Friday 13th October, 2023

Halloween Disco



You should have now received a letter with the details of the Halloween disco. Tickets are $\pounds 1$ - slips and money should be returned to the school office. Pupils will be registered at the door for entry rather than issuing paper tickets. If children want to get dressed up, the outfits must be age appropriate. The date for the Halloween disco was incorrect on the newsletter- the disco is on Thursday 26th October- apologies for any confusion caused.

Harvest Collection

This Harvest Festival, we will be collecting for Willington Food bank. The Food Bank would particularly like instant meals (kettle food), jams, chocolate, tinned potatoes, biscuits or savoury items. Any donations would be greatly appreciated between Monday 16th October until Thursday 26th October and will be collected in classrooms. Thank you.

Pupil Attendance

At Willington Primary we place great importance on good attendance and punctuality. We know that a child's attendance has a direct impact on their learning. Those children who are regularly absent from school and regularly late do not achieve their potential and do fall behind in class. Please support the school in this by ensuring that your child attends school regularly and arrives ready to learn and on time.

Attendance matters! It is important that your child gets to school on time and aims for 100% attendance!

Frequent absence can add up to a considerable amount of lost learning and can seriously disadvantage your child in adult life.

Nationally primary pupil attendance is around **96%**. This means that a child needs to attend school for at least 177 out of 190 days (no more than 7 days absence across the whole year) to meet Government expectations.

WHAT IS YOUR ATTENDANCE?



STARS OF THE WEEK Reception: Roxanne and Shay

> Year 1: Jai Year 2: All of Year 2 Year 3: Tommy Year 4: Lola-Ivy Year 5: Grace W Year 6: Olly

DATES TO Remember

Tuesday 24th October – Flu Nasal Vaccinations Reception to Y6

Tuesday 24th October – Harvest Festival for years 3 to 6

Thursday 26th October – Halloween disco

Monday 30th October to Friday 3rd November – Half term holiday

Monday 6th November – School closed for teacher training

Tuesday 7th November - Pupils return to school

Tuesday 14th November - Year 5 trip to Life Science Centre

Week commencing 13th May 2024, children in year 6 have their SATs exams. Please do not book holidays or pupil leave during this week.

If you have concerns about your child's attendance we can support you. Please contact us.

Autumn has Arrived!

The Autumn season is definitely upon us, the weather is getting colder and the nights are drawing in. Please make sure your child comes to school wearing appropriate

clothing and footwear. We do play out and have lessons in all weathers, so a warm winter coat along with waterproof footwear is essential to ensure your child can enjoy spending time outdoors.

