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**Dear Parents and Carers,**

**Events this week**

On Monday, all our year 3 pupils went to Horton Kirby to learn all rocks and soils, they had a really great day.

Two of our year 5 pupils went to the city to the school travel award ceremony to learn about sustainable transport and to collect our gold travel award. They were wonderful ambassadors for our school. We also sent 4 pupils to take part in a maths challenge on Wednesday. They were really inspired by this experience.

On Wednesday, a theatre group came to perform Anti Bullying sessions for all our pupils at our main site. This was a really good reminder for the children about what bullying means and about how to ensure that they put an end to bullying behaviour. This was followed up in class. Please ask your child about what they learnt from these sessions. Today, we had a special Remembrance assembly at the main site, led by our year 4 pupils. The service was very beautiful and deeply moving.

**Unicef Shoe-share**

Thank you so much for your generous donations to this charity initiative. We now have a really big pile of shoes to contribute. Today is the last day for donations as we will be taking them to Clarks at the weekend.

**Parent/carer and teacher meetings**

It was wonderful that so many of you were able to attend our meetings this week. We really appreciate the tremendous partnership we have with all of you and how you always support us in ensuring the very best provision for your children. If you did not manage to make it to a meeting this week, please contact your child's teacher who will be happy to organise a time to meet with you.

**Book Fair**

The Autumn book fair will be here from Thursday 30th November to Wednesday 6th December after school in the hall.

There will be hundreds of new children's books to browse and buy. Come and join us! There are over 200 titles for you and your child to choose from, and with prices starting from only £2.99, there's sure to be a book for everyone. If you can't make it to our Book Fair, try the discounted Gift Vouchers available at

<https://bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/parents> they're a great way to ensure your child doesn't miss out.

Don't forget that every book you buy can help to get FREE BOOKS for our school library!

**Notes for your diary**

**Quiz Night** - Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November

**Christmas Fayre** – 25<sup>th</sup> November from 12 – 3pm

**Book Fair** - Thursday 30th November to Wednesday 6th December

**Children's Christmas Disco** - Friday 1st December

### **First Communion Programme 2017/18**

On Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> November there will be the first session for the children in the church and for the parents in the hall, both at 10:00am. Please do arrive before 10:00am so that the sessions can start and finish on time; teas and coffees will be available in the hall from 9:45am.

The 6:30pm Mass on Saturday evening (11<sup>th</sup> November) will also be the Mass of enrolment where the children on the programme will be introduced.

### **Christmas Fayre – How can you help?**

The Our Lady of Lourdes Christmas Fayre is on Saturday 25th November from 12 – 3 p.m. in the St Winifred's school main hall (Newstead Road site). We are appealing for your support and here are some of the ways you can help:

- Can you help run a stall? A sign-up sheet is available at the back of the church.
- Could you give some time to help with setting up or clearing away? Please sign up on the list at the back of the church.
- Donations: We are appealing for donations of unwanted gifts -toiletries, cosmetics etc. (4/5 November but we are still accepting), bottles (11/12 November), or good quality second hand books and toys (18/19 November).
- Can you make something for our cake stall?
- Lucky Squares: As we have done in recent years, we have a 1000 squares board instead of a Grand Draw to support our Christmas Fayre – these will be available to purchase from next week.
- Publicise the event – can you put up a poster? Available in the church.
- Most importantly – keep the date free and come along with your friends and family

### **Messages from the Friends**

**Buy Your Tickets Now: Tuesday 14th November is the last day for tickets for the** ever popular Quiz Night next Friday 17th. Tickets just £10 to include the quiz, supper and snacks on the table. Fully licenced bar available all night. Look forwards to seeing you there. Booking form attached - please drop slips into the office at either school.

**Volunteers Needed: Thank you to all those who have already volunteered.** The Christmas children's school discos will be on Friday 1st December: A start to the festive season for reception to y6 children. 4.30-5.45 (reception to year 2) and 6.15 to 7.30 (years 3-6). Parent volunteers needed to support the event, particularly for the Junior disco. We need a minimum 12 people per disco and without which we cannot run the discos. Please let one of us know or email us if you can help. Many thanks

**Oh Christmas Tree, Oh Christmas Tree** To help you get ready for Christmas, the PTA is once again selling Christmas Trees. Last year's trees were beautiful and enjoyed by all plus every tree helps to support the school. Orders will be needed by 24th November for collection on 9th December. Flyer attached

As always to find out more, reserve quiz tickets or a Christmas tree, or to volunteer for an event get in touch at [stwinifredsfriends12@gmail.com](mailto:stwinifredsfriends12@gmail.com) and like us on Facebook.



## Christmas Productions

I am including the timetable for our planned class Christmas productions. We will be using three different halls this year so please ensure you come to the correct one.

	<b>EYFS Site</b>	<b>Main Site small hall</b>	<b>Main Site big hall</b>
1 <sup>st</sup> December	Nursery 2.30	-	-
4 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception C 1.30		-
5 <sup>th</sup> December	-		3A 2.15
6 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception B 1.30	-	3U 2.15
7 <sup>th</sup> December	-	-	5K 2.00
8 <sup>th</sup> December	-	1A 2.00	-
11 <sup>th</sup> December	-	2CL 1.15	4T 2.00
12 <sup>th</sup> December	-	2FM 1.15	4L 2.00
13 <sup>th</sup> December	-	1D 2.00	-
14 <sup>th</sup> December	-	-	6M 2.00
15 <sup>th</sup> December	-	-	5/6F 2.00

## Attendance & Punctuality for this week

Total 51 late children throughout the school. Congratulations to Reception C with no late children.

<u>Class</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Lates</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Lates</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Lates</u>
Reception C	95%	0	Year 2CL	97%	5	Year 4T	97%	6
Reception B	94%	4	Year 2FM	95%	2	Year 4L	98%	5
Year 1 A	96%	8	Year 3U	97%	4	Year 5K	99%	6
Year 1 D	97%	2	Year 3A	99%	5	Year 5/6F	99%	1
						Year 6M	97%	3

Wrap up warm and have a really lovely weekend.

Margaret Hanrahan