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20th November, 2015

Happy Friday..... Firstly, a big thank you to everyone who braved the wind and rain to come along to one of the vision presentations I held on Tuesday. It was exciting to finally be able to share the plans we have in place to move us forward, and it was great to have positive feedback on this. If you weren't able to join us I am hoping to be able to share the slides on the website in the very near future, and I will let you know when they are available.

During one of the meetings it became apparent that the reason some parents haven't yet signed on to Parentpay is that they don't tend to make regular payments to school. However, Parentpay has replaced Parentmail as our way of communicating with you, and so it is vital that you register as soon as possible, whether you are likely to use the payment feature or not. Many thanks for your help with this.

Finally from me...we like our children free range, which means at this time of year it is essential they have a waterproof coat with them at all times. Indoor playtimes are very rare - we always give the children fresh air unless the weather is *really* unpleasant, so please bear this in mind when setting off for school (and please give the older ones a reminder for me - coats don't work as well if they're at home or in the bottom of bags!).

Have a lovely weekend, Andy Bowman

School Christmas dinner - Wednesday 16th December If your child would like a school dinner on Wednesday 16th December, please hand in a completed order form no later than **Wednesday 2nd December**.

Please note – if your child would like a school dinner on this date, you need to place an order even if they normally have a school dinner anyway.

If your child does not usually have school dinners please send in £2 for each dinner along with your order form. If you need another order form, please contact Reception.

Thank you.

Photographs..... Just a reminder to return photograph orders by **Thursday 26th November**.

Unfortunately after this date you will need to post your order direct to the Photographers and pay the late order charge of £4.00.

Anti-bullying..... Thank you to everyone for wearing blue today in support of our anti bullying week. We all held hands in a circle on the playground this morning to say NO to bullying.



Clubs.... Club application forms for Terms 3 & 4 will be available from the carousel from Monday 23rd November and will also be available to download from our website. Please remember that at the moment clubs cannot be paid for by ParentPay, so payment should be made in the usual way.

Orchestra.... Please note after Christmas Orchestra is changing to a new time of 3.30 to 4.15pm after school on a Tuesday.



Parking on the Zig-Zag lines outside school.....Can I remind everyone not to park on the zig zag lines please? This includes when dropping off and picking up children. The zig-zags are there to help ensure the safety of the children and so it is really important that everyone observes this. Thank you very much for your co-operation and support.

MESSAGE FROM REVD PHILIP.....

Bedtime Pyjama Service on Sunday at 5pm in the Church Centre

A lovely wind-down(ish) time of stories, songs, hot choc and being together. We'll finish the day, and prepare for night, seeking God's safekeeping.

Earlier in the day, at 10.45, there's an All Age service with baptisms. I'll be taking the theme of Wind Power, and we'll all make windmills, sing, pray, and other church stuff. All leading us to God's limitless love and kindness for all people, and the possibilities of peace.

PTA News..... Saturday December 5th - Keep calm it's the Christmas Fair! And your school (and Santa) needs YOU!

Please help our lovely Christmas Fair by donating something for a stall or activity. Boxes will appear in the reception area or in your class. This year we would love donations for:

Presents for Parents - any small new or good quality item, eg chocolates, candles, diaries, books, unwanted gifts etc.

The Tombola - bottles, jars, cans etc.

Toys and books - good quality pre-loved toys and books your children no longer play with or have outgrown (!)

Raffle Prizes – e.g. vouchers for restaurants, treatments, wine, jewellery, lovely Christmassy things etc.

Raffle tickets will be in book bags very soon. Thank you so much for your kind support.
Angela

Diary dates reminder.....

Coming up in December

5th – PTA Christmas Fair 2 – 5pm

9th - Phase 1 Dress Rehearsal

10th Phase 1 Nativity Performances

10 am - parents of Forms 1,3 &5

2 pm - parents of Forms 2,4 &6

11th - Phase 1 Nativity Performance

10 am - parents of forms 7 & 8

14th – 18th Week of Christmas parties

15th - Phase 2 Christmas Concert

6pm – 7 p.m. in Church

16th - Carols by Candlelight 6pm

17th – Carols on the Green

18th- End of Term Service 9.45am

18th – End of Term

Parent Governor Election.....Please see attached information. We are looking for two new Parent Governors and I would therefore welcome nominations. If you would like further information or to discuss the role, please speak to me.
Andy Bowman

Charity Sale.....Please come along to our sale at the Year 6 Storm Porch to raise money for Children In Need, Cancer Research and the RSPCA. We would be very grateful if you would come to help us help these charities. **The sale is on Tuesday 24th November** after school.
Jamie, Ella, Kathryn & Charlotte (F12)

