



Mountfield News



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CHRISTMAS IS FOR ADULTS TOO!

*We would like to invite you to a parents' fun afternoon on **Friday 15th December** from 2pm. This is a time for parents to have fun while the children are kept busy in the classroom!!!!*

Please join us for bingo, raffles, tombola, coffee and cake and a little light relief from the strains of Christmas.

We have some great prizes on offer so don't miss out we'd love to see you there!!!

Don't forget

Our Christmas fair is on Thursday 7th December at 1:30pm. Children can be collected from classes by parents or they can go to the fair with their teacher if you can't make it. All money raised will be to develop the play areas.



Respect



We have recently had several parents being very disrespectful towards staff by shouting, intimidating and casting aspersions on our professionalism. Although we are very open to honest dialogue and criticism (after all no one is perfect), we kindly request that you treat us in the manner which we treat all parents. If you have any problems at all, please speak to a member of staff who can find out the facts and help you resolve any issues - things aren't always as they seem!

Diary of events

Tuesday 5th December	<i>PM- Reception vision screening</i>
Wednesday 6th December	<i>AM Year 4 forest school</i> <i>PM Year 6 forest school</i> <i>SEN reviews</i>
Thursday 7th December	<i>1:30PM Christmas Fair- all welcome</i>
Tuesday 12th December	<i>Year 3 and Year 5 visit Thornley Woods</i>
Wednesday 13th December	<i>9:30AM Early years and KS1 Nativity service</i> <i>Year 4 and Year 6 visit Thornley Woods</i> <i>PM: Year 5 Carol singing at Grainger market</i>
Thursday 14th December	<i>Christmas lunch</i>
Friday 15th December	<i>Christmas jumper day- £1 charity donation for Save the children</i> <i>2-3PM Parents and carers fun afternoon!!!!</i> <i>PM: year 4, 5 and 6 to Kenton to see panto</i>
Wednesday 20th December	<i>9:30AM KS2 Christmas concert</i> <i>2:15PM Carols at the Church of Ascension</i>
Thursday 21st December	<i>Fun day for KS1 and KS2</i>
Friday 22nd December	<i>Nursery and Reception Christmas party</i> <i>3:15PM: School closes for holidays</i>
Monday 9th January	<i>School reopens for the new term</i>

Safeguarding

Use of Social Media outside of school

Currently, we are dealing with a lot of issues and problems in school that are being caused by children's use of social media sites. This is very disruptive and takes a huge amount of time away from teaching and learning which is our core business.

Many social media sites, including Facebook, Instagram, YouTube and Snapchat, have a minimum age requirement of 13 years old. We would encourage all parents to adhere to these recommendations to avoid unnecessary and unhelpful disruptions and fallings out.

If you are going to allow your child access to these sites, we strongly urge you to monitor any usage and don't let arguments come into school as we cannot be responsible for sorting out these disagreements.

Nursery

Nursery have been listening to and retelling the story of 'The Three Little Pigs'. We had to build houses for the pigs because the 'Big Bad Wolf' keeps blowing them down! It has become such a problem that we invited Mr Wolf in on Thursday so we could teach him how to be a good friend to the pigs. We have asked him not to eat the pigs and to try eating a cereal breakfast each day instead. We have also asked him to be kind and to listen to his friends. He has promised to try and be the 'Big Good Wolf' from now on.



Reception

Mrs Brown and all the Reception staff would like to thank you all for your help and support during our project outcome. It was lovely to see so many of you there to support us! The children have thoroughly enjoyed this terms project and cant wait to find out what is next!



Year 4

Ukulele has been going fantastically in Year 4! We have been learning since September and are all getting REALLY good. Each week we learn new chords and practise moving from one to another; it can be very tough but we all try very hard and have been learning lots of new songs!



Year 1



Year 1 thoroughly enjoyed sharing their last Forest School session with their grown ups this week. Despite the miserable weather, spirits remained high and they were able to make nettle pancakes over the fire, do arts and crafts and even plant some trees on the field. They can't wait for next time!

Year 5

This term we have been training to become Sports Leaders! We have had to learn about keeping everyone safe, organising equipment, referee skills, teamwork, designing and planning games and even running our own sessions! It has been lots of hard work (it's hard being a teacher!) but we are all very proud of ourselves and how far we have come. Next week is our last session where we will find out if we have passed the course—wish us luck!



Year 2

Class 2 have been having a fantastic time in PE; learning how to work well as a team. Here they are working out challenges for how many body parts to have touching the floor. This meant they had to communicate well with each and support each other in balances. Well done Class 2!



Year 3

On Tuesday, year 3 took a trip back in time to Segedunum! We had a great time learning all about life in the Roman fort and what it must have been like for the soldiers. We even had the chance to dress up like Romans and to re-enact a Roman battle over Hadrian's Wall!



Year 6

Over the past couple of weeks, Super Six have been learning all about fractions (converting, simplifying, adding, etc.) so Mr. Robson thought he was clever setting us a challenge to pull all of our skills together and locked a prize in a giant, silver box. We had to use all of our fraction skills to unlock the box; Ronni, Kai, Mehmet and Christopher were the 'masters' of the challenge - Yee-haa.

