

# The Westbury Whistler

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## Happy New Year

Welcome to 2016! We hope you had a good Christmas and want to wish all friends of the school a very Happy New Year.

## Christmas Shows



We ended last term on a real high with all four year groups performing a Christmas nativity.

Thank you to all the parents and family that came to watch. The children and staff worked very hard on them and the performances all went very smoothly on the day.



It was great to see all children involved from singing solos, to acting, to helping 'backstage'...we have some real stars at Westbury Juniors!

## Year 5 Trip to Cadbury World



Last term, Year 5 enjoyed a day at Cadbury World as part of our topic on the Aztecs. They have been learning about the use of cocoa beans as currency and how chocolate was brought to Europe.



There was so much to do at Cadbury World including: a 4D cinema; a play area; a journey through an Aztec jungle; an interactive theatre experience; some chocolate tasting (their favourite part!) and a ride in a 'Beanmobile'!

## Diary Dates

- **Monday 25<sup>th</sup> Jan** – Parent Evening for all year groups
- **Monday 25<sup>th</sup> – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> Jan** – Breakfast Week
- **Friday 29<sup>th</sup> Jan** – WOW Day and 3ES visit to the quarry
- **Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> Feb** – Harry Potter Book Night
- **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> Feb** – Times Tables Assembly
- **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> Feb** – MINT afternoon
- **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> Feb** – Last day of term
- **Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb** – First day of term
- **Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> Feb** – WOW Day
- **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> Feb** – Author Visit
- **Monday 29<sup>th</sup> Feb – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March** – Book Week
- **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March** – World Book Day
- **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March** – Mothers' Day Coffee
- **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March** – MINT afternoon
- **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March** – Times Tables Assembly
- **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March** – Science Week
- **Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> March** – WOW Day
- **Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> March** – Last day of term

## Disco

Thank you to all the children who attended our Christmas Disco – we raised over £200 which will go towards buying new books for our class book corners.



## Church Inspection

WJS were pleased to receive the results of our recent SIAMS Church Inspection. The lead inspector had lots of positive things to say about the school and we sent a copy of the report home with every child. The report will also be on the school website, should you wish to take a look.

## Science Dome

Last term, Year 4 and 6 were lucky enough to receive a visit from the Science Dome.

Year 4 enjoyed a presentation on space whilst Year 6 focused on volcanoes.

## Year 4 Rugby

This term, Bath Rugby are running a programme with the whole of Year 4 called 'Tackling Numbers'.

All the children take part in tag rugby sessions and rugby-themed maths sessions with the coaches to show them how maths is everywhere in our lives and help them to improve their maths skills in a fun and active way.

## WJS Christmas Fayre

We decided to try something completely different with our Christmas Fayre this year and handed it over to the children!



To their credit, they did exceptionally well organising and running a wonderful variety of stalls including: selling reindeer food; origami lessons; Minecraft quizzes and, of course, 'guess the name of the teddy'!



Thank you to the parents who also came after school to support us.



## Celebrated Children

- Year 3 have celebrated Mackenzie P, Charlie P, Harvey H, Jack H-G, Sam W and Finlay K
- Year 4 have celebrated Amelia F, Nathan S, Katie G, Hayden B, Morgan C, Kaitlin S, Luke H, Ethan S and Lily S
- Year 5 have celebrated Lucy P, Marley B, Elysia S, Kacey S, Jack C and Alfie M
- Year 6 have celebrated Katie W, Keeleigh S, Vitor V, Aimee D and Hannah K

## Breakfast Week

In the week beginning Monday 25<sup>th</sup>, it is 'Breakfast Week' at WJS.

We will be making some breakfasts with the children and discussing the importance of a healthy start to the day.

## Year 5 Archaeologists

Armed with spades and metal detectors, Year 5 has been discovering Victorian artifacts on the school grounds – we loved our introduction to our new history topic!

