

EDGORTH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



What we've been up to!

Wow! What a busy and exciting half term it has been; full of festive fun, glitter, carols, presents, Christmas food and good spirit. I think all the children and staff (and parents) are looking forward to a much needed and very well-deserved break at Christmas. A huge thanks to the whole staff for going above and beyond as usual.

Mrs. Appleton's Christmas Lunch and Christmas Market themed lunch were both huge successes as always. Many thanks to Mrs. Appleton and all her team for looking after us all so well; not only at Christmas but throughout the year, you are all very much appreciated. We had some amazing creations for the Christmas Hat Competition; judging was very tough indeed but we finally chose some winners—well done to everyone who took part.

Infant Nativity – Wow, what can we say! All of their performances were just fantastic; the children thoroughly enjoyed entertaining their parents, grandparents and friends. Huge thanks must go to the staff who helped put the performances together; from costumes, scenery, lines, rehearsing and much, much more—superb team work!

Special thank you to all of our parents too, we are aware that we do ask a lot of you, not just at Christmas and we thank you from the bottom of our hearts. Everything we do is for the children, to make the most amazing memories for them.

Wednesday 20th December

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General Information

School Closure due to bad weather— please see our newsletters from October and November for detailed information. Thank you

School Staff Car Park & Side Road—please do not park on the school car park, side road, school patrol crossing, yellow zigzag lines and opposite the double white lines when dropping off and collecting children for safety reasons. Please pass this message onto other relatives/friends who may collect. Thank you

Thank you from Urban Outreach—Please see the attached Thank you from Urban Outreach for the vast amounts of Harvest collected this year. Thank you for your generosity and caring.

Christmas Chess Quiz

Please find attached a Christmas Chess quiz from Mr. Clissold. Chess club is free and runs every Thursday at 3.30pm and is open to children from Year 2 upwards who know the basic rules of chess.

New Parent Governors

We are delighted to report that Stacey Painter will continue for a further 4 years and we welcome Elinor Whitlock to the Governing Board. Huge thanks to both for putting themselves forward. We also say a big thank you and fond farewell to Joanne Wolfendale who has supported the school for the last 4 years.

School league table: Top 10

DfE league table released and we feature in the top10. A remarkable achievement and one to be very proud of! Well done to all the children and staff! Article attached.

Dinner Money

Dinner money for the Spring 1 half term is either £13 per week or £78.00 for the half term (8th January to 16th February). If your child wishes to change from home packed lunches to school meals or vice versa, please send an email to the office. Thank you



Decorating Christmas trees at The Barlow, followed by a cup of juice courtesy of The Barlow's Reading Room. Thank you so much.

PTFA Update

An enormous THANK YOU to everyone who helped raise funds with our Christmas events, from all the donations to buying raffle tickets. Every single penny raised goes back into the school to help provide those little extras for our children. We had 7 worthy winners of the class hampers who were all absolutely thrilled.

If anyone would like to join the PTFA or has a great idea for an event, please send an email to: edgworthprimaryptfa@gmail.com

Thank you once again, PTFA

Community News

Edgworth Cricket Club—please see the links below for junior winter training for girls' and boys' cricket sessions at Edgworth Cricket Club

<https://www.edgworthcc.co.uk/girls>

<https://www.edgworthcc.co.uk/cricket-nets>

Wishing you all a peaceful, happy and relaxing Christmas break. Don't forget to check out our Facebook page to see more amazing pictures of our school in action! (via the new school website www.turtonandedgworthprimary.co.uk). We'll see everyone back in school on Monday 8th January 2024.

Mr. Wheatley

Staffing update & crossing

I would like to introduce Cristal Douglas to all our families who has already started working at Kids Zone and will take over the crossing in January! Please give her a big "Hello" and welcome!

I would also like to extend a COLOSSAL THANK YOU to Julian Clissold for volunteering to lead the morning crossings for this past term. I have thanked him from all of our families and children

Be Safe Online

Over the Christmas period children may get a phone or a new computer game that allows you to play online. To keep your children safe online, please check and set your parental controls. Visit <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/parental-controls/> for more information.

Calendar of Events

The complete school calendar of events can be found on the school website, under the Parents tab, Term Dates and will be the version that is kept updated. If there are any changes or new additions to the calendar, we will highlight these in amber for your ease. Paper copies can also be collected from the school office.

Tues 19 th Dec	2.45pm	Rock Steady pupils	Rock Steady Concert for parents
Wed 20 th Dec	1.30pm	Whole school	Special Visitor!
Wed 20 th Dec	3.30pm	Whole school	Finish for Christmas break
Thurs 21 st Dec	All day	Whole school	Staff Training Day - Closed to pupils
Christmas Break Friday 22 nd December to Friday 5 th January 2024 (inclusive)			
Mon 8 th Jan	08.55am	Whole school	School starts
Tues 6 th Feb	All day	Whole school	'The Greatest Robot Ever' Show in school
Thurs 8 th Feb	3.30pm	Juniors	PTFA Movie Night
Fri 9 th Feb	3.30pm	Infants	PTFA Movie Night



Crafts made by the children at our Before and After school Club—Kids Zone! For more information, please visit our website or contact us at [Kid-
szone@turtonedgworth.blackburn.sch.uk](mailto:kszone@turtonedgworth.blackburn.sch.uk).