

Walmsley CE Primary School

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Walmsley News Friday, 6th December 2024

National School Attendance Award

We are delighted to share some fantastic news with you - our school has been ranked in the top 10% of primary schools in England for the National School Attendance Award for the academic year 2023/2024!

Christmas Fair - Friday, 13th December

Thank you so much for all your very generous donations towards our Christmas Hampers and for providing sweets and chocolates for our Christmas Fair.

Our Christmas Fair will take place on **Friday, 13th December**. The fair will be held during the school day from 1:30pm to 3:20pm exclusively for Walmsley children, followed by a session for parents and carers from 3:45pm to 4:30pm. We would like to invite all children to come to school dressed in their most festive Christmas clothes on this day and to bring with them a maximum of £10 to spend at the fair. Wherever possible, please could this be in change.

We have a fantastic line-up of stalls planned, including:

- 🌲 Face Painting
- 🌲 Hair and/or Glitter Tattoos
- 🌲 Tuck Shop
- 🌲 Santa's Grotto - Photo with Santa £3 (includes a gift)
- 🌲 Cake Shop
- 🌲 Decorating Christmas Biscuits
- 🌲 Christmas Art & Crafts
- 🌲 Games Room featuring: Cards Higher or Lower, Santa Spin, Pin the Nose on Rudolph, Splat the Rat, Marble Drop, Olaf Snowman Game, 100 Square, and 20 Christmas Bottles
- 🌲 Children's Bric-a-Brac/Book Stall (Please send any suitable donations into school).

Important Information - Face Painting and Temporary Tattoos

During the fair, we will have a stall dedicated to face painting and the application of temporary tattoos. These activities are always a hit with the children and add to the festive spirit of the event. However, I understand that some parents may have reservations about their children participating in these activities. **If you do not wish for your child to have face paint or tattoos, please do let us know by emailing the school office before Thursday, 12th December.** This will help us to ensure that all children can enjoy the fair while respecting your preferences.



Resilience



Trust



Aspiration



Hope








Respect



Love

'Growing as a family to flourish in God's Love'

To ensure our Christmas Fair is a resounding success, we would greatly appreciate the support of our parents. If you can lend a hand, please email the school office indicating which of the following areas you can assist with:

-  Face Painting
-  Hair Plaiting
-  Helping on a Stall
-  Assisting with the Games
-  Providing shop bought cakes for our 'Cake Shop'! Nothing containing nuts please.

Walmsley's Christmas Raffle

Tickets are now on sale for just £2.00 per entry! You can conveniently purchase your raffle tickets through the School Gateway App. Alternatively, you can purchase raffle tickets from the school office with cash.

We have over 30 Christmas Hampers in our prize collection!

Water Bottles

Please could we ask that only water bottles with a sports cap (of a sensible size) are sent into school. **No Stanley Cups please** - this is to prevent spillage.

Extra-Curricular Clubs

Bookings are now OPEN for our Spring 2025 Before and After School Clubs. Book early to avoid disappointment! Please book via our My Child at School App.

Online Safety Newsletter - December 2024

<https://www.walmsley.bolton.sch.uk/safeguarding>

Dates for your Diary...

Monday, 9th December

Our last Saving Threads Clothing Collection.



Christmas at Walmsley!

Pantomime (Rec/KS1) - Aladdin	11th December 2024	PM –Victoria Hall - Return to school approximately 4:15pm
Christmas Fair	13th December 2024	PM
Pantomime (KS2) - Cinderella	17th December 2024	PM – Manchester Opera House - Return to school approximately 5:45pm to 6:00pm (leaving Manchester at 5:00pm!)
Nativity Performances (Rec-Y2)	17th December 2024 18th December 2024	1:30pm 9:30am

Carol Service at Christ Church Walmsley (Y3-6)	18th December 2024	Y3&4 - 5:00pm Y5&6 - 6:00pm
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Please note, tickets for the Nativity performances and the Christmas Carol Service will come home early next week.

Friday, 20th December

Break up for the Christmas Holidays at 2:00pm

What's happening in the News this Week? What does it mean to feel included?

<https://www.walmsley.bolton.sch.uk/Parents/newsletters>

Notices

Please follow the link to view more information on all our Notices:

<https://www.walmsley.bolton.sch.uk/Parents/newsletters>

Urban Outreach

Harvest 2024 Thank You!

BBC Children in Need & Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

We are delighted to announce as a school we have raised an amazing amount of:

- £552.14 for Children in Need
- £647.16 for the Poppy Appeal

Job Vacancy

Bolton Council - School Catering Assistant

<https://www.greater.jobs/job/75655502>

The Role - Services to Schools is looking for staff to be based in various locations across the borough of Bolton to assist in the basic preparation and cooking of food and beverages, setting up the dining room and service of food and beverages. Cleaning of kitchen equipment, crockery and utensils ensuring hygiene standards are met.

Previous experience is not essential for this role and full training will be provided.

Quality Sport Holiday Club - Christmas 2024 Sports Camp!