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Everyone learning, everyone caring!

Friday 8th December, 2017

Dear Parents,

Christmas Fair

Donations of cakes are needed for the Cake Stall. If you are able to help please deliver cakes to school office by midday on Monday. Many thanks. We are hoping the fair will be a great success – please support the efforts of staff and ESA in fundraising for the school. Helpers please come and be on a stall.

School Christmas Dinner

The menu for the Christmas Dinner on Thursday 14th December has been sent home this week. Please note there will be a vegetarian option available **but no sandwiches, pasta or jacket potatoes** on this day.

R, Y1, Y2 Production – A Miracle in Town

All tickets have been allocated for the two performances of the production and we are aware that a number of people have been unable to secure all the tickets they requested. If you find that you cannot use any of the tickets allocated to you please let the school office know, even on the day of the production, so that they can be offered to those on the waiting list. Thank you. We are doing our best to accommodate everyone.

Who is picking up your child from school?

We have had several concerns about children being picked up from school by adults we don't know. Staff will challenge these adults and seek assurance that they are indeed safe to take your child. **To save any difficulty, if you are asking another relative or carer to pick up your child from school, please call the school first of all to tell us who that person is so that we are sure they are entitled to do so.**

Christingle Service

The service is at All Saints Church at 10.30 a.m. this Sunday. Apart from the collection candle boxes which we have given out to those taking part in school, all materials for the Christingles will be provided by the church. We do not expect children to wear school uniform on this occasion.

Attendance

This week the best attendance was in Year 1 (Owls) with 98.67%. Well done!! Overall attendance last week was 95.37%, which is below target. Every day is important in school, even at Christmas time. Teachers will be teaching the full curriculum right up to the end of the term, so children need to be here every day. Regular attendance supports your child's learning!

Class		Attendance
Robins	Reception	90%
Owls	Year 1	98.67%
Swans	Year 2	96.67%
Magpies	Year 3	95.71%
Kestrels	Year 4	95%
Kingfishers	Year 5	97.19%
Eagles	Year 6	94.33%

Achievement awards

Good to be green: all of Year 6 for their hard work this week; Taylor Maycroft, Isabelle Burton, Sahara Rose, Harley Lunn, Deacon Barnes, Fletcher Wabe, Lily Hunt, Archie Summers, Macey Barnes, Olivia Quince, Jake Gibson and Tiffany Clark. Well done.

Learning awards: Rylee Shaw, Florence-May Cooper, Lanalilly Stickwood, Oliver Reader, Summer Cox and Oscar Rolfe. Well done.

Lexia awards: Aaron Tegerdine, Teja Bucmyte, Lewis Johnson, Kala Cicek, Kieran Wakefield, Lana-Mai Smith, Thomas Ryan, Luke Loveridge and Roman Lovell. Well done!

Pen licences: McKenzie Burton.

Parent consultation evenings

It was good to see so many parents for consultation on Wednesday and Thursday. If you did not manage to get here, please call the school and make an appointment to see your child's class teacher before the end of term. Thank you. If you have not completed this term's parent survey, there are still copies and a collection box in the school foyer outside the office. We value your views.

Collective worship

Next week we are continuing to think about Advent as we wait for Christmas to come.

Christmas Disco: Wednesday 13th December

5.30 – 6.30 p.m. – Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3

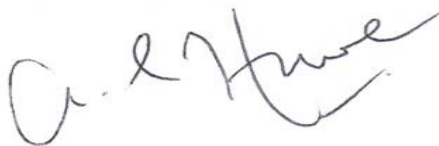
6.45 – 8 p.m. – Years 4, 5 and 6.

Entry £3 – includes a drink and a gift for each child. There will be a tuck shop; glow sticks on sale at £1. If you can help you will be welcomed with open arms!

Dates for the diary

- Christingle Service at All Saints Church at 10.30 a.m. Please support his service – we have special Children' Society collection candles available from the office if you are going to the service.
- Christmas Fair – 3.30 p.m. on Monday 11th December.
- Christmas Service at All Saints Church – 10 a.m. on Tuesday 12th December.
- Our Christmas performances from Robins, Owls and Swans classes will be on Wednesday 13th and Thursday 14th December at 2 p.m. in the afternoon. The nativity play is called "A miracle in town".
- Christmas Jumper day Friday 15th December – raising funds for Save the Children Fund.
- We break up for Christmas on Friday 15th December.
- Back to school on Wednesday 3rd January 2018.

Yours sincerely,



Headteacher

