

Date: Dec 2020

Autumn Term No 2

Just to clarify as planned we are open as normal on **Friday 18th December 2020**, school will finish at the usual time. We reopen on Tuesday 5th January 2020.

Santa Dash: A huge thank you to all who donated and took part in WPA Santa Dash - everyone was amazing. The grand total raised for St Teresa's Hospice is £716.76.

Christmas Activities: Wednesday 16th December will be a busy day for the whole school as EYFS and Year 1 enjoy their party; whilst Year 2 - Year 6 have fun with a Christmas Virtual Panto. **The children can**



attend school wearing something festive and warm ie jumpers or Christmas accessories being mindful of the outdoor conditions as they are not suitable for party wear.

Class parties if different will be sent out via their class teacher.

Robinwood: As we are unable to attend Robinwood this year we are hosting our very own alternative outdoor adventure activities in school with Year 5 on Thursday 17th December and Year 6 on Friday 18th December 2020. Children will need to wear warm clothes, they will need to bring in a spare set of clothes to get changed into as they will likely get muddy, spare socks, gloves and wellies or spare shoes, as well as a plastic carrier bag to put the dirty clothes in. Some of the activities will be outside so please wear old clothing.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: The school will be closed over the whole of the Christmas holidays if you need to contact us to report a positive Covid 19 test result for a child that has been in school please use the following email: **admin@westparkacademy.org.uk** this email will be monitored up to and including 23rd December 2020.

Mon 4th JanSchool closed - Training DayTues 5th Jan8:45AM - 0:15AM	Fri 18th Dec	End of day	School closes
	Mon 4th Jan		School closed - Training Day
9.15AM		8:45AM - 9:15AM	School reopens

School Meals: We are working hard to try and accommodate hot school meals for all children as we move into winter. As of Tuesday 5th January 2021, we are pleased to be able to offer these Year 5 and 6 hot school meals. Please contact the school office before Friday 18th December 2020 if you would like your child to change from Packed lunch to school meals.

Outdoor Play: Despite the nip in the air, we are continuing to develop our outdoor lunch times and playtimes. We have added to the den building, sport and small world activities with bikes and scooters and will keep you updated with photos of all the positive lunchtime play that is going

on. Please ensure that your child has suitable outdoor clothing and footwear each day and that they **are clearly named.**



Thank you for all the donations that we have received for the outdoor area so far, Palmers Tyres for the great tyres and Mr Pattison who purchased barriers for the muddy wet area.

Goodbye: we say a fond farewell to Mrs Hagger who is leaving West Park Academy on Wednesday 16th December 2020. She has been a big part of WPA family for 24 years. We wish her all the happiness in her retirement.

Social Distance: Thank you to all parents, staff, pupils and visitors for adhering to the social distance rules within and around school during these strange times, this will continue upon our return in 5th January 2021.

We wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

We look forward to seeing you all back at school between 8:45am - 9:15am on Tuesday 5th January 2021.

