



Christmas preparations in school are beginning and the children are getting very excited. The next three weeks are going to be very busy in school and we are all looking forward to the celebrations.

CHILDREN IN NEED - Thanks again for your brilliant support with your help we raised £248.20.



CHRISTMAS POST - Our Christmas Post Box will be located in the main entrance to school with effect from Monday 5 December 2016, for the children to post Christmas Cards to their friends. The box is emptied each day by one of the classes and the cards distributed around school. Therefore, as well as including a name on the envelope, can you also include the relevant class number. Our Eco team has made a suggestion that you may wish to send just one card to the whole class instead of individual ones, obviously it is your choice, but they wanted us to pass on their idea.

CHRISTMAS DINNER - The children will be having their Christmas Dinner at school on Wednesday 14 December 2016 and the menu is as follows: -

Turkey, Stuffing, Chipolata Sausage (Vegetarian Option is Quorn Roast)
Roast & Mashed Potatoes & Gravy
Carrots & Sprouts
Christmas Pudding & Custard

Obviously if your child does not want a Christmas Dinner they may bring a packed lunch.

DESIGN A CHRISTMAS CARD - The winners who were given their prizes last week were:

Reception - 1 st Prize: Elli Repton	Reception - 2 nd Prize: Finley Brown
Year 1 - 1 st Prize: Leo Shaw	Year 1 - 2 nd Prize: Ella Mai Jackson
Year 2 - 1 st Prize: Amelia Hickling	Year 2 - 2 nd Prize: William Green

CRAFTS FOR CHRISTMAS - Thanks again for supporting this event - everyone who attended had a great evening - thanks to Mrs Allcoat for organising everything.

CHRISTMAS FAYRE - Thank you for all the contributions received so far for this year's Christmas Fayre they are very much appreciated. However, we are still desperate for the following items: bottles, cakes/mince pies (either home made or bought). Please also remember to return any raffle tickets to make sure they are put in the draw on Friday - please see the notice board for prizes. We are also short of volunteers to help set up and/or help on the night - please contact the office if you can help. Finally, where possible can you please walk to this event as there is obviously limited parking in the Beekeeper car park and we do not want anyone to be issued with parking fines - thank you.

CHRISTMAS PARTY - This year's Christmas Party is being held on the last day of term (Tuesday 20 December) and we will once again be providing all the party food. The children may come to school in their party clothes and stay in them all day. We will have a variety of party games and also a visit from a very special person! On the Friday before (Friday 16 December the staff will be taking part in Christmas Jumper Day in aid of Save the Children - obviously the children are also welcome to wear their Christmas Jumpers if they wish. If you wish to make a donation for either or both of these events we will have some collection baskets in each classroom on both days - thank you.

READING PHOTOGRAPHS - To further promote the enjoyment of reading we are planning to make a display of the children reading their books, comics etc in unusual places. Therefore, if you wish to take part please send in a photograph of your child reading in an unusual place - anywhere you like the funnier the better. We will then include the photographs on a display in school and prizes awarded to the most unusual, funny or original setting.

TEXTING SERVICE - Although we regularly text you from school, can you please not use this service to reply to us. If you do need to contact us please ring or email - thanks very much.

MIDDAY SUPERVISORS - We are currently short of Midday Supervisors to work over the lunchtime period from 11.45 am to 1.15 pm. If you think you may be interested and would like more information please call at the office.

FUTURE DIARY DATES - A timetable of events is given below for this term. Further details (including times) will be sent nearer the actual date of the event which will involve all classes (unless stated otherwise). Any additions or alterations from the previous newsletters are shown in ***bold and italic***.

DATE	EVENT	Details/Letter already sent (if applicable)
Thur 1 Dec	Choir singing at Richmond Court - 10.00 am	✓
Fri 2 Dec	Xmas Fayre - 5.30 pm to 7.00 pm	✓
Wed 7 Dec	Yr 1 children in Class 3 & Class 4 visit to Panto at Derby Arena	✓
Thur 8 Dec	Reception Nativity Performance - 10.00 am	✓
<i>Thur 8 Dec</i>	<i>Choir visit to Sainsbury's & Tesco</i>	✓
Fri 9 Dec	Reception Nativity Performance - 2.00 pm	✓
Mon 12 Dec	Christingle (Choir children)	
Mon 12 Dec	Classes 1, 2 & 7 to Newstead Abbey	✓
Wed 14 Dec	Christmas Dinner Day	See above
Thur 15 Dec	Widow Twankey's Winter Panto Party - 10.00 am (Yr 1 & Yr 2 performance)	✓
Thur 15 Dec	<i>Choir singing at Chilwell Memorial Hall - 1.00 pm - ** Now Cancelled **</i>	
Thur 15 Dec	Jeffrey Jumper Magician Christmas Performance- 2.00 pm	
<i>Thur 15 Dec</i>	<i>Final Choir Practice for this year (with short performance for parents at 4.15 pm)</i>	✓
Thur 15 Dec	Carols in the Playground with the Salvation Army Band 6.00 to 7.00 pm	
Fri 16 Dec	Widow Twankey's Winter Panto Party - 2.00 pm (Yr 1 & Yr 2 performance)	✓
<i>Fri 16 Dec</i>	<i>Christmas Jumper Day in aid of Save the Children - (Staff & Children welcome to wear their Christmas Jumpers - with donations to Save the Children)</i>	See above
Tue 20 Dec	Christmas Party Day	See above
Tue 20 Dec	Final day in school - break up for Christmas holidays	✓