

# West Barns Primary School

## November Newsletter

### Curriculum Evening

Come along with your child to meet their teacher, look around the classroom and let your child show you what they are learning this term! The school will be open for an informal session on **Tuesday 7th November from 5-7pm**. Don't miss this opportunity to find out more about your child's education. Everybody is welcome—bring along the family!



### Parent's Evening..

Parent's Evening this term will be held on **Tuesday 21st and Wednesday 22nd November**.

Please could you return the letter regarding your choice of date as soon as possible. This will be an ideal opportunity to look at your child's work, discuss their progress with their teacher and take home their Learning Journey for the first time this session. You are welcome to bring your child along with you to speak to their teacher. We ask that the Learning Journeys are returned to school by **Friday 1st December**.

We will be asking about your views regarding the school through a button vote and signing up parents and families to our West Barns Helping Hands programme.

We have been asked by parents to ensure that teachers keep to the 10 minute appointments. If you need longer to speak to your child's teacher please feel free to make a further appointment at a later date.



### Book Fair 2017

The Scholastic Book Fair will be in school from **Monday 27th November to Saturday 2nd December**. Please feel free to come in and browse at 3.30pm or during the Christmas Fair. For every book that is purchased by pupils or families the school receives a book of the same value for free.



### Traffic Around The School

Parent Council have asked us to remind everybody to take care when driving around the school. Please make sure that you:

- park in an appropriate place
- reduce your speed when driving in the built up area around the school
- use the one-way system during drop off and pick up times.
- watch out for children walking, cycling or scooting to and from school



This way we can keep all our pupils and their families safe.

### Nut Free School

Can we remind parents and carers that we are a nut free school as we have some children at West Barns who have serious allergies to nut products.



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## Dates for Your Diary

Terms 1 & 2 2016

Curriculum Evening (5pm-7pm)	Tuesday	7th November
Children in Need	Friday	17th November
Parent's Evening	Tuesday	21st November
Parent's Evening	Wednesday	22nd November
P7 pupils to Risk Factory	Monday	27th November
Book Fayre	Mon—Sat	27th November—2nd December
Learning Journeys to be returned to school	Friday	1st December
Nasal Flu Immunisation programme	Monday	4th December
P1-4 Christmas Show	Tuesday	12th December
Christmas Panto	Tuesday	19th December
Christmas Dinner	TBC	
P1-4 Christmas Party	Wednesday	20th December
Nursery Christmas Party	Thursday	21st December
P5-7 Christmas Party	Thursday	21st December
Christmas Assembly	Friday	22nd December
Finish school for Christmas	Friday	22nd December
Pupils return to school	Monday	8th January

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### Reminders for Parent/Carers

- Could all **dinner money** be paid weekly (preferably on a Monday) (£7.60) or daily (£1.90) **in advance**.
- Please could you ensure that **pupil belongings**, especially lunchboxes, school sweat-shirts, t-shirts and cardigans are **clearly named**.
- Regularly check our **lost property box** in reception for missing items. Each year we are left with a pile of clothing, bags, lunch boxes and toys that pupils assure us do not belong to anybody!
- We collect old clothes, shoes, handbags and belts through the **recycle bin** in the school playground to raise funds for the school.
- If your child is sick and unable to attend school or Nursery please could you phone us and let us know **before 9.30am**
- Please could you ensure that your child has a **water bottle at school**. We encourage children to drink water regularly during the day to help concentration and keep them hydrated.



### Thank You!

Many thanks for the food donated at our Harvest Assembly for the Dunbar Food Bank. All donations will be gratefully received by the families that use the Food Bank.



### Project Plenty

Our Primary 6/7 pupils recently took part in the first week of our Project Plenty programme. Using our new food technology equipment that has been funded by Education Scotland the children worked with Hannah Ewan from The Ridge supported by staff and parents to plan and produce a seasonal snack to serve to parents and visitors at our Harvest Assembly. The children and staff loved this experience which included a trip to harvest food from the Community Garden. We have Project Plenty weeks planned for all our pupils this year. Watch out for further details!

