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Newsletter
12th December 2018

Thought for the week: "He who has not Christmas in his heart will never find it under a tree." Roy L. Smith

Children get ready for Christmas productions

Rehearsals for the Christmas productions are in full swing at the moment. From today, tickets are on sale at the school office for those who 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 - £1 for children of primary school age and £3.00 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 19th December, 2pm and 6.30pm, Nursery to Year 2

Thursday 20th December, 2pm and 6.30pm, Years 3 to 6

Christmas lunch - Wednesday 12th December

Christmas lunch will take place tomorrow. Please note that there will be only two options, 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 have informed us otherwise. You should have already advised the school office, if you would like your child to have the vegetarian option (vegetable wellington) or a home packed lunch.

Last assembly of the year on Friday 21st December

Everyone is welcome to join us, at 1.20pm, for our Award Assembly, where we will end the term with award certificates and some festive singing. Term will end at 2.00pm that day.

Clubs for Spring term

There will be no clubs in the first two weeks of the Spring Term. A letter about clubs will be issued, after Christmas, stating that most clubs will continue as they are, with their current membership, for the duration of the Spring term.

Keeping children's images safe on the internet - Educational Workshop for parents

On Wednesday 30th January, parents are invited to come into school to take part in a workshop designed to educate parents of the risks to children posed by social media and the internet, more generally. A group called PHASE will be delivering this event, which is timed for an evening, as it is anticipated more parents will be available to attend an evening session.

PHASE will be delivering another workshop tailored to Year 6 pupils. At this one, pupils will be informed about the very latest risks posed to them by social media and the internet, more widely.

The dates are as follows:

Year 6 workshop - Tuesday 29th Jan, 1-3pm

Parents' workshop - Wednesday 30th Jan, 7:30-8:30pm

Until then, you can find a range of useful E-Safety information on the school's website, under Parents' Information.

School closures - Winter 2018/19

As part of the school's planning for emergencies, parents are reminded that incidents that necessitate school closure include such things as extreme weather and loss of essential electrical, water or heating services. Details of school closures will be texted to parents via Schoolcomms. They will also be displayed on the front page of the school website and on Twitter.

On days when the weather conditions are poor, but the school is open, parents are advised to walk to school, if possible, and, for those driving, it is advisable to park on Purwell Lane or Kingswood Avenue and walk the remainder. We hope you appreciate that the decision to close is never made lightly, as the safety and welfare of our children, school staff and parents/carers is of paramount importance, and no one would like to see this compromised.

School Office

Tuesday 18th December is the last day that money can be paid into the school office this term. This includes dinner money. It is also the last day that uniform can be purchased.



We are very thankful to the PSA for funding this lovely Christmas tree for the school.

Term ends on Friday 21st December at 2.00pm

Merry Christmas to you all



Spring Term begins for pupils on Tuesday 8th January 2019

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