# **Twiss Green Newsletter**

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# **Christmas Events**

Thank you for your support at our different Christmas events over the past few weeks. From our Christmas tree 'Glow Up' on the 1st December, to our Christmas parties this week, we have celebrated December and Christmas in style! We are so proud of the children, who all performed beautifully at events such as the Nativity, KS2 Carol Service and Coffee, Cakes and Carols. Special mention must be given to our choir, who performed for the very first time at Leigh Golf Club's Christmas Fair and then had a lovely time performing for residents at Holcroft Grange this week. We hope you enjoyed coming into school for decoration days, performances and our Christmas Fair. As always, your help and support is much appreciated. Below are just a few of our favourite photos from December!













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### **Parking Concerns**

We have had a few complaints recently about dangerous and irresponsible parking. Please can we remind all family members to be considerate of the children's safety and local residents when parking. We have spoken to our local PCSO about the issue and have invested in some signs which remind drivers to think before parking. We hope these will help to make a difference in the new year.



# SENCO Update

As many of you will know, Mrs Puckey (our Year 1 teacher and SENCO) has been absent from school due to illness for several weeks. Unfortunately, she is still not well enough to return after Christmas and Miss Morrison will continue to teach our Year 1 children in January.

As always, we are committed to ensuring that the needs of all of our children are met. Therefore, we have been fortunate enough to secure an experienced SENCO to be seconded to us for one afternoon a week in Mrs Puckey's absence. Mrs Knowles, who is the SENCO from Grappenhall Heys Primary School, will be with us on a Tuesday afternoon and will support us with some of the more specialised SEND work and referrals we need to complete. Mrs Hughes will continue to have an overview of SEND and check the SENCO email address regularly (senco@twissgreen.net). Please don't hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher or Mrs Hughes if you have any questions.

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# **Christmas Help and Support**

We recognise that the Christmas break can be challenging for some families for a variety of reasons. Please see the following information for help, support and advice during the festive season.

# **Useful contacts**

### **Citizens Advice Warrington**

Food and pre-payment meter fuel vouchers. Open: 26 - 29 December (emergencies only) 10am to 12 noon Closed: 22 Dec at 1:30pm, 1 Jan Phone: 0808 278 7993 if busy or urgent, email or visit the Gateway.

Email: admin@warrington.cabnet.org.uk Web: warrington-advice.co.uk

Address: the Gateway, 89 Sankey Street, WA1 1SR

### Warrington Open Door at Christmas (WODAC)

Food parcels, hot meals, warm clothing, activities and support. Transport available. Open: 25 Dec to 1 Jan 9:30am – 3:30pm Phone: 01925 568400 Email: hello@wodac.org.uk Web: wodac.org.uk Address: St Johns Church, Wilderspool Causeway, WA4 6QE

### Food network Christmas map Community food help, open over the festive period. Web: warringtonva.org.uk/warrington-foodnetwork

Happy? Ok? Sad? Mental health resources Web: happyoksad.org.uk

#### Warrington Foodbank Main Hub Food parcels for people who are struggling. Vouchers needed from Citizens Advice, GPs, Warrington Wellbeing. Call us how to get a voucher. Open: till 22, 27 to 29 Dec, 2 Jan Closed; 23 - 26, 30 - 31 Dev, 1 Jan Visit the website or call for opening times. Phone: 01925 977630 Email: info@warrington.foodbank.org.uk Web: warrington.foodbank.org.uk Address: Unit 2 Tanning Court (behind DFS, Riverside Retail), WA1 2HF

### Community Shop Bewsey

Community Shop for affordable food, must be on means-tested benefit to become a member.

Open: till 23, 27 - 30 Dec, 2 Jan Closed: 24 - 26, 31 Dec, 1 Jan Phone: 01925 940833 Web: companyshopgroup.co.uk/companyshop/ Address: 8 Bewsey Park Close, Bewsey, WA5 0AN

Warrington Youth Zone Open: Over Christmas and New Year Closed: 25 - 26, 31 Dec, 1st Jan Phone: 01925 977277 Visit: warringtonyouthzone.org/youngpeople/sessions

### Warrington Disability Partnership

Energy Saving Support - Advice on all energy matters, energy saving tips, financial support, grants, home visits. Community Café with Lunch Clubs. Credit Union. Phone: 01925 240064

- Email: E.houghton@disabilitypartnership.org.uk Web: disabilitypartnership.org.uk Address: Centre for Independent Living,
  - Evelyn Street, Warrington, WA5 1BA

### **Holiday Activity and Food**

For children on means-tested Free School Meals, a free nutritious meal and fun activities in the school holidays. For places and dates, sign up online.

Visit: warrington.gov.uk/haf

### Unify credit union Phone: 01942 245656 Web: unifycu.org Money Helper Web: moneyhelper.org.uk Money Saving Expert Web: moneysavingexpert.com Money and debt advice Web: warrington.gov.uk/debt Samaritans 24-7 Helpline Phone: 116 123

# **Merry Christmas!**

We would like to wish all our families and friends a very merry Christmas! We hope you have a lovely break and enjoy the festivities. A reminder that school closes for Christmas at 2.30pm on the 21st December and reopens for the spring term on Thursday 4th January.



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