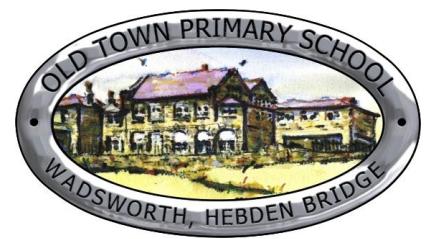


OLD TOWN NEWSLETTER

23/01/2026



THIS WEEK AT OLD TOWN

Thank You from FOOTS

FOOTS would like to say a huge thank you to Felicity and her parents for raising a massive £390 for us in their Christmas Day raffle at The Robin Hood. You're amazing!

No School Dinner on Friday 13th February

On Friday 13th February (the last day of term), Scout Road closed for a teacher training day, this means there will be no school dinners that day. We are asking that everyone brings a packed lunch please. If your child is free school meals (Universal Infant or normal FSM) and you have preordered with Mrs Turpin, this packed lunch will be delivered the day before and kept in the fridge.

Emergency Morning Closures

On occasions we may not be able to open the school in the morning due to adverse weather, boiler problems, etc. If this should happen, we will text message all parents. We will endeavour to do this by 7.30am at the latest wherever possible. We will then post a notice on the school website. If in any doubt, look at the school website. As you may be aware, Sandy Gate leading to Walker Lane and the road up towards the Hare and hounds are often not gritted or ploughed, therefore, should there be severe snow or frost, the bus routes will be safest.

Emergency Closures during the School Day

If a need to close occurs during the school day we will firstly text message all parents. The system generates a report to advise when the message has been delivered to the phone. In the event of a failed delivery, a telephone call will be made to you too. Secondly, we will post a notice on the school website welcome page. Can I reassure you that your child will never be sent home until you or your representative has arrived to collect him/her.

Wainsgate Donation Request

Wainsgate would like to ask for donations of boys underpants/boxers please. If you have any to donate, please drop them into class or the office.

Music Lessons in School

We have a few enquiries regarding learning a musical instrument in school. We currently have Calderdale Music who offer piano lessons in school on Fridays - contact them directly at the following website: <https://www.calderdalemusic.co.uk/>

We also have musician Helen Thatcher offering one to one lessons in either cello or piano on Tuesdays. If your child is interested, then please contact Helen directly at helen.thatcher87@gmail.com. Helen is happy for children to give lessons a go and doesn't ask for a termly commitment. We do have a cello in school if your child is interested in the short term.

Sally, Lucia and Amelie's Mum, also has a contact who comes into school on Tuesday after school to

teacher guitar. Please talk directly with her if your child may be interested in lessons.

Reminder Regarding Water Bottles and Coats

Please can we ask all parents to help their child to remember their winter coat every day. We try to play out whenever possible. This includes during rainy days and cold weather.

Also, children need a leak proof water bottle with them every day. We have a small stock of bottles available for £2.50 or new lids for 50p. Please order on the School Money Shop.

Reminder to Log on and Pay Outstanding Monies

Please can we remind all families to log on and pay all outstanding payments on School Money. Thank you in advance.

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

Bobby

Finbar

Wadsworth

Dylan G

Class Vote: Sam W

Chiserley/Crimsworth

No teacher award this week due to Class Showcase

Events Next Week

Monday - Wainsgate (R/Yr1) PE (PE Kit!!!)

Monday - Yr1-6 Gardening Club 3.30-4.45pm

Monday - Yr2-6 Sports Club 3.30-4.30pm

Monday - Headteacher Introductory Meeting in School Hall 6pm

Tuesday - Yr4/5/6 PE (please come in PE kit)

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

Thursday - Yr1-6 Art Club 3.30-4.45pm

Friday - Toddler Group in the School Hall 9.15-11.15am

Friday - Yr4-6 Drama Club 3.30-5pm

Future Dates

Friday 13th February - Packed lunch for everyone as no dinners

Friday 13th February - School Closes for Half Term

Monday 23rd February - School Re-opens for Spring Term 2

Wednesday 11th March - Parents' Evening

POST THIS WEEK

Have you received these letters?

Whole School

Newsletter

Letter from K Loftus Regarding PALT Merger Withdrawal

Letter from Eirwen McDonough regarding future Parents Meeting