

Khalsa VA Primary School NEWSLETTER

2nd December 2024

WAHEGURU JI KA KHALSA, WAHEGURU JI KE FATEH

Christmas fundraising – Santa's Grotto and chocolate sale If you would like your child to visit Santa in his Grotto and receive a gift and photograph, please make your payment ASAP! Slots

are filling up fast.

We have had a lot of chocolate coins and selection boxes already donated but we still need more. If you can, please buy a festive chocolate item and bring it into school this week. Our Christmas Chocolate Sale will take place next week to raise much-needed school funds. Please see the attached poster for details of what we need.

Individual parents' meetings – week commencing 9th December

On Tuesday 10th and Thursday 12th December, we will be holding individual parents' meetings from **3.30pm – 6.00pm**. Please sign up for a slot this week – this is an important opportunity for parents to get an update our how their child is doing at school.

Cubs and Scouts - Parents' information meeting

Last week, pupils in KS2 enjoyed an interesting assembly and workshop from our local Scout leaders. This week, parents have the opportunity to find out more at the parents information meeting which we have arranged. If your child is aged 8+, please join us for the meeting.

Location: Small Hall

Date: Thursday 5th December

Time: 2.45pm

Nishkam SWAT - our annual collection

We are happy and proud to announce that we are continuing our collaboration with Nishkam SWAT by supporting their Christmas Rucksack appeal. Nishkam SWAT are an incredible charity who provide food, toiletries, clothing and access to vital services to some of the most vulnerable people in society. We would like to help them by collection items which they can distribute to vulnerable and homeless people in the community. If you can help, please donate items from the attached list. Items can be brought to the school office from today until Friday 13th December.

After School Clubs – finishing this week

Please note that this is the last week for after school clubs. Morning club and wraparound care will continue until the end of term. Please contact the school office if you need to book any wraparound sessions.

Attendance and its effect on pupil attainment

We have noticed a worrying trend in the attendance levels of a small group of pupils. Children who regularly miss school are much more likely to fall behind. If they miss a day every week or even every fortnight, it is very difficult for them to keep up with their peers in learning the basic skills of reading, writing and mathematics. If your child has a significant medical need which is affecting their attendance, please ensure that you have shared this information with the school.

School Admissions

If your child is in Nursery, you must apply online for a Reception place through the Local Authority where you live. **The deadline for applications is 15**th **January.**

https://www.ealing.gov.uk/info/201113/school_admissions/2045/apply_for_primary_school_reception_class_or_infant_to_junior_school_transfer

https://www.hounslow.gov.uk/info/20028/primary_admissions

https://www.khalsaschool.co.uk/admissions-copy/

If you need any support with school admissions, please speak to Ms. Pooni in the office.

Parents' parking

We would like to remind parents in the <u>strongest possible terms</u> that it is <u>absolutely not permitted</u> for you to drive into school and park on our premises. As we are waiting for our barrier to be repaired after a motorist drove into it, we require your support and cooperation in following this simple rule. Do not approach the school gate and ask school staff if you can drive in. Our approach is to treat all parents as equally and fairly as possible and we again politely request that you do not come to us and demand special treatment.

If you, or your child, has a disability and you have a blue badge, please see Ms. Sehmi so that she can make a record of this.





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Stickers for the Golden Rule of 'Working Hard' for the week ending 29th were awarded to the following children:

Year 6:

Guru Gobind Singh Ji – Hazel K. Chawla

Guru Tegh Bahadur Sahib Ji - Sargun K. Khaneja

Year 5:

Guru Harkrishan Sahib Ji – Tanveer S. Arora Guru Har Rai Sahib Ji – Avneet K. Kapoor

Year 4:

Guru Hargobind Sahib Ji – Kiranpreet Kaur

Guru Arjan Dev Ji – Jaison S. Sachdeva

Year 3:

Guru Ram Das Ji – Agamveer S. Samra Guru Amar Das Ji – Ereena K. Hakimzada

Year 2:

Guru Nanak Dev Ji - Hanishka K. Sachdeva

Guru Angad Dev Ji – Sahib Kaur

Year 1:

Sahibzada Ajit Singh Ji – Divleen Kaur Sahibzada Jujhar Singh Ji – Jivek S. Taneja

Reception:

Sahibzada Fateh Singh Ji – Ruhika K. Vadwah Sahibzada Zorawar Singh Ji – Arnav Singh

The 'Golden Rule' for the week beginning 2nd December is 'Remembering God.'

Best Attendance for week beginning 25th November:

MINIMUM TARGET ATTENDANCE: 96%

Sahibzada Zorawar Singh Ji class	90%
Sahibzada Fateh Singh Ji class	83%
Sahibzada Ajit Singh Ji class	93%
Sahibzada Jujhar Singh Ji class	89%
Guru Nanak Dev Ji class	95%
Guru Angad Dev Ji class	94%
Guru Amar Das Ji class	<mark>96%</mark>
Guru Ram Das Ji class	94%
Guru Har Gobind Sahib Ji class	92%
Guru Arjan Dev Ji class	89%
Guru Har Krishan Sahib Ji class	98%
Guru Har Rai Sahib Ji class	93%
Guru Tegh Bahadur Sahib Ji class	95%
Guru Gobind Singh Ji class	<mark>96%</mark>

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Key dates for your diary	
Thursday 5 th December	Parents' session on Cubs and Scouts – 2.45pm in the Small Hall
Friday 6 th December	Mr. Wells' Class Assembly (year 4) at 8.45am in the Main Hall
Week commencing 9th December	Individual parents' meetings (Tuesday and Thursday)
Week commencing 9th December	Christmas fundraising activities
Wednesday 11 th December	Christmas concert – parents of choir children are invited to join us
Friday 13 th December	Year 5 Faith Assembly – Parents and carers are invited to join us in the Darbar Sahib
Friday 13 th December	Christmas jumper day and Christmas lunch
Week commencing 16th December	Char Sahibzade Shaheedi Purab events in school
Friday 20 th December	Last day of term – School finishes at the normal time
Monday 6 th January 2025	Staff Training Day – School is closed to pupils
Tuesday 7 th January 2025	Pupils return to school
15 th January 2025	Reception 2025 admissions deadline

Thought of the week

With meditation, we can have the doors of liberation opened to us by Him.

Remembering Him in mediation, salvation is attained: vibrate and meditate on Him, O my friend

Dhan Hai Guru Tegh Bahadur Saihb Ji