

# **WILBURY PRIMARY SCHOOL**

## **Newsletter**



**JANUARY 2023**

*Children at the heart of all we do!*

**This Newsletter can be accessed on our School website:**

**[www.wilburyprimaryschool.org.uk](http://www.wilburyprimaryschool.org.uk)**

Dear Parent/Carer

**Happy New Year 2023** and welcome to the Spring term at Wilbury School.

**ENERGY COSTS - REMINDER:** As the weather gets colder, we would ask you to please ensure your child comes to school dressed in layers of clothes to ensure they are kept warm on the coldest days. Our energy budgets are constantly reviewed but are understandably under extreme pressure at the moment – please rest assured the school will be heated as necessary. School fleeces are available and are particularly warm both at school and at home.

**SEVERE WEATHER:** Please note that if we experience severe weather conditions you can access our website for the latest school information.

**[www.wilburyprimaryschool.org.uk](http://www.wilburyprimaryschool.org.uk)**

In the unlikely event that we have to close, signs will be placed on the school gates – gates into Nursery/yellow gates/Wilbury Way stating 'School is closed today'.

Information on our website will be transmitted as soon after 7.00 a.m. as possible.

**If school is closed then there will not be any staff in school to take phone calls.**

We will also try to text as early as possible, so please ensure that you have given us your updated contact numbers. Obviously I hope this will not happen—if school is open, we do expect all children to attend as usual.

**PARENTS' EVENINGS:** Parents' evenings this term are:

- **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February** – 3.30 – 6.30 p.m.
- **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> February** – 3.30 – 5.30 p.m.

Full details and information will be sent out in due course.

**EARLY YEARS OPEN DAY: 2022-2023**

**ALL WELCOME – drop in session – no need to book**

**9.30 – 11.00 am - Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January**

**TERRIFIC TWOS – paid places:** We are able to offer places in TWOS at £20 per session for parents who are not eligible for funding. This would be for five 3-hour sessions per week, mornings or afternoons during term time. Please contact our school office if you are interested

**URGENT REQUEST:** Several parents appear to have changed their email addresses recently – **please ensure you let us know right away as this is the method we will send all letters home to you.** Please also ensure you have left working telephone numbers with us for at least two separate contacts, as we are finding it more and more difficult to contact parents. Numbers seem to change regularly and we are unable to contact parents in an emergency. Please remember to delete any numbers no longer in use.



## **Friends of Wilbury – Fundraising**

### **Wilbury Community**

**School Uniform:** If your child has outgrown their uniform and it is still in good condition please donate this via the school office so that it can be 'rehomed'.

**Felix Project** - food deliveries are every Tuesday. If you would like to receive some items, please contact Ms Hassan. PLEASE BE AWARE - The Felix Project collects fresh, nutritious food from suppliers that cannot be sold. Please visit <https://thefelixproject.org/about/our-story> for more information

**PHONES IN SCHOOL: Years 3 – 6** - Please remember that children are no longer permitted to bring smart phones into school. Please ensure any device you buy your child is **not** a smart phone.

**CURRICULUM STATEMENTS:** Information and news for your child's year group for the Spring Term will be emailed to you early next week.

**NUT ALLERGIES:** We are a healthy eating school and several of our children have severe nut allergies. Please **DO NOT** send any child into school with nut products (peanut butter, nutella etc) or chocolates or biscuits and cakes containing nuts in their lunch boxes. Even the smell of these products can cause an allergic reaction to another child sitting nearby.

**WATER BOTTLES:** Please remember to send your child to school with a **plastic water** bottle showing their name. We have recently had a serious accident in school with a child and a metal bottle.

**BULGARIAN SURGERY:** Our Bulgarian family support worker will be available in the office each Thursday from 2.30 pm to assist any parents with any queries – no appointments needed.

**EARLY YEARS/Nursery:** It is not too late to apply for a place in our Nursery if your child was born between 01.09.2018 and 31.08.2019 – please ask at the office for further details or contact admissions on 020 83795501 or apply online at **[www.eadmissions.org.uk](http://www.eadmissions.org.uk)** We also have availability for 15 hour sessions in Terrific Twos for all eligible children. Please ask if you have any queries.

**ATTENDANCE:** We would like all parents to know that our target for school attendance remains at **96%**. Please report your child's absence from school before **9.30am** by telephoning 020 88075335 (**Select Option 1 for Attendance**) and advise us of the reason for your child's absence.

**PARKING RESTRICTIONS:** Please be aware of the local restrictions when parking near the school and consider our neighbours by not parking across their driveways whether in use or not.

**L. Wise (Mrs)**  
**Headteacher**

## DATES FOR YOUR JANUARY DIARY:



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Tuesday	10 <sup>th</sup>	Early Years 2023 – open day ALL WELCOME from 9.30 – 11.00 am
Friday	20 <sup>th</sup>	Young Voices – Celebration at the 02
Tuesday	24 <sup>th</sup>	Year 4 Explore project
HALF TERM: Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> February		

**SCHOOL STREETS:** Please be aware that our school is part of the scheme - this means you cannot drive through Weir Hall Road between **08.30 – 9.15 am and 2.45 – 3.30 p.m.**). The area covered is between Wilbury Way/Lansbury Avenue. **Our address is also included in the ULEZ extended charging zone.**

### BREAKFAST & AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS:

Please register your child at the school if you would like to attend either club at any time. Please be aware that we cannot accept children in the clubs as emergency child care. Each child must be registered with all your contact details and given a regular place.

This is for health and safety as well as insurance reasons.

We need to be fully staffed for the group in the club. All places must be paid for in advance via parentpay.

The last day of the Spring Term is **Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March** when we close at **2.00 p.m.** **School reopens on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April.**

### School Closure Dates: 2022/2023:

#### INSET DAYS: (Staff training)

- Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September
- Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September
- Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October
- Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2023
- **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023**

### Bank Holidays:

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2023**

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2023 (additional date)**