



# West Thurrock Academy

## Newsletter No 10 - 24th November 2023

### Holiday Dates -

**Christmas Holidays** - Monday 18th December 2023 - Friday 5th January 2024

**February Half Term** - Monday 12th February 2024 - Friday 16th February 2024

**Easter Holidays** - Friday 29th March 2024 - Friday 12th April 2024

**May Half-Term** - Monday 27th May 2024 - Friday 31st May 2024

**INSET Day - Friday 21st June 2024 and Monday 24th June 2024**

**Last Day of Summer Term** - Friday 19th July 2024 - 2pm Finish

### Dates for your Diary -

Monday 27th November 2023 - Year 5 Sharing Assembly @2:30pm

Tuesday 28th November 2023 - Reception Height and Weight Check

Tuesday 28th November 2023 - Year 3 Sharing Assembly @2:30pm

Wednesday 29th November 2023 - Year 4 - Cheese Tasting

Thursday 30th November 2023 - Panto

Friday 1st December 2023 - Ice Skating Experience

Tuesday 5th December 2023 - Bedtime Stories Event

Wednesday 6th December 2023- Nutcracker - Royal Opera House (Year 3/5)

Thursday 7th December 2023 - WTA Christmas Day (Dinner/Jumper/Party)

Thursday 7th December 2023 - Belong Gaming Experience (Liger)

Friday 8th December 2023 - Belong Gaming Experience (Lion)

Friday 8th December 2023 - Nursery Performance @ 10:50am and 2:50pm

### This week's attendance levels -

Lynx - 96.7%

Leopard - 89%

Panther - 94%

Lion - 95%

Bobcat - 94.6%

Marozi - 94%

Bengal - 97.8%

Cougar - 94.7%

Liger - 92.3%

**Ocelot - 97% (Key Stage 1 Winner)**

Jaguar - 92%

**Puma - 99.3% (Key Stage 2 Winner)**

Tigon - 96.3%

### LUNCH MENU – WEEK BEGINNING 27TH NOVEMBER 2023

<b>Monday</b>	Tuna Pasta Bake with Mixed Vegetables and Broccoli	Macaroni Cheese with Mixed Vegetables and Broccoli	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Filling	Coco Rice Crispies Cake
<b>Tuesday</b>	Beef Chilli Con Carne with Rice, Green Beans and Bread	Quorn Chilli Con Carne with Rice, Green Beans and Bread	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Filling	Fruit Cocktail
<b>Wednesday</b>	Toad in the Hole with Mash, Peas and Cauliflower	Quorn Toad in the Hole with Mash, Peas and Cauliflower	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Filling	Ice Cream Roll
<b>Thursday</b>	BBQ Chicken Pizza with Crisps, Garlic Bread and Sweetcorn	Cheese & Tomato Pizza with Crisps, Garlic Bread and Sweetcorn	Ham Baguette, Tuna Baguette or Cheese Baguette with Potato Crisps	Apple Crumble & Custard
<b>Friday</b>	Plant Burger in a Bun with Chips, Beans and Sweetcorn	Meat Free Sausage Roll with Chips, Beans and Sweetcorn	Ham Baguette, Tuna Baguette or Cheese Baguette with Chips	Angel Delight

### **Performances -**

We have several performances coming up before the end of term. Families involved should have already received a letter linked to the performance. The key dates for these can be found below. If you have any questions about any of the performances, please contact the office.

Monday 27th November 2023 - Year 5 Sharing Assembly @2:30pm

Tuesday 28th November 2023 - Year 3 Sharing Assembly @2:30pm

Friday 8th December 2023 - Nursery Performance @ 10:50am (morning children) and 2:50pm (afternoon children)

Monday 11th December 2023 - Reception Christmas Performance @ 2:30pm

Tuesday 12th December 2023 - Reception Christmas Performance @ 9:30am

Wednesday 13th December 2023 - Year 3 performing at Ikea

Wednesday 13th December 2023 - Year 4 Christmas Performance @ 2:30pm

Thursday 14th December 2023 - Year 4 Christmas Performance @ 9:30am

Year 1 and 2 Sharing Assemblies will take place between January and July and Year 6 Puppet Performance will take place in July.

### **Pantomime -**

Next Thursday (30th November) all of the children will have the opportunity to watch a pantomime. The children in Nursery to Year 2 will be watching a pantomime performed in school while the children in Year 3 to Year 6 will be travelling to the Queen's Theatre to watch their pantomime. There are still a lot of children in Years 3 to 6 who have not completed their consent form for this trip. Without this consent, they will not be able to attend. You can provide consent using Arbor. If you need any support with this, please contact the office and someone will support you.

As the performance at the Queen's Theatre will be taking place in the morning, we have had to make some changes to Year 3-6 lunch arrangements for this day. The children can either bring in a packed lunch or choose a school dinner which will be a selection of baguettes (Ham, Cheese or Tuna). Packed lunches and school dinners will be consumed when the children are back from the performance. This will allow for a seamless lunch regardless of any potential delays on returning. Children in Reception to Year 2 will be able to choose one of the normal options - these can be found on the front of this newsletter.

### **Bedtime Stories -**

This year, we have decided to hold our 'Bedtime Stories' event again. The event will take place on Tuesday 5th December 2023. The event will be held at school between the hours of 5pm - 6pm (children in Nursery and Reception) or 6pm - 7pm (children in Year 1 - Year 6). To take part in this event, the children will be invited to attend the school in their pyjamas and dressing gown with the option to bring slippers to change into. During the event, they will have milk and cookies whilst listening to different stories in their class. A letter and link to sign up to this event was sent out this afternoon.

### **WTA Christmas Day (Dinner/Jumper/Party) -**

West Thurrock Academy Christmas Day will take place on Thursday 7th December this year. On this day, the children will be able to have Christmas dinner, wear a Christmas jumper or festive top and attend their class party. This will be a full non-school uniform event. There will be no charge for this event. Details about how you can order a free Christmas dinner will be supplied next week.