



West Park Academy

Date: Dec 2018

Autumn Term No 3

Christmas Hampers: We would like to say a huge thank you to everyone for your many wonderful donations towards the Christmas Hampers and the continued generosity in buying the raffle tickets. The final total raised was **£478**.



Christmas Carol Night: What a fantastic evening, thank you to everyone who attended our annual Carol Concert, we raised **£100** from hot chocolate and biscuits, and it was a lovely opportunity to come together. We will be using all money raised to purchase additional learning resources to support Science and Technology teaching.

Choir: West Park Academy Years 4 - 6 Choir have been representing the school once again, singing at various locations in Darlington:



- Queen Street Shopping Centre - raising **£139.80** for St Teresa's Hospice
- Wyvern and West Park Academy Christmas Markets
- Darlington Memorial Hospital - the children sang for the staff spreading Christmas cheer in Hollies Restaurant
- West Park Academy Christmas Carol Concert
- Aldi, West Park - raising **£141.48**

Well done to our fabulous singers.

Staff Leavers: Sadly we say goodbye to the following members of staff: Mrs Roberts - Finance Director, who is retiring, she will be greatly missed and Mrs Pfupa who is moving to pastures new. Good luck to them both in their new endeavours.

Congratulations: To Miss Stokell who is getting married over the Christmas holidays and will become Mrs Laing.

Scooters: Unfortunately we have had a couple of scooters go missing from the bike pods. Please ensure all scooters and bikes are locked when leaving them on school premises.

Water Bottles: Children are encouraged to bring in a water bottle so that they can have a drink throughout the day.

Rocket Fund: Although we did not hit our target of £1,469 we did raise a fantastic amount of **£1,158**. This will allow us to purchase 10 of the 15 devices we were looking to purchase. A huge thank you to all who supported, Mrs Farrow, Miss Coates, Lyndsey & Darren Jenkinson, Gemma Bennison, Charlotte Price, Esther Rich, Lisa Oyston, Barrie Armstrong, Lisa Cater, Sharon Penman, Sarah Parrott, Angela Graham, Dorothy Dodds, Wendy Goold and Mr Fraser. We also would like to thank Barclays for match funding our stomp rocket challenge and the lunchtime supervisors for giving up their Secret Santa to make a group donation.

You can check out our school website: www.westparkacademy.org.uk and click on 'School Life' for events throughout the school year as well as our After School club calendar and individual class newsletters. Our website is regularly updated, why not have a look. We are also on 'Facebook and Twitter.'

Lost Property: Please check the lost property boxes (large red boxes) which are situated at the front of the school, near the main entrance. We make every attempt to reunite clothes with their owner. This is made much easier if clothing is named. All unclaimed items will be disposed of **at the end of the day on last day of term.**



PE Kits: Please ensure your child has their **indoor** PE Kit/shoes and **outdoor** PE Kit/shoes in school each Monday for the whole week. PE days can change, therefore your child should always have a PE kit in school.

Contact Details: If you have moved address, had a change of telephone number or need to update emergency contact details we ask that you inform the school office immediately. This is to enable the school to contact you in an emergency should one occur.

We wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We look forward to seeing you all back at school at 8:45am on Monday 7th January 2019.

