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Friday Flier



Christmas Fayre

Thank you to all of you who supported this event by either helping with the preparations, running a stall or attending on the day. Once the figure is finalised we will let you know the total amount raised. A big thank you to all members of the PTFA who worked hard to ensure this annual event was, as usual, a great success and a really enjoyable event for many families. Please check the PTFA notice board to see if you have won a raffle prize. *Competition winners will be announced next week.*

Reminder: Christmas Forest School "Winter Wonderland"

Please come long to the forest on your child's day, explore the forest, enjoy a hot chocolate (plain 70p with cream and marshmallows £1 - available in the Learning Lodge), sit by the fire and leave with a special gift.

Year R parents can visit the forest shop on: **Monday 10 December at 3.20pm**Year 1 parents can visit the forest shop on: **Tuesday 11 December at 3.20pm**Year 2 parents can visit the forest shop on: **Wednesday 12 December at 3.20pm**

We would like to invite you into our forest where you can search for your child's decoration and make a minimum donation of £1 to purchase it. The money raised from the shop will be spent ensuring the spring term Forest School afternoon sessions continue and are as exciting as they have been this term.

Please pick your child up as normal and then walk round to the forest together.

Musical experience CDs - available at Christmas Forest School

As a snapshot of the many memorable performances and musical experiences shared by our children we will have taster CDs available with contributions from all children. We are suggesting a minimum donation of £2.00 to cover the cost of the packaging. These will be available from the Learning Lodge after school on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Christmas Markets: Taking place next week

The PTFA are really short of helpers for the markets next week. They require help with wrapping the presents and acting as personal shoppers. We always welcome volunteers. If you are able to help, please sign up on the lists in the school office. Markets are taking place as follows:

- Year 1: Monday 10 December 9:00am 11:30am
- Year 2: Tuesday 11 December 9:00am 11:30am
- Year R: Wednesday 12 December 9:00am 11:30am

You should have already have returned your child's list of who they are buying presents for, together with the appropriate money - £1 per present. If you have not done this, please can you do so as a matter of urgency to avoid disappointed and upset children.

On Monday please provide your child with a **named carrier bag** in which the gifts they have selected can be carried home. The children will take this with them when they "go shopping".

Children who are absent on the day of the market will be taken to the market on the next day if they wish to do some shopping.

Christmas Lunch: Tuesday 18 December

As the majority of our children already have a free school lunch, we will not be asking you to pre-order. The children will order their Christmas lunch in class, on the day. The menu will be as follows:

Roast Turkey with sausage, stuffing ball and gravy or Quorn fillet with vegetarian sausage, stuffing ball and gravy. They will be served with roast potatoes, garden peas and carrots. The dessert will be chocolate ice cream or a Satsuma. The PTFA will be providing **all** children with a Christmas cracker, regardless of whether they have a school lunch or not.

Please make a note of this date so that your child does not miss this celebratory lunch served by the staff! No other lunch options will be available on this day.

Christmas Cards

These were sent home earlier this week. Please check your child's book bag. Thank you for supporting this fundraising project. We raised £233 which will go towards our library refurbishment.

Year 2 Christingle Rehearsals and Performances

We will be walking the children to the church on both Monday 10 December and Tuesday 11 December to rehearse our Christingle Service. On Monday we will be leaving 9.00am and will be returning to school in time to have lunch. On Tuesday we will be leaving school at 1.15pm and will be returning in time for you to collect your child at the normal time. The services will take place on Thursday 13 December at 9.45am and on Friday 14 December at 2.00pm. Children may be collected after the service from the church hall on the afternoon of Friday 14 December.

(If your child has a medical appointment during this time and you need to collect them, please inform your child's class teacher.)

We still need some help to walk the children to the church for the rehearsals and performances. If you are able to help on any of the days listed above, please can you let your child's teacher know.

Thank vou

Further to our recent request for a donation of a Christmas Tree, Lawrence Clarke Limited, Financial Advisers, came to our aid and we were lucky enough to receive this lovely tree. We would like to say a big thank you to them for their generosity.

No Choir next week: This club has now finished

Due to our Forest School Event taking place after school on Monday 10 December there will no Choir next week. This club has therefore finished for this term and will start again on Monday 14 January 2019.

Clubs finishing next week:

Football Club: The last session will be on Wednesday 12 December.

Nightingales Reading Club

If your child attends this club, please note that the last session will be Thursday 07 December and will restart on Monday 07 January 2019.

Legacy Sports Club: The last session will be on Thursday 07 December

Dance

The last dance club session will be on Monday 10 December and parents are invited to watch from 3.45pm. Please wait outside the main reception and someone for the club will come and get you when the children are ready.

Library Books

The children will not be bringing library books home. This will resume after the Christmas break.

Reporting Absence

A reminder that as well as telephoning the school, you can also report your child's absence via a company called Studybugs which enables you to go online via a phone or computer to report your child's absence securely. To get the free Studybugs app, or register on their website go to (https://studybugs.com/about/parents). If your child is unwell it is your responsibility to inform the school of this.

Forest School Sessions: Week 1

Next week Blackbirds' Class will have forest school on Wednesday afternoon and Kingfishers' Class on Thursday Morning and Eagles' class on Thursday afternoon. Please can you ensure that you send in their forest school clothing. A reminder that we have aligned your child's class with the lunch week menu.

Lunch Menu

Next Week's Menu will be: Week 1. Please click on the following link to access the menu online: menu. Paper copies are on the notice boards by the North Door and the South Door and in Wagtails' Class window.

Yours sincerely

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