

# Wellhouse Chronicle

Wellhouse J & I School



## Newsletter 4 January 2012

Happy New Year Everyone! It's been a damp and bleak January so far, but hopefully the lighter mornings and evenings will soon start to appear! We've been busy in school with our new theme- 'Making Contact'- and some of our children have already been out on a trip to inspire their learning.

Though it now seems a long time ago, I would just like to say 'thankyou' to the parents and families who supported and attended our various Christmas events and activities.

Since starting at the Federation, I have always followed the same timetable and have spent the same days each week at each school. This has always worked well, but it does mean that there's some lessons/activities that I never get to see happening in each school. So for next week only, (week beginning 30<sup>th</sup> January) I will be swapping my days around and finding out what happens in each school on the days I'm not usually there. My timetable for next week will be:

Monday	a.m. Clough Head	p.m. Wellhouse
Tuesday	Clough Head	
Wednesday	Wellhouse	
Thursday	Clough Head	
Friday	Wellhouse	

Mrs Kenworthy

### IMPORTANT- PARKING

We would like to remind parents to please park safely when dropping off and collecting children. There are some parents who are regularly parking on the yellow zig zag lines and also in the school entrance drive. This drive needs to be kept clear for disabled drivers, deliveries and the emergency services.

The Neighbourhood Policing Team do patrol outside the school from time to time to ensure that parents/carers are complying with parking restrictions and adhering to all aspects of road safety, wearing seatbelts etc. They enforce offences by way of issuing fixed penalty tickets.

Please take note of this reminder- it is in the interests of the safety of all the children at Wellhouse School.

Thankyou.

### Federation Disco

The Federation Disco is on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February at Wellhouse School at 6p.m. Tickets cost £2 per child and this includes a hot dog and drink.

Tickets will be on sale from the school offices from Monday 30<sup>th</sup> January.



### Art Shirts

Has anyone got any old shirts or blouses or aprons at home that you could donate to school for art activities? Any donations will be gratefully received. Thankyou.

### Friends of Wellhouse

Our next Friends of Wellhouse meeting is on *Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> January at 7.30p.m. at The Golcar Lily*. We will be planning and discussing our fund raising events in the coming months.

We would welcome some new faces to join our friendly group- parents, Grandparents, friends- everyone is welcome! If you would like a lift to and from the meeting please let one of the staff know and we will organise it.

#### ***Forthcoming Events:***

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March- Quiz Night

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> April- Car Treasure Hunt

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July- School Fair

More details to follow later!

### Gardening News

Great progress is being made in our new garden at the rear of the school building! James Gill, Lola's Dad, has kindly given up his time and has constructed 3 raised beds in the higher area, with pathways between for easy access. The Gardening Club are looking forward to planting potatoes and other vegetables, fruit and flowers. We have also planted 30 tree saplings, temporarily on the raised area until a more permanent garden plan is made.

We are looking forward to harvesting and eating our own produce later in the year.

#### **Garden Design Competition:**

Some of our older children have been working hard on a design for developing the rest of the area at the rear of the building. This is for a competition being held by Huddersfield Town and Marshalls and last week the children had to present their design to Andy Booth and some representatives from Huddersfield Town and Marshalls. The children represented the school really well and gave a wonderful presentation- now we are just waiting to hear whether we've been successful! The prize is to have our design made into reality by Marshalls!

### Office Reminders

Several children have, on a weekly basis, forgotten their PE kit and/or swimming kit. We do keep spares in school but these do not always get handed back after use. Please ensure that your child has a white t shirt and black shorts in a pump bag on their peg in the cloakroom. Similarly, on Thursdays, please make sure that your child has the correct swimming kit.

Many thanks to parents who continue to pay dinner money, either in advance or on a Monday morning.

### Term Dates 2012

#### Spring Term

Break up on Friday 10 February

Break up on Friday 30 March

Back to school on Tuesday 21 February

Back to school on Monday 16 April

#### Summer Term

Break up on Friday 1 June

Term ends Friday 20 July

Back to school on Monday 11 June

#### Autumn Term

Break up on Friday 26 October

Break up on Friday 21 December

Back to school on Tuesday 4 September

Back to school on Tuesday 6 November

You will receive a holiday list up to July 2013 in the next week via email.

### Diary Dates

Thurs 9 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Federation Disco at Wellhouse, 6p.m.
Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup> Feb	SATs Information Evening for parents of Year 5 and 6 pupils at Clough Head, 6p.m.
Tues 28 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Strictly Pennine Dance Show at LBT
Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup> Mar	Friends of Wellhouse Quiz Night at Wellhouse School
Wed 7 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Class 3 trip to Jodrell Bank Discovery Centre
Wed 14 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Class 1 trip to Eureka
Wed 14 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Literacy Information Evening for Parents- Clough Head School, 6p.m.
Wed 21 <sup>st</sup> Mar	Parent's Evening
Thurs 22 <sup>nd</sup> Mar	Parent's Evening