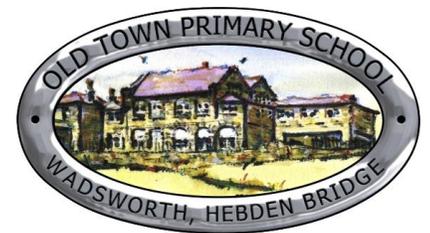


OLD TOWN NEWSLETTER

12/09/2025



THIS WEEK AT OLD TOWN

Additional Funding to Support Your Child

If you think you may be eligible to Free School Meals, even if your child doesn't want to take them, please can we urge you to apply as more money means more resources for our children. Please see Mrs Turpin in the office for a paper copy for the form.

After School Clubs Starting w/c 22nd September

The following club letters have come home this week:
Yr2-6 Sports Club starts on Monday 22nd September
Yr1-6 Gardening Club starts Monday 22nd September
Yr1-6 Art Club starts Thursday 25th September

We are also hoping that Chess Club will start on Tuesday 23rd September for Yr2-6 but we are still finalising details. A letter will hopefully come home next week.

Teddy Bears Picnic – Friday 26th September

Reception pupils are invited to our Teddy Bears Picnic, next Friday 27th September from 3.30pm – 4.30pm in the pagoda. Parents, this is a lovely opportunity to have a coffee and a cake and meet our PTA (FOOTS) whilst the children are entertained. This event is free of charge – just come along and have a nice time. Don't forget your teddy! Younger siblings are welcome. If any of the Yr6 children would like to come along to support their buddy, that would be lovely.

School Photographs – Wed 1st October

We have Happy Snapz Photography in school next Wednesday 1st October. If you would like to have photographs taken with pre-school children, please be in the hall for 8.30am as these will be taken first. School age children will be photographed with other school age siblings during the school day.

IMPORTANT! Class Photograph Consent

Class group photographs will be taken on school photograph day. If you **DO NOT** want your child to be included in the class group photograph for any reason, please let Mrs Turpin know on Monday or by return email.

Lunchboxes and Snacks

Please be reminded not to send chocolate bars in packed lunches or for snack. Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 have fruit and veg provided by school so do not need to bring a snack. For Years 3 – 6 you can send a snack for playtime. We encourage fruit, veg sticks, raisins, etc. Thank you in advance.

Holidays in Term Time

As you know, the school is not able to authorise holidays during term time. On rare occasions, parents do request these and we would encourage you to do this rather than pretend that your child is away from school due to illness. We feel that it if children are encouraged to keep up a pretense, that this undermines the relationship of trust between them and adults in school. Thank you.

What to do if your child is absent

Please call the school office or email with the reason why your child is absent before 9am. If we don't hear from you, we are obliged to come to the house to make

sure you are OK. This is called First Day Calling procedures and was introduced in Calderdale some years ago.

Breakfast/Out of School Club Number

Breakfast/Out of School Club telephone number for contacting them outside of the normal school day - 07759 240998.

YourSchoolLottery

If you would like to sign up to the School Lottery which raises money for FOOTS, click on the following link:

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk>

Ofsted Parent View

If you would like to share your view of the school with Ofsted, please use the following link. <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>

Awards This Week

Wainsgate

Hallie

Finley

Wadsworth

Sienna

Class Vote: Willow

Chiserley/Crimsworth

Jeep

Emile

Class Vote: Ophelia

Headteacher

Annabelle

Freya

Events Next Week

Tuesday – Author Visit Liz Flanagan

Tuesday – Chiserley/Crimsworth (Yr4/5/6) PE (please come in PE kit)

Wednesday – Wainsgate (R/Yr1) and Wadsworth (Yr2/3) PE (PE kit!!!)

Thursday Yr3-6 Cross Country Event at Calder High School 4.10pm

Friday – Yr4-6 to Tropical World (arrive for 8.15am pls)

Friday – Toddler Group in the Nook 9.15-11.15am

Future Dates

Mon 22nd September – Yr2-6 Sports Club 3.30-4.30pm

Mon 22nd September – Yr1-6 Gardening Club 3.30-4.45pm

Thurs 25th September – Yr1-6 Art Club 3.30-4.45pm

Fri 26th September – Teddy Bears Picnic for Reception & parents

Wed 1st October – School Photograph Day

Fri 3rd October – Whole School Flu Vaccination Day

Fri 3rd October – Reception Parents Drop In Session (details to follow)

Fri 10th October – Harvest Assembly at Community Centre 2pm

Thur 23rd October – FOOTS Halloween Disco 6pm @ Community Centre

Thur 23rd October – School Closes for Half Term

31st October – Closing date for Secondary School Applications

Monday 3rd November – School reopens for Aut Term 2

Sunday 9th November – Wadsworth Walking Market

Wed 19th November – Parents' Evening

Fri 5th December – Christmas Fayre

POST THIS WEEK

Have you received these letters?

Whole School

Newsletter

Yr2-6 Sports Club letter

Yr1-6 Gardening Club letter

Yr1-6 Art Club letter

Wadsworth

Cross Country Event 1 letter

Chiserley/Crimsworth

Yr5/6 Calder High School Open Evening flyer

Cross Country Event 1 letter