

Pegswood Primary School News

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Nursery Outdoor Area

You will have noticed this week that the outdoor area in Nursery has been finished, even though the weather has been awful. Thank you for your cooperation in using different entrances into school during the week, but once the company had a dry spell of weather, we didn't want them to be clearing away earlier than they had to!

As you will be aware, the Nursery outdoor area has been a focus of fundraising over the last couple of years. We wouldn't have been able to transform the area without countless donations from various organisations that we work with. Lots and lots of bids have been submitted by Mrs Douds and over 35 letters been sent to local businesses asking for support. There will be a grand opening, where all the organisations who have supported us will be invited, but this will now be after the Christmas break. We were finally able to finish the project after submitting a bid to Northumberland County Council for their Healthy Pupil Capital Fund (money released from the 'sugar tax'). This secured us £10,000. Thank you to everyone who has contributed to our fundraising efforts over the time. These contributors were:

Sir James Knott Trust, The Hadrian Trust, Pegswood Parish Council, David Towns – Pegswood County Councillor, Press Electrical, Lynemouth Power Station, Pegswood Co-op, Pegswood Childminders and Northumberland County Council.



Children in Need

Thank you to everyone who donated to this. We raised £194.12 for the charity.

Christmas Fair Friday 30th November 5.00pm-7.00pm

Thank you to those people who have donated to our tombola stalls. Donations will still be gratefully received. Items for the adult's tombola and the chocolate tombola are still required. Any good quality soft toys that still may be hiding in your house that have been outgrown (or forgotten!) can still be brought in for our soft toy tombola. If you are able to help with any of the above, please drop the items in to Mrs Stanton in the office. Many thanks.

Please return raffle tickets and money by Wednesday 28th November.



Bookshop

The bookshop raised £772. Thank you to all those who attended.

Christmas Performance tickets

If you have any tickets that will not be used for the performances, please send these to the office to be reallocated.

Miss France

In last week's newsletter I was telling you about Miss France starting her maternity leave. In this one I'm delighted to inform you that yesterday morning Miss France gave birth to a healthy baby boy, weighing 8lb 12oz. Edward (Teddy), John, Henry Harbottle is doing fine as are mum and dad.

Easy fundraising

I included this in the newsletter a few weeks ago now, but being as we can't hide from Christmas any more, this is a really easy thing to do to help school if you are buying online. We have registered with this website and by following the link below – I have also included a link from our school website - (it's important to follow this link), it allows you to support our fundraising through your purchases at no extra cost to you. There are hundreds of connected websites such as Amazon, Argos, eBay and M&S to name just a few. Prices at the sites remain the same as their 'normal' site, but following our link means that they donate a percentage to our fund raising. Since I mentioned it in the last newsletter, we now have over 30 supporters and our donations have doubled (to £61.18). It would be great if we could get even more supporters and hence more funds raised to help with causes in school. Thank you. The link to follow is:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/pegswoodps/>

Diary Dates

Friday 30 th November	Christmas Fair (5.00pm-7.00pm)
Saturday 1 st December	Pegswood Community Hub Christmas Fair
Friday 7 th December	Nursery Open Afternoon for new starters
Saturday 8 th December	Girls' choir performance – St Margaret's Church (7.00pm) Tickets available from Pegswood Community Hub
Tuesday 11 th December	Key Stage 1 Christmas Performance (2.00pm) Year 3 & 4 Christmas event (6.00pm)
Wednesday 12 th December	Nursery & Reception Nativity Performance to grandparents (9.30am) Key Stage 1 Christmas Performance (6.00pm)
Thursday 13 th December	Nursery & Reception performance for parents (9.30am) Year 5 & 6 Christmas event (6.00pm)
Friday 14 th December	Christmas Jumper Day – non-uniform
Monday 17 th December	NO NURSERY AM Nursery & Reception Christmas party (1.15pm-3.15pm)
Tuesday 18 th December	Girls' Choir trip to Houses of Parliament 6.45am-8.00pm Year 3 & 4 Christmas Party (1.30pm – 3.15pm)
Wednesday 19 th December	Christmas Dinner with Christmas jumpers (<u>school uniform apart from jumper</u>) Year 1 & 2 Christmas Party
Thursday 20 th December	House non-uniform day
Friday 21 st December	Christmas jumper can be worn (<u>school uniform apart from jumper</u>) School closes for Christmas holidays (3.15pm)
Monday 7 th January	School opens for Spring Term

