are as follows:

**Tuesday 8th January at 2:30pm in the Studio**

**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> January at 9:00am in end classroom on the top corridor (opposite Miss Eden's)**

We hope that as many of you as possible can attend one of the meetings however if it is not possible and you would like to receive the information we have shared, please let us know.

## BBC – Eat Well for Less

The BBC are looking for the last few families and households to take part in the sixth series of Eat Well For Less, here is a message from their editor:

I am a researcher writing from the hit BBC One prime time series *Eat Well For Less?* – I hope you're well!

My reason for writing is that we are currently casting for our sixth series and are looking for families / households who would like to eat well and save some money on their weekly shop. We would love it if you would be willing to tell us about some people you know that may be suitable for the show?

"The show follows Masterchef's Gregg Wallace & award winning greengrocer Chris Bavin on a mission to prove that it is possible for families and households to save money on their food budget without scrimping on taste and nutrition. They hope that by analysing the shopping habits of UK families, they can help to show where we can source the best and cheapest quality food.

If you feel you would like more information please call in and ask Claire Bradley.

## Christmas Cosy Reads

Yesterday the whole school joined together to share Christmas books in our Cosy Read.

The children and staff really enjoyed it and it was lovely to sit with just a small group and enjoy a story together. Ask your child which story they listened to!

## Talking of books...

Your child will have brought home a specially wrapped gift over the last few days, which was purchased by the school governing body to

encourage and support children to develop a love of reading. We hope you enjoy reading and sharing this book over the Christmas period!

### **Christmas Extravaganza**

We had a wonderful time in the hall on Tuesday morning singing Christmas songs with the whole school. We all sang some songs together and each year group performed songs they had been learning, while everyone listened as the audience. The children sang fantastically well ...they remembered all the words and the actions to the songs, and were real superstars. It was a lovely Christmas celebration to share together in the last week. A huge thank you to Natasha Haque for pulling it all together for us!

### **Farewell to Chelsea**

At the end of this week we will be saying a sad farewell to Chelsea Fearn who works with us as a TA in F2. Chelsea has been with us for a good few years and will be really missed by children and staff. We wish her the very best in her new job at a nursery and hope she takes a little bit of Watercliffe Meadow with her.

### **Parking**

We have had complaints from local residents that they can't access their drives at pick up and drop off times. Please be considerate where you park.

### **Reindeer Food & Magic Keys**

We still have some reindeer food and reindeer dust in the office to keep Rudolph and his pals going on Christmas Eve - £1 a bag. Santa has also asked us to sell magic keys for him this year. Some of the chimneys are a little tight for his tummy so a magic key just makes dropping those presents off a little easier. These are also on sale in the office for £1.00.

### **Christmas Lunch**

We would like to say an enormous thank you to the amazing café staff who served Christmas dinner to children and staff across school. The lunch was beautiful as ever and it was lovely to be a part of the school celebration. Thank you to everyone who played a part in this.

### **Christmas Jumper Day**

Christmas Jumper Day is tomorrow, **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December**. If you wish to make a donation to Sheffield Children's Hospital, there will be buckets in reception. Please note you can either come in a Christmas jumper or normal school uniform.

### **Green Un by email?**

Do you find it difficult to read our Green Un on a weekly basis? If so why not email Liz Graham in the office and she will add you to her weekly mailing list. You can also call in to the office and hand her your email address. Please pass this message on to your family and friends!

[egraham@watercliffe.sheffield.sch.uk](mailto:egraham@watercliffe.sheffield.sch.uk)

### **100% Attendance**

Tomorrow we have our draw for the children who have been at school every day in the Autumn Term. Altogether we have 141 children who have managed this...well done to you all. Mrs Bibby will also be sending round attendance certificates to children with attendance above 96%

### **It's Back...**

Yes, another year, another **Watercliffe's Got Talent** contest! Auditions for the 2019 show will start in the New Year!

If you think you've got a talent, Christmas might just be the time to start practising! We are looking forward to seeing how previous acts have improved and we are hoping to see some new and fresh talent. The show is looking for talented individuals and groups from Y2 to Y6!! The final will take place on **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February**.

**School closes tomorrow  
Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December for the Christmas  
holiday and re-opens on**



**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January**



**All that remains to be said is...  
We wish you a Merry Christmas,  
We wish you a Merry Christmas,  
We wish you a Merry Christmas,  
And a Happy New Year!  
Best Wishes from  
everyone at Watercliffe  
Meadow.**

