

Headteacher Newsletter

5TH DECEMBER 2025

A MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD

Dear parents/ carers,

Apologies that there was no newsletter last week; I was at a Headteacher's conference, listening to a presentation from one of His Majesty's Inspectors, regarding the new Ofsted framework. Many of you will know that Well Green are now in an Ofsted window and it was refreshing to hear that the new framework will focus heavily on inclusion, which is one of our own school improvement objectives.

On the topic of Inclusion, I was delighted to conduct a Learning Walk this week with Mrs Oldham and Claire Waxman, one of our Governors. Our focus was on inclusion and ensuring that all of our pupils, regardless of any barriers they may face, had access to a high quality education. We were blown away by the offer that each and every pupil received, and children spoke positively about how adaptations to the classroom environment meant that it was a level playing field for all.

Our attention now turns to an exceptionally busy, but fun, time of year. I can't wait to welcome you all into school for the various performances taking place next week, and I know the children are all very excited to take part in upcoming trips and parties!

You should receive your child's interim report this evening, and I hope you are satisfied with the outcome following our recent round of assessments. Please do speak with your child's class teacher in the first instance if you have any questions regarding these.

Don't forget to also follow us on Instagram (@wellgreenprimary) for pictures and videos of all the fun things going on in school!

Have a fantastic weekend everyone!

Mr Tien-Rhimes

WINTER FAIR

A reminder that the Winter Fair is taking place this evening. It will start at 5pm and run until 7pm, we look forward to seeing you all there!

A huge thank you to all of the children and parents for their donations, and a massive thanks to the PTA for organising such a huge event!

ATTENDANCE

Our attendance this week was 95.4% - which is fantastic considering the amount of winter bugs going around right now! Well done everyone, please keep it up!

CONGRATULATIONS

Well done to the following pupils, who were recognised this week and last week for their amazing work in class:

Reception - Aleksander Karbowski
Reception - Cole Tierney-Abbott
Year 1 - Advika Katakam
Year 1 - Sheethal Rajesh
Year 2 - Robert Homan
Year 2 - Henry Marshall
Year 3 - Sam McNaughton
Year 3 - Ahmed Cheema
Year 4 - Asiya Philips
Year 4 - Maymoonah Jahjah
Year 5 - Emily Archer
Year 5 - Isobel Strong
Year 6 - Malak Alsafty
Year 6 - Magnus Smith

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GOING CASHLESS!

Mr Ayers and Mr Garside work incredibly hard in our school office to keep things running smoothly each day. In order to assist them with this, and to reduce their workload, we are moving to a cashless system in the office. From the start of the Spring Term, the office will no longer accept cash for payments. All payments will take place via ParentPay. Please speak with the office staff if you need support getting set up on ParentPay. Thank you for your assistance with this!

FUNDRAISING TOTALS

It seems an age ago that we were fundraising for the Royal British Legion and Children in Need, but I've just received the totals for these events. The school raised an incredible £217.03 for the Royal British Legion and £463.00 for Children in Need. Thank you to all of you for your magnificent fundraising efforts.

SEND RESOURCES

As mentioned in the opening section of this newsletter, Well Green is committed to providing an inclusive education to all, regardless of any barriers that an individual may face. To support this, the PTA have very kindly funded a huge amount of resources, including wobble cushions, fidget toys, therabands and even a standing desk in each classroom.

We know this will be transformational for some children in school and so we are incredibly grateful for the support from our parent community.

CHALLENGE CORNER

Loads of you solved my riddle from last week - the answer was a match stick!
Can you solve these 4 Rebus Puzzles?

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3 November	INSET DAY
4 November	Children return to school
7 November	Winter Fair donations: Hamper items (<u>non perishable</u>)
13 November	Open Day for prospective families
14 November	Children in Need
14 November	Winter Fair donations: Hamper items (<u>non perishable</u>)
19 November	Year 3 Manchester Museum trip
21 November	Winter Fair donations: gifts for the wrap a gift stall
24 November	Assessment Week
28 November	Winter Fair Donations: Chocolate and Sweets
1 December	<u>Bikeability</u> (Year 6)
5 December	Winter Fair
5 December	Interim Reports out to parents
9 December	EYFS Nativity 2.30pm
9 December	KS1 Nativity 5pm
10 December	Reception and KS1 Theatre (Lowry)
10 December	Reception and KS1 Theatre trip (Lowry)
11 December	Year 3 – 6 Winter Celebrations performance 5pm
11 December	Christmas Dinner
12 December	KS2 Theatre Trip (Bolton Octagon)
15 December	Year 5 and 6 End of term party
16 December	Year 1 and 2 end of term party
17 December	Year 3 and 4 Christmas Party
18 December	Mr Tinsel (EYFS Christmas Party)
18 December	Robinwood parent meeting (2.30pm)
19 December	Own Clothes Day/ Christmas Jumper Day
19 December	Toy Day
19 December	End of school term

WELL GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

PTA NEWS

Your children are already benefiting from PTA fundraising

If your child has ever enjoyed the infant timber trail, used the IT suite, run around our track, or borrowed books from our library, they've already benefited from PTA fundraising. The school budget didn't fund these; they were made possible by parents like you who gave a little time, attended events, or made donations. The PTA (Parent-Teacher Association) is a group of parent volunteers dedicated to raising funds for those other must-have resources and experiences that make school life even better

Why volunteering is more rewarding than you think

Parents get involved for lots of reasons – to connect with the school community, to share their skills, or simply to give back. But mostly? It's about coming together as a community and having fun whilst making a real difference.

The best part? You don't need to commit hours of time. Whether you can help at one event, have a fundraising idea, know of an employer who offers match funding or corporate sponsorship, or can organise something in your own time – every contribution matters.

This year's funded project

Help us raise £11k to boost your child's confidence, resilience and academic success

This year, we're excited to announce our fundraising target: £11,000 to establish a Forest School at Well Green. The funds will provide essential equipment, including a weather shelter, fire pit, pond, and other resources to bring outdoor education to life.

But why Forest School when academic achievement matters so much?

We understand that in the 11+ area, academic achievement is of paramount importance to families. However, Forest School doesn't compete with academic learning; it enhances it.

Research from the Forestry Commission shows that outdoor learning develops critical skills that directly support classroom success. Children build resilience, problem-solving abilities, teamwork, and creativity, exactly the skills that help them excel in secondary school and beyond. Areas like confidence, social skills, language and communication, motivation and concentration, physical development, and understanding of the world.

Forest School activities also support core subjects in unexpected ways. Measuring spaces teaches maths. Observing nature develops scientific thinking. Building shelters requires planning and design. Perhaps most importantly, outdoor learning helps children develop emotional regulation and confidence.

When your child moves on to secondary school, they'll take with them not just academic knowledge, but the independence, resilience, and problem-solving skills that Forest School nurtures. It's an investment in the whole child



What's Next? Your ideas could shape our future

After the Winter Fair, we'll be sending out a short survey to all families. We would like to hear your thoughts on PTA activities and, more importantly, how we can make it easier for you to get involved.

Got ideas for fundraising? Wondering about match funding from your employer? Curious about what we're planning? We're already working on exciting events for the new year, including the return of our hugely successful International Food Night as a Heritage Evening celebration.

Your voice matters, and we're listening.

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Together, we're building something special for every child at Well Green.