

# AUTUMN NEWSLETTER - 30th November, 2018

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Don't forget to check our updated website and blog for information about your child's learning in school and important dates

# BE AWARE! Don't book any holidays!

<u>All</u> unauthorised absence will be subject to Hampshire County Council Attendance Policy - please see school website for details. Penalty fines <u>WILL BE ISSUED</u> for any unauthorised absence that meets the criteria. Every child should be in school **EVERY** day.

Please note that any time taken off during the following dates will automatically result in a fine:

YEAR 2 - SATs - throughout May

YEAR 1 - PHONICS - week in June (date to be advised)

Please **DO NOT** book any holiday during these times.

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a wet, windy week it has been! The children have managed to get outside for most playtimes despite the weather which we are all pleased about - they have so much energy!

We are beginning the preparations for Christmas. The Christmas tree is up in the hall and some children will be helping me to decorate it on Monday. We have been practising the songs for our KS1 'Wriggly Nativity' performance and hopefully <u>all the costumes will be in school by Monday</u>. Our Advent Service on Monday for Years 1 and 2 children will be the official start of Christmas in school. We have lots of Christmas activities planned for the forthcoming weeks. Happy weekend,

Nicky Cowcher

30th November, 2018

# FRIENDS preparation for Christmas Fayre Non-Uniform Day - FRIDAY 7TH DECEMBER

Please send the children in non uniform to school on Friday in return for items for the Christmas Fayre tombola:

Year 2 - please contribute bottles

Year 1 - please contribute biscuits

Year R - please contribute sweets

FRIENDS' representatives will be collecting your donations on Friday morning.

# \*\* HELP - Years 1 and 2 Parents, Walk to Church \*\*

We need a few parents to help us walk to St. Anne's Church on Monday (3rd December), leaving school just after 1pm, for our advent service. The service is just for the children as space is so limited but if you are able to help us walk up and back of course you are welcome to stay. Please let the office know on Monday morning if you are able to help.

#### ATHLETICS TEAMS - GOOD LUCK

Our Athletics teams will be competing against other New Forest schools at Testwood School on Saturday. Mrs. Willes and Mrs. Cowcher will be there to cheer our teams on!

#### CHRISTMAS FAYRE - FRIDAY 14TH DEC, 2-4pm

Don't miss your chance to support our school by joining us for the Christmas Fayre - there will be a variety of stalls, an opportunity for photos with Santa, games, tombola etc.



#### CAR PARK DANGER !!

If you drive to school and use the Community Centre Car Park, could I ask you to help keep our children safe before and after school by only parking in marked parking bays. There have been several "near misses" recently as parents and children have had to negotiate their way around cars parked in 'no parking' and unmarked areas.

## **DINNER LADY VACANCY**

We have a vacancy for a dinner lady, 12.00-1.00pm every day. We are looking for someone kind and nurturing to help our children eat their lunches and keep them safe at playtime. If you are interested, or you know someone who is, please contact Julie/Jenny at the school office.

#### Governor in School

Dr. Chris Prior, our school governor with responsibility for safeguarding, came into school this morning. He visited classes to see phonics teaching and learning and spoke to new members of staff about the induction process. We are very fortunate to have Governors who play such an active role in school.

#### Thank You Year R Parents

Thank you to the Year R parents who came to help us walk up to the church on Monday and for their help and support on their trip to Hilliers last week. We couldn't do our visits without you.

## REMINDERS FOR NEXT WEEK

Monday - please make sure your child has brought their Christmas Production costume into school in a named bag.

<u>Monday</u> - Years 1 & 2 Advent Service at St. Anne's Church. Helpers needed to walk with the children. <u>Please let the office know on Monday morning if you are able to help.</u>

 $\underline{\text{Wednesday}}$  - Secret Santa presents for sale - £2.50 per gift. Please send money in a named envelope on the day with a note on the envelope stating who the gift is for.

Friday - Non uniform day in exchange for items for the tombola (see section on front page for Year Group items).

#### CHILDREN IN NEED

I am pleased to let you know that our Children in Need collection final total was £212.54.



# Thank you Madame Bond

A big 'Thank You' to Madame Bond for providing our Year R children with a delicious French Café! The children ate French bread, croissant, camembert and chocolat.







# WELL DONE CERTIFICATES

Ducklings	Penguins	Goldfinches	Owls	Swallows	Robins
Rocco	Lacey	Freia	Harry	Jack	Jess
Scarlett	Natasha	Maya	Lacey	Lily	Max

# <u>ATTENDANCE</u>

Week: 19-23.11.2018

 Penguins
 97.0%

 Ducklings
 97.7%

 Goldfinches
 96.2%

 Owls
 95.2%

 Swallows
 96.7%

 Robins
 98.6%

Whole School

Attendance: 96.9% (The Government expect 96%)

# DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES PLEASE NOTE THAT NEWLY ADDED DATES ARE UNDERLINED

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Mon 3rd	Years 1 & 2 - Advent Service at St. Anne's Church - Just for children as space so limited
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Wed 5th Secret Christmas Presents for sale—£2.50 per gift (money in named envelope on the day)
Fri 7th Non uniform day in exchange for tombola items - Yr2 - bottles; Yr1 - Biscuits; YrR - Sweets

Mon 10th 9.30 Dress Rehearsal of Years 1 & 2 Christmas Production - opportunity for <u>pre school children</u> to see the

performance

Mon 10th 1.30pm Christmas Production, 'Wriggly Nativity', by Years 1 & 2 - Goldfinches & Robins <u>Parents and Carers</u>

only (no preschool aged children)

Tues 11th 1.30pm Christmas Production, 'Wriggly Nativity', by Years 1 & 2 - Owls & Swallows <u>Parents and Carers only</u>

(<u>no pre school aged children)</u>
Wed 12th 2.30pm Year 1 African Drumming Performance - parents invited to attend

Thurs 13th 2.30pm Year 2 African Drumming Performance - parents invited to attend Fri 14th 2-4pm Christmas Fayre in School Hall

Mon 17th 1.45pm YrR Nativity at St. Anne's Church - YrR parents invited to attend

Tues 18th 9-10am YrR parents invited to join their children for a craft morning here in school

## Weds 19th Children's Christingle

Mon 24th-Fri 4th Jan Christmas Holiday

#### January 2019

Mon 7th School re-opens for Spring Term

Tues 29th Year 1 trip to Beaulieu

February

18th-22nd School Closed for Half Term Tues 26th Year 2 trip to Beaulieu

**April** 

Fri 5th 3pm School closes for Easter Holiday
Tues 23rd 8.40 School re-opens for Summer Term

**JULY 2019** 

22nd & 23rd School closed for Inservice Training