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# Woodhouse Community Primary School

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Weekly Newsletter – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> December 2014

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**Sainsbury's School Games Award:** We have been awarded the Bronze Sainsbury's School Games Award Mark this week, in recognition of our commitment, engagement and delivery of competitive school sport in 2013/14. This is a superb achievement and reflects the hard work of everyone who had participated in after school clubs, competitions and festivals throughout the year, raising the standards of sport in WCP5. Now let's go for the Silver Award Mark!

**Y5 Trip To Toby!** Well done to Y5 who visited the Toby Carvery Restaurant this week to find out more about healthy eating and food preparation. Even better, they were served a delicious carvery lunch at the end: Mr Lockey assures me it was one of the best trips he's ever been on!!

**Y3 Trip to Bowes Museum:** Another trip out this week! This time for Year 3, who visited Bowes Museum this morning with Mrs Nixon. Again, our excellent behaviour was praised by the museum staff and the children thoroughly enjoyed their visit.

**Christmas Lunch:** It was an absolute pleasure to attend Christmas Lunch this week. The hall was beautifully decorated with Christmas tablecloths, decorations and even crackers and the children's excitement was obvious. Governors, staff and friends of the school all joined the children to eat together and it was a wonderful and memorable occasion. Huge thanks goes to our fabulous kitchen staff, who worked for days behind the scenes to prepare and cook such a tasty meal. Special thanks must go to Mrs Makinson, who has spent hours shopping for 200 crackers and preparing for the event, making sure it ran like clockwork. Thank you, everyone!

**Thrills and Skills Assembly:** Chris Hall, leader of Thrills and Skills For Life, attended our Celebration Assembly this morning. He was extremely complimentary about the Year 5 & 6 pupils who have participated in the programme for the past 12 weeks, saying that they were the best pupils he has ever worked with. To say I am extremely proud of our pupils and their leadership skills would be a massive understatement. Well done, Y5 & 6!

**SUDs Planting Day 2:** Further planting was carried out this week as part of our SUDs project, this time with our youngest children and parents. Thank you to everyone who attended: your continued support in improving our school is much appreciated as always!

**New Nursery Pupil's Visit:** I managed to meet several parents of our new Nursery starters joining us in January. The children thoroughly enjoyed their visit this week and showed how grown up they are and are ready to join us after Christmas!

**K5 1 Panto:** Year 1 & 2 visited Bishop Auckland College this afternoon for a panto treat. They all had a wonderful time – oh yes, they did! – and as ever, behaviour was fabulous.

**Headlice Reminder:** I did ask everyone on last week's newsletter to please check and treat all children's hair for any signs of headlice or eggs. It is vitally important that hair is treated fully (and for the whole family, not just the affected person) to prevent the infestation from spreading. It seems that Year 6 is particularly badly affected: please check and treat thoroughly to prevent this problem from getting any worse than it already is.

**This week's Pupils of the Week are:** (and their names will be on our indoor and outdoor TV screens!)

**Y1: Ella Kind & Coby Thompson for excellent paired work in ICT**

**Y2: Maddison Coke for great division work**

**Y3: Charli-Alan Wilkinson for super times table work**

**Y4: Faith Brooke for being an excellent role model in school and for beautiful presentation!**

**Y5: Sinead Tyler for excellent problem solving in maths**



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## **Y6: Elisha Marie Metcalfe for successful algebra in maths this week**

The Good Manners Trophy awarded by Lunchtime Supervisors this week goes to Aleesha Webb: well done!

**Astronomical Attendance:** This week, the winners of Astronomical Attendance are Class 6 with 95.8% attendance, well done!

### **Reception: %**

**Y1: 94%**

**Y2: 92%**

**Y3: 94%**

**Y4: 93%**

**Y5: 95.6%**

**Y6: 95.8%**

**Dates for your Diary:** (please also check the school website diary pages for key dates throughout the year)

Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	9.30-11.30am Year 1 Parent & Teacher Consultations & Xmas Crafts. Appointments given
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	1.00-3.00pm Year 4 Parent & Teacher Consultations & Xmas Crafts Appointments given
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	9.30-11.30am Year 2 Parent & Teacher Consultations & Xmas Crafts Appointments given
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	1.00-3.00pm Year 3 Parent & Teacher Consultations & Xmas Crafts Appointments given
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS (all day) Parent & Teacher Consultations & Xmas Crafts Appointments given
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	10-11am WCP5 Choir Singing Christmas Carols at Barclays Bank Bishop Auckland
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	1.00pm E-Safety Assembly, parents very welcome
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	1.30-2.55pm Christmas Fayre
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	9.30-11.30am Year 5 Parent & Teacher Consultations & Xmas Crafts Appointments given
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	1.30pm: Whole School Christmas Production for parents
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	1.00-2.55pm: Year 3 & 4 Christmas Party (party clothes to be brought into school in named bag)
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	10am Nativity for Nursery children Parents
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	1.00-2.55pm: KS 1 Christmas Party
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	10am Nativity for Reception children Parents
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	10am: EYFS Christmas Party
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	1.00-2.55pm: Year 5 & 6 Christmas Party (party clothes to be brought into school in named bag)
<b>Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>2.55pm Break up for Christmas</b>
<b>Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January</b>	<b>Children Return to School</b>
<b>Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Year 6 SATs. Under <i>no</i> circumstances must Y6 pupils be away from school during this time.</b>

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