

# Wildmoor Heath School Newsletter

15<sup>th</sup> December 2017

## Christmas Jumper Day

Wildmoor Heath School is fundraising today – by wearing **Christmas Jumpers** - for the **'The Fire Fighters Charity'**. The charity supports fire fighters who suffer from mental and physical problems which have formed over their hard years of working for us day in, day out. The School Council has asked everyone (child or grown up) who wears a Christmas jumper to donate at least £1. Every penny raised in Bracknell Forest will be spent on local fire fighters, including those in Crowthorne. Thank you for your support.



Daniel Summersell (Leader of the School Council )

## Members of the Local Governing Body (LGB)

At a meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> December, the current governing body reconstituted in preparation for joining GLT. As from 1<sup>st</sup> January, the current governors become the 'Local Governing Body' working with the Members and Board of the Trust. The school's governors are:

Karen Roche (Chair)	Trust Governor
Jason Cooper (Vice-Chair)	Trust Governor
Carole Blunden-Lee	Trust Governor
Karen Budden	Parent Governor
Sophie Leadbeatter	Staff Governor
Stewart Mackie	Trust Governor
Chloe Mietle	Community Governor
Alison Rolls	Parent Governor
Christopher Salt	Trust Governor
Grant Strudley	Headteacher (ex-officio)
Cllr. Cliff Thompson	Community Governor
Nicola Thurgood	Staff Governor
Ben Wickins	Community Governor

Clerk: Celeste Moruzzi ([clerk@wildmoorheath.org.uk](mailto:clerk@wildmoorheath.org.uk))

You can find out more on the school's website: <http://www.wildmoorheath.org.uk/OurSchool/Governors/>.

## Poppy Appeal

Wildmoor Heath raised a fantastic **£457.15** for The Royal British Legion in November as part of the Poppy Appeal. Thank you to everyone who contributed.



## Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

2017 has flown by and it's hard to believe another year has gone by! Perhaps the most important event of the year has been the decision by the school's Governors to become an academy within the Greenshaw Learning Trust (GLT). I am looking forward to working with the Greenshaw 'family of schools', including our neighbours Crown Wood and Brakenhale when we join in January. We will, however, maintain and develop our existing partnerships, in particular with Edgbarrow and the Crowthorne / Sandhurst primary cluster, and to develop a different relationship with the LA. I would like to thank the Governors not only for their hard work in this decision, but for all they do to support and challenge me and to help improve the school. We had over 30 visits during 2017, including our two residential visits, the Globe Theatre, the Natural History Museum, Legoland, Oakwood Challenge and many other arts and sporting opportunities. On top of that, we've had visitors to the school such as Roots to Food and the Mayor of Bracknell Forest. I would like to thank the PTA Committee – and every one of you who supports their work – for the money raised. Quite simply, without the PTA, we would be unable to do as much as we do. Finally, I'd like to thank Wildmoor Heath's dedicated and hard-working, staff, who – like the children – are always REACHING for their best! My best wishes to you and your families for a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year and I look forward to seeing everyone safely back at school on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2018.

Mr G Strudley (Headteacher)

## Dates for your diary

- 19 Dec 17 - Peter Pan Panto Trip (YR/Y1)
- 19 Dec 17 - Last day of Autumn Term
- 03 Jan 18 - Start of Spring Term
- 10 Jan 18 to 11 Jan 18 - Parent Consultations
- 15 Jan 18 to 19 Jan 18 – Bikeability (Y6)
- 16 Jan 18 – Maths Workshop (6pm)
- 17 Jan 18 – Maths Workshop (9am)

*Don't forget to follow us on Twitter (@WildmoorHeath) and to check the Website for updates!*



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## Some Highlights of 2017

### Spring (January – March 2017)

We had a musical start to the year with the choir performing at the O2 as part of Young Voices. Year 6 and Year 4 had exciting adventures on their residential trips to Rhos-y-gwaliau (RYG) and Hooke Court. The choir were back in action again in March when the choir sang at the Madejski Stadium before a London Irish RFC match.



### Summer (April – August 2017)

The Summer Term was, as usual, a busy one! Year R – who never mind a bit of dressing up – finished their space topic with a fantastic array of costumes. The Reception Garden also enjoyed a 'make-over' thanks to Community Payback and fundraising by parents. Year 3 went to see the dinosaurs at the Natural History Museum in London, while a group of children and staff spent the day at Wentworth watching the Open Golf Championship. Year 6 were in London twice during the Summer Term – the whole class went to The Globe to see Twelfth Night and then a smaller group were back at the O2 for the PIXL Celebration. Year 1 spent some time in the jungle at The Living Rainforest as part of their IPC topic and our girls' swimming team took bronze in their first appearance at the Bracknell Forest Swimming Gala.



### Autumn (September – December 2017)

In September, 5 'Golden Ticket' winners represented the school and participated in the opening of Bracknell's new shopping centre, The Lexicon. Year 5 went to Go Ape at The Lookout and we said well done to all the children who took part and completed Bracknell Forest's Summer Reading Challenge. The Mayor of Bracknell Forest visited the school and announced the results of the School Council Election. More recently we were pleased to receive a new football kit from the Premier League and the children in Years 3-6 did some cookery with Roots to Food. We've also had a fun packed festive period with a Christmas Concert, Nativity Play and Pantomime!



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