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Newsletter
22nd November 2016

Thought for the day: 'Be more concerned with your character than your reputation, because your character is what you really are, while your reputation is merely what others think you are.' - John Wooden

Christmas Newsletter

With this newsletter, you should find our Christmas newsletter containing details of all our Christmas events.

Christmas Fayre, Saturday 10th December, from 11 - 3pm

This year the Xmas Fayre is being held on Saturday 10th December, from 11am - 3pm. There will be the usual mix of external stalls and school run stalls. We have a large number of external stalls attending this year, providing a range of different Christmas crafts, present ideas, children's toys and games. Back, by popular demand, is the Children's shop and the Santa's grotto! We will also be selling refreshments, including pulled pork and apple baps and mulled wine! So please come along for a browse around the stalls and a festive lunch!

We need volunteers to help set up, run stalls and clear up afterwards. If you are able to spare 30mins on the day, then please let your class rep know, sign up on the doodle poll on the Facebook page or speak to Mrs Drury or Mrs Wood!



Wear a Christmas Jumper Day on Friday 9th December

The day before our PSA Christmas Fayre, will be a non-uniform day. So, in return for a donation for our bottle tombola*, pupils can come to school that day wearing a Christmas jumper! The staff might be persuaded to do so, too!

*All types of bottles are welcome as donations, alcoholic and otherwise.

Children get ready for Christmas productions

Rehearsals for the Christmas productions are in full swing at the moment.

On Thursday 1st December, tickets will go on sale at the school office for those that wish to attend. The number of pupils in school has increased to a point where it is not possible to have the whole school on the stage at the same time, so please note that, like last year, the Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 will have separate performances from Key Stage 2. There will be a small charge for attendance at these performances - 50p for children of primary school age and £2.00 for everyone else. A raffle will be drawn for a Christmas hamper at the final evening performance. Tickets for this hamper raffle, which cost £1.00 per strip, will be available at all performances and will also be on sale in the school office.

Wednesday 14th December, 2pm and 6.30pm, Nursery to Year 2

Thursday 15th December, 2pm and 6.30pm, Years 3 to 6

Christmas lunch - Tuesday 13th December

Christmas lunch will take place on Tuesday 13th December. Mrs Arnold needs to order supplies early and, to do this, she needs to have an idea of lunch numbers in advance. Please note that there will be only two options on that day, a Christmas lunch (Red band) and a vegetarian option (Green band). It will be assumed that all pupils will have the Christmas lunch, unless you inform us otherwise. Please advise the school office, as soon as possible, if you would like your child to have the vegetarian option (Quorn fillet) or a home packed lunch.

If your child does not normally eat school lunches, but you would like them to have Christmas lunch, it will be fine for them to order on the day. However, if they have an allergy or intolerance to any foods, please contact the school office immediately. You will need to complete a form, giving details of the allergy or intolerance, to ascertain whether a modified meal can be provided for them. This will need to be completed by this Friday.

Important clubs information

Owing to the increasingly poor autumn light, this Friday will be the very last day for all sports clubs. However, Friday 9th December will be the last day for all the remaining clubs, except choir and homework club, which take place at lunchtime.

Sports News

Last Thursday, our Boys' football team won their Wix Cup Quarter Final match, putting in an impressive performance to beat Weston 3-2. In an incredibly close contest, Purwell twice came from behind to progress to the Semi-Finals. Many thanks to all the pupils and parents who came along to provide such wonderful support. It is the first time in many years that a Boys' team from Purwell has reached the latter stages of the Wix Cup Competition, and we congratulate them on their achievement.

Last Tuesday, our netball team braved the wind and rain to play a match against Samuel Lucas. Despite trailing 6-2 after the first two quarters, the team showed great resilience and determination and, thanks to some wonderful handling, footwork and shooting in the last two quarters, secured a thrilling 6-6 draw. Well played to all of the team and to parents who came along to support.

Our netball teams have now completed their fixtures for this term, but we do still have a busy final week of football fixtures ahead of us. Today, we are taking two Girls' teams to Wilshere-Dacre and, on Thursday, two Boys' teams will be playing at Highover. We also hope to schedule the Boys' Wix Cup Semi-Final for next week - look out on Twitter for further details.

We are incredibly proud of all of the pupils who have represented our school teams so far this year. It has been wonderful to see the continual improvement in the performances of our teams, building on the rapid progress we have made with our PE provision in the past few years. Our sincere thanks must go to Miss Dear and Mr Hart, who have put in tireless hard work to support our teams over the course of this term.

Midday Supervisor - Recruiting

The school needs to recruit midday supervisors to work anything from one to five days per week. The hours are 11.55 a.m. to 1.05 p.m. Duties include supervising pupils in the dining room and on the playground. The rate of pay is £7.52 per hour. Why not think about joining our friendly lunchtime team?

Display of the Week



Willow Class's Great Fire of London display is complete with diary writing, research and a number of larger Tudor buildings, which are soon to be going up in smoke. Just like the original did, in 1666.