

# MILLWOOD NEWS

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**NEWSLETTER DATE : FRIDAY 23RD NOVEMBER 2018**

## **CHRISTMAS EVENTS 2018**

Please see attached - stick it on the fridge now! We look forward to seeing you at the Christmas shows - Ned's First Christmas - and at our end of term carol concert. ALL families are very welcome.

## **MAKING CHRISTMAS PARTY HATS**

As usual, we ask that you help your child to make a fabulous party hat which they can bring in on the day of the Christmas Dinner - Friday 14 December. It will be kept in class (if it survives) until Christmas party day on Monday 17 December, so it will get some good use. The theme this year is Elves and Reindeer, but please be as creative as you wish - as long as your child is involved in making it. Many thanks.



## **CHRISTMAS DONATIONS**

We have had a lot of calls lately on our school fund. We use school fund to support 'fun' activities for children in school and to provide immediate funding when there is an urgent need. We would really appreciate your support not only at the Christmas Fair and the Christmas raffle, but in supporting our annual Christmas collection which takes place after each of the Christmas shows. I am all too aware that many of you would like to donate at different times, and this is absolutely fine. Please send your donation into school with your child in an envelope marked CHRISTMAS DONATION TO MILLWOOD. Can I take this opportunity to thank many of you who have made donations throughout the year. It does make a difference. Helen.

## **E-SAFETY AND CYBER SAFETY**

It is essential that you supervise your child when accessing internet-based software and games. Make sure you have suitable protection and only use sites which are safe.

## **UPDATE ON 'ATTEMPTED ABDUCTION' IN RADCLIFFE**

Please see below which is good news.

## **SAFEGUARDING INCIDENT UPDATE**

Incidents are now not believed linked and neither are now being treated as attempted child abduction. Detectives investigating two incidents in Bolton and Bury are now treating neither as attempted child abduction.

The first incident took place shortly after 9.40pm on Monday 12 November 2018, when a 14-year-old girl was walking along Lower Southfield towards a ginnel linking to The Pewfist, Westhoughton.

The girl witnessed three people wearing balaclavas jump from a white Transit-style van and run into a nearby housing estate.

Fearing for her safety, she ran to a nearby address and was later safely walked home.

Police are treating the incident as suspicious and are continuing to appeal for information.

In a separate and unconnected incident shortly after 3.40pm on Tuesday 13 November 2018, two 11-year-olds were walking along Spring Lane in Radcliffe when they were engaged in conversation

by a man who got out of a white Transit-style van while it was stopped at traffic lights.

On Wednesday 14 November 2018, three men voluntarily attended a police station in relation to the incident in Radcliffe and continue to assist officers with their enquires.

Anyone with information on the incident in Westhoughton should contact police on 0161 856 8172 or the independent charity Crimestoppers, anonymously, on 0800 555 111.

Phil Spurgeon 11131, Chief Inspector (Operations), Bury Division, Greater Manchester Police

### **BURY FC**

Bury fans have been treated to a goalfest of wonderful strikes in the last few games- long may it continue! It is great to see so many families supporting their local team. UTS.



### **STARS OF THE WEEK**

#### **EYFS/KS1**

Bruno F for settling into school really well, making friends and tolerating his new equipment.

#### **KS1/KS2**

Alex F for wearing his glasses all week in lessons.

**Whitelow 1** have been enjoying reading with our friends during our guided reading sessions. We found "The New Pet" very informative. We had fun exploring the illustrations and learning about what we need to



We all worked very hard during our story session about the little bird learning to fly. We loved exploring all the different sensory props and finding out what they all did.



look after a new pet. We have hopped aboard the numeracy train, numbering our carriages 1-10 and learning lots of number rhymes.

**Whitelow 2** During Road Safety Awareness Week the children have enjoyed learning some new songs that help us to remember how to



keep safe when we're out and about. Then everyone used the new catch phrases when we walked to local places of interest. We even found this fabulous reminder, on the pavements near

school- Stop, Look, Listen, Live. Well done everyone.

**Whitelow 3** We have been extremely busy in class and have enjoyed sensory music sessions, counting songs, sensory light and dark play and lots of work as always on our physical development and communication skills.



**Whitelow 4** have been busy this week!



We practised building tall towers using foam bricks and small blocks. Some of us used junk materials to make rockets. In Cooking, we made salt dough and used cutters to create Christmas ornaments for the Fair!



**Whitelow 5** It has been road safety week this week and Whitelow 5 have been learning all about how to cross the road safely. We watched videos and learnt a song about how to cross the road. Then it was time for us to have a go on a real road. As we approached the road we made sure that we stopped, looked and listened carefully for any cars. Then we walked very carefully across the road. Well done everyone for working so hard to learn this valuable life skill.





### Redvales 1

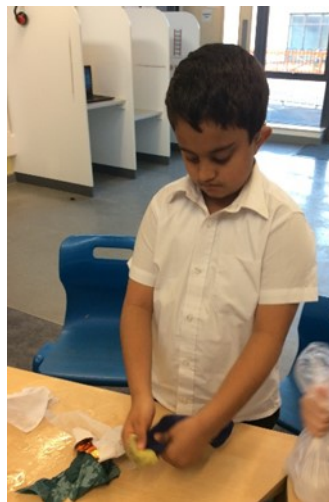
have had a lovely week. We have enjoyed singing songs in maths and starting our rehearsals for the show. We all had a fantastic time in our Twinkleboost session hearing the story of Little Peter Rabbit. We explored all the resources, listening, looking and smelling.



**Redvales 2** We have had a lovely week! We have been learning all about Road Safety and have been looking at pictures of different crossings to cross the road safely. We have listened to songs about Road Safety and have also practised 'Stop' 'Look' and 'Listen' during our Road Safety role play. We have begun practising for the Christmas play too!



**Redvales 3** In Science this week we have been learning about changes between solids and liquids. Rehearsals have begun so prepare to be amazed!



**Redvales 4** This week we have started rehearsing for our Christmas play. We have also been involved in Road Safety week, talking about how we cross the road safely. We went out for a local walk to find safe ways of crossing the road and found a pelican crossing, a zebra crossing and a footbridge. We have been learning directions in maths and looking at maps and map symbols in geography.



**Redvales 5** have been working so hard during Road safety week. We have been learning to Stop, Look, Listen and Think when crossing a road. We also practised these skills on our school Move trail.



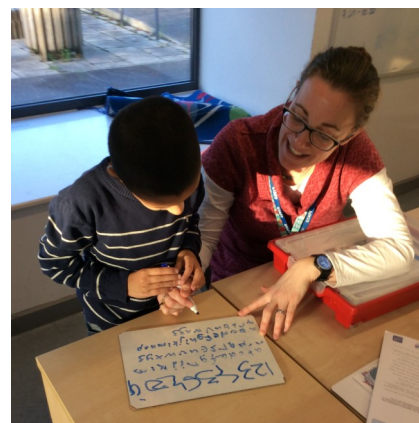
**Irwell 1** have been busy reading this week, we have been reading the story "The Snowman's Party" and continuing to read and explore our individual reading books.



**Irwell 2** have been working hard on our social skills this week. We worked as a group to assemble the train track then really enjoyed sharing the toy train. We have also been working hard on our writing and mark-making, taking part in Write Dance and overwriting activities.



**Redvales 6** have had a fabulous week! We have been very creative and produced some beautiful gifts to sell at the Christmas Fair. We hope you like them! In Community Based Education the children enjoyed participating in a listening walk in the local area. There were lots of interesting sounds on our journey, particularly at the bus station!





**Irwell 3** This week we have been taking part in road safety week and learning how to cross the road safely. We had fun in Irwell 3 making some traffic light biscuits, finding the different coloured smarties to represent the traffic lights and create our own biscuit versions. They were very tasty!



**Irwell 4** We have learnt about road safety this week and have been reminded to 'stop, look, listen and think' before crossing the road. We also continued reading our sensory story "Harry Potter"! We have been writing descriptive sentences and have been mark-making with sensory materials too. We really enjoyed our trip to the cinema where we practised reading and understanding signs in the community.



**Irwell 5** This week we have been learning how to use standard units to measure. We have had lots of fun measuring our friends in metres and centimetres.



**Irwell 6** This week Irwell 6 have been out and about in Radcliffe as part of road safety week. We have been remembering the Green Cross Code and finding safe places to cross near our school.

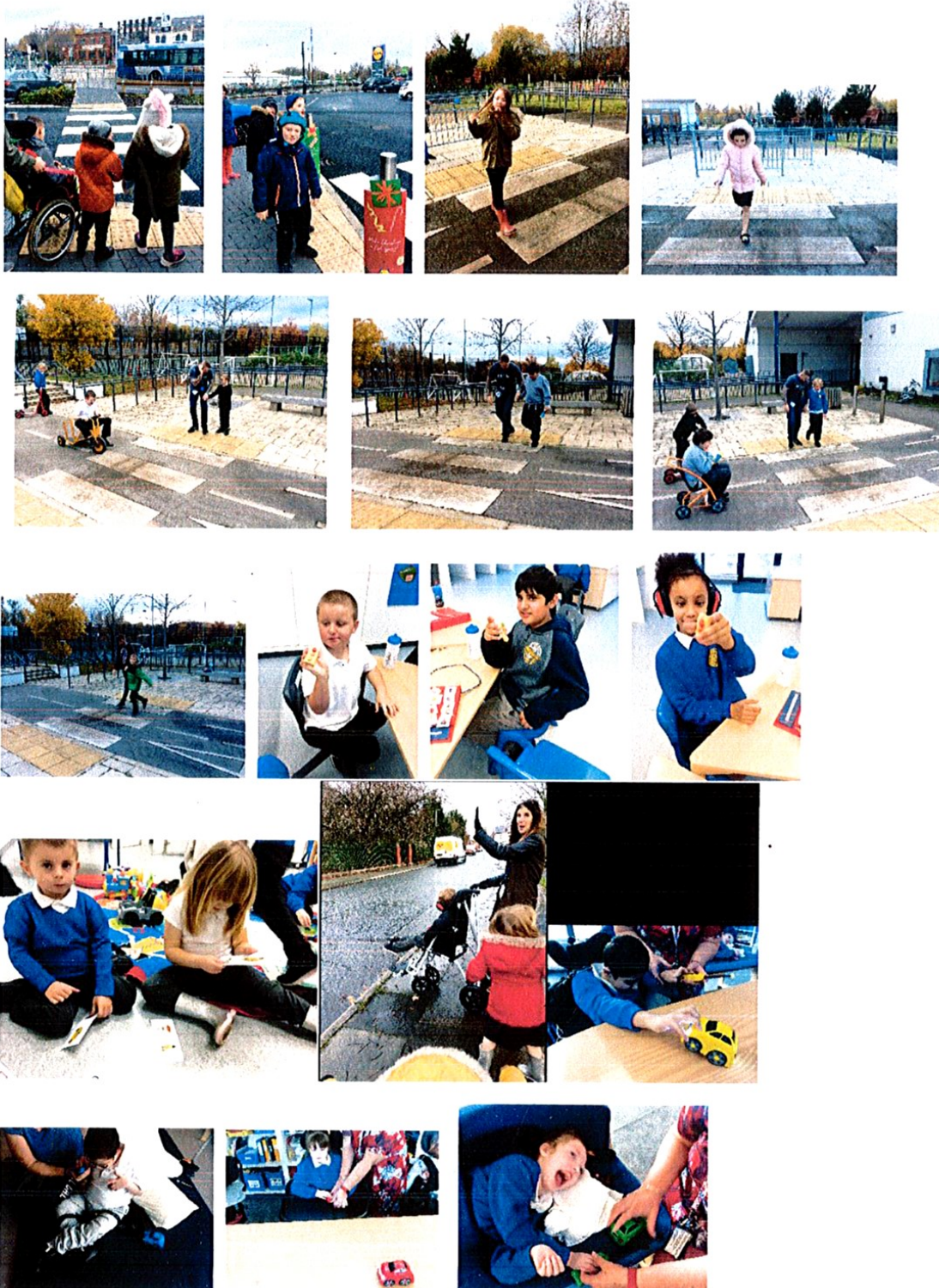




# ROAD SAFETY WEEK

Nationally this week has been Road Safety Week. In school we have been learning about how to Be Safe crossing the road and the different places we can cross the road safely such as pedestrian crossings and zebra crossings.

We have taken part in different activities during the week including, making traffic light biscuits, role play and drama and some Art work designing road safety posters! We have done some brilliant work!





MILLWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Helen Chadwick, Headteacher would like to invite you to our  
Christmas 2018 events



**"Ned's First Christmas"**

Monday 10th December 2018 at 10.00am and Tuesday 11th December 2018 at 10.00am

Please order your tickets as soon as possible.



**Christmas Carol Concert**

Wednesday 19th December 2018 at 10.00am



Best wishes  
Helen Chadwick  
Headteacher