



# NEWSLETTER

## Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2016

### Stars of the Week

This week the stars of the week are Jessica, William and Cameron. Well done for following the 'secret of success' **Concentrate** – Learn to focus, tune out distractions and be mindful!



### Photographs

School photographs will be taken on Monday morning (14<sup>th</sup>). If you would like a family group photo which includes children who do not attend this school please arrive early as these are being taken between 8 and 9am. Siblings who attend school together will have a picture taken together during the morning. Make sure children are wearing smart uniform and their best smiles!

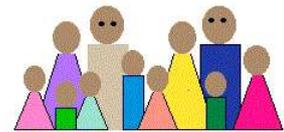
### Children in Need

Next Friday (18<sup>th</sup> November) is Children in Need day. Please could the children wear something spotty to school and bring a £1 donation to this charity. Don't worry if you do not have any spotty clothes – you can be creative with stickers or face paints! We are hoping for a surprise visit from a special bear during the day! Also remember to bring some change along to school at 2.45pm so you can buy some spotty cakes and biscuits which the children will have decorated.



### New Parent Invitation

The Infant School are holding welcome sessions for new parents with children starting Reception in September 2017 the next session is Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November at 09.15 am. If you know anyone you think may be interested in attending please let them know and ask them to contact the Infant school office.



**We Work Together**

### Year 3 Parent Invitation

Parents of children in Year 2 should have received a letter from the local authority about applying for a Year 3 place. Innsworth Junior School is offering guided tours on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> November at 1.45pm and Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January at 2pm. The deadline for online applications is January 15<sup>th</sup> 2017.

### Reception Staffing

We are pleased to have appointed Mrs Murphy as additional SEN TA to support a child in Reception, she will be joining the team on December the 5<sup>th</sup> and I am confident your children will make her welcome. Sadly Mrs Beach will be leaving us at Christmas for family reasons. She will be replaced by Mrs Ntim-Adjei, an experienced EYFS lead teacher who is moving to Gloucestershire from London. To provide continuity during these changes Miss MacGillivray (EYFS TA) will be focussing her support in Finch class.



### Christmas Fayre

We are beginning to get very excited about our Christmas Fayre on December 2<sup>nd</sup> based at the Junior School. Father Christmas will be there, there is going to be a craft room for children run by Innsworth Pre-school, a raffle, chocolate tombola, pizza, cakes and lots more. If you would like a table at the Christmas Fayre for your own stall please contact Mrs Hamblett on 01452 730377. Tables cost £7 each. In the past we have had card sales, crafts, jewellery and pocket money gifts.





### 3D Firework Competition

Congratulations to Luke Townsend and Alison-May Dadge, winners of the ABM Catering 3D firework competition. Martin Perrett found it difficult to judge the competition as all the children's entries were superb. Everyone who entered was presented with a certificate at lunchtime and the winners received a special craft prize. Look out for details of next month's competition which will have a Christmas theme.

### Westonbirt Trip

Our Reception children have been having a wonderful time today on their trip to Westonbirt Arboretum. They were really excited this morning as they boarded the coach and Mrs Beach and Mrs Coy had planned some lovely learning opportunities to support this terms topic question 'Why are there so many leaves on the ground?'



### Remembrance Day

At 11 o'clock this morning the whole school gathered in the playground to observe a minutes silence for Remembrance Day. Earlier this week Mrs Coy led a school assembly on the theme of remembrance. Please take time to talk to you children about this important occasion.

Thank you to everyone who has purchased Poppies to raise money towards this year's Royal British Legion Appeal.



### PSHE Day

A big thank you to Miss Bloomfield for organising such a fantastic PSHE day last week. The children really enjoyed working in mixed age groups, making new friends and experiencing practical elements of the personal, health and social education curriculum. A highlight was the visit from Severn Area Rescue Association who bought a lifeboat into school. Thank you all for your donations, we raised £92 to support SARA's valuable work in Gloucestershire.



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