



MEADOW LANE INFANT SCHOOL



NEWSLETTER - 14 DECEMBER 2015

I can't quite believe that we are in the last week before Christmas - it goes so quickly! The Reception children did an excellent job in their performances - and we are looking forward to the Yr 1 & Yr 2 Panto performances this week. I would also like to congratulate the choir on their great performances at Tesco, Richmond Court and the Christingle - wow! Thank you also for your kind comments following Carols in the Playground this was a great success and we very much appreciate your support. We still have Jeffrey Jumper and the Christmas Party to look forward to!!

CHRISTMAS FAYRE - Thank you to all the parents/carers and friends of Meadow Lane who helped to make this year's Christmas Fayre such a fantastic success. There were so many of you involved that I cannot thank you all personally, but without your incredible support and generosity our annual fund raising event would be unable to take place. All of you who attended, donated and made cakes etc are part of this and you should be extremely proud of yourselves!! We have finally counted all the money raised from the Christmas Fayre and I am delighted to inform you that with all your help we raised £1,286.75 which will be used towards the development of the playground. Thank you again to everyone involved. A big thank you to Clare Chapman & Julie Fearn who took the lead roles in organising the fayre.

Raffle Prizes

1st Prize - Pamper Hamper - Al Porter

2nd Prize - Luxury food basket - Miss Hodkin

Plus 20 other prize winners who have all been informed.

Lucky Programme Draw - Kathryn Britton

Guess the Name of the Elephant 'Rosie' - Lila Ellis (Class 5)

Guess the Number of Sweets - (Prize claimed)

CHRISTMAS PARTY - Reminder that this will be held on Friday 18 December 2015. As mentioned previously - we will be asking for donations towards this on the day of the party. Children to come to school in their 'party clothes' and stay in them all day - we will also be getting a visit from a very special person!

CHOIR - Reminder that following the Choir session this Thursday, parents of choir children are invited to come and watch a short performance at 4.00 pm. Choir will restart in the new year on Thursday 14 January 2016.

SING-A-LONG AT COLLEGE HOUSE - we will be joining College House for a Christmas Sing-a-long at 9.30 am on Friday 18 December - we need some parents to help walk to and from this event - leaving Meadow Lane at 9.15 am and College House at approximately 10.30 am.

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SPRING TERM AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS - Please find attached a summary of the planned 2016 Spring Term After School Clubs.

APPEAL - We are delighted to inform you that with your kind donations we raised £101.35 for this year's poppy appeal.

ATTENDANCE - During the first week of the new term we will be presenting certificates to all those children who have achieved 100% attendance in the Autumn Term. This is a magnificent achievement and we are pleased to be able to reward the children in this way.

GO KARTING - Kate Cockram, one of our parents has asked us to let you know about Karting for children - details attached.

CHRIST CHURCH PRE-SCHOOL VACANCY - We have been asked by Christ Church pre-school to let our parents know about the following vacancy - please contact them direct if you are interested or want any further information:-

Pre-school Assistant level 3

Due to an increase in numbers next term we are looking to employ a part time assistant. Salary based on experience. Term time only. Must have relevant, recognised level 3 in early years. Knowledge of key worker responsibilities is essential. Previous experience in a similar role preferred. Duties will include all aspects of assisting in a pre-school as required. Successful applicants are required to provide an enhanced disclosure, expense will be met by employer.

Closing date 12th January 2016. Interviews week commencing 18th January 2016.

Please visit our website www.christchurchhallpre-school.org.uk for the job description and application form.

READING - The children will be sent home with reading books to keep them going over the holidays. Keep reading regularly and remember to write in the reading diaries. Please return any school books you find at home. **PLEASE SEND BACK ANY SCHOOL LIBRARY BOOKS THAT YOU HAVE AT HOME SO THAT WE CAN AUDIT OUR STOCK. WE WILL START THE LIBRARY UP AGAIN IN THE NEW YEAR.**

REMINDERS

Please return any outstanding nativity costumes/spare clothes after Christmas.

Can you also check at home for clothes borrowed when your child has been changed and also if your child is ill in school please remember to take any soiled clothes home! Thanks

And finally..... The staff would like to thank you all for your support this term. It has been very busy as usual but the children have continued to behave well and have joined in everything with great enthusiasm! On a personal note, I would like to thank all the staff at school for their combined hard work and commitment and for helping to make Meadow Lane the special place it is. I hope you all have a lovely Christmas and a peaceful New Year. Take care over the holidays and we will see you all on **TUESDAY 5 JANUARY 2016.**

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FUTURE DIARY DATES - A final timetable of events is given below for this term with a few dates included for January - we will include other dates on the first newsletter of the new year.

| DATE | EVENT | Details/Letter already sent (if applicable) |
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| Tue 15 Dec | Yr 1 & Yr 2 Panto - 10.00 am | ✓ |
| Tue 15 Dec | Jeffrey Jumper Magician | |
| Wed 16 Dec | Yr 1 & Yr 2 Panto - 2.00 pm | ✓ |
| Thurs 17 Dec | School Choir to perform to parents in school - 4.00 pm | ✓ |
| Fri 18 Dec | Christmas Party | <i>See Above</i> |
| Fri 18 Dec | Final day in school - break up for Christmas holidays | ✓ |
| Tue 5 Jan | Pupils return after Christmas holiday | ✓ |
| <i>Fri 8 Jan</i> | <i>Yr 2 visit to Nottingham Ice Arena</i> | ✓ |
| <i>Mon 11 Jan</i> | <i>1st Yr 2 After School Computer Club</i> | ✓ |
| <i>Tue 12 Jan</i> | <i>1st Spring Term Yr 2 Lets Get Cooking</i> | ✓ |
| <i>Thur 14 Jan</i> | <i>Choir re-starts after Xmas</i> | ✓ |
| <i>Fri 15 Jan</i> | <i>Meadow Lane Family Film Evening</i> | |
| <i>Thur 21 Jan</i> | <i>Yr 1 visit to Velodrome/Derby County F.C.</i> | |
| <i>Fri 22 Jan</i> | <i>Whole School Coffee Afternoon</i> | |