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## **Christ Church CE Primary Newsletter 11: 24th November 2017**

### **Message From Mrs Jones**

School is starting to look festive as preparations are well under way for the Christmas Fayre on Sunday, 1-4pm. Thank you for your kind donations for the stalls and for selling raffle tickets. There will be tickets available to purchase at the fayre in case you have missed the chance to win some amazing prizes.

Our PTA have worked so hard to plan a fun, festive afternoon so please do come and support on Sunday whilst being entertained by the Brass band and enjoying your first mince pie of the season!

This week we have had visitors in school to talk about being 'road-safe' in the winter. KS2 have had workshops discussing the importance of being seen and being alert when out and about. Some children will continue with their workshops into next term, exploring matters of crossing the road safely, staying with an adult and safe areas to cross around the school.

The Life bus is on site next week, Monday-Thursday and every class will have a session on the bus. The bus visits Christ Church every two years to deliver a session matched to the age of the children about areas of Personal Health & Social Education.

If you are curious, there is a drop in session for parents on the bus on Thursday 30th Nov, 8.55-9.10am.



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## Pop!

3 of our Y2 and Y3 children, whose home languages are French, Greek and Mandarin, have been reading the book Pop! and we thought it might be fun to make some popcorn ourselves. Just like in the book, our popcorn burst out of the pan, because the lid did not fit very well!

We still enjoyed tasting the popcorn ourselves, before reading the story to our class and sharing some popcorn with our friends.



## Eco-team

The Eco Team have been working hard on their presentation for the Eco Award Assessor.

It was great to see so many children 'collaborating' on a presentation in Google Slides, using our new Google Chromebooks from the PTA!



## Yr 5 & 6 Mini concert

We were treated to such an exciting concert given by the year 5s and 6s this Wednesday! Varying from a ukelele rendition of a Talking Heads song, to a beautifully choreographed acapella arrangement of an early Christmas song, "Mary did you know". The quality of the musicality from Christ Church students just seems to keep rising every year! We were all very inspired by the passion, dedication, and discipline that every performer so obviously put into their sparkling performances. Well done everybody!



## Year 3 Iron Man

This term Yr 3 have been studying the 'Iron Man' by Ted Hughes. We have used lots of adjectives to describe the Iron Man and written poems about his scrapyard. We were all super excited when the 'space bat angel dragon' appeared on Earth.

Some of the class have been so inspired by the story that they have even made their own 'Iron Man'.



## Reception and Key Stage 1 Christmas Plays

Christmas tickets for the Reception and Years 1 and 2 play will come home next week via your child's book bags so please look out for them. As you can imagine this is a big admin task and we try to be fair to all. Please return any tickets you no longer require to the school office rather than swapping with others. We did find one year a family accrued a significant number of tickets whilst others were hoping for just one spare. We don't have a designated booking office so please be understanding of the task in hand.

### Plea for stage lights!

Does anyone have some large stage spotlights that we could borrow for the Reception and Key Stage 1 Play? Something like these images? If you do, please speak to or email Miss Holland via the school email address: [christ.church.p@bristol-schools.uk](mailto:christ.church.p@bristol-schools.uk). Thank you.



## Book reviews

### What is your favourite book?

Does your family have a favourite book?

Is it a favourite author you have?

Remember to give in or email to the school office your 'favourite book' review and photos of the book/ you reading the book - deadline **Friday 8th December**.

This will really help our school community in being able to recommend good books to each other! Thank you





***This Sunday, 26th November, 1-4pm***

It's the night before, the night before the Christ Church Christmas fair!

Join us for carols, crafts and chestnut roasting. There'll be new stalls for Christmas gifts, Santa's grotto and a last chance to buy tickets for our amazing raffle – you could win £100 to spend at Polpo, a luxury beauty hamper from House of Fraser, a Tony Hawk skateboard from Shiners or one of a number of other fabulous prizes!



***See you all there.....***

## ***PTA Christmas Party***

Booking slips for the ever popular PTA Christmas Party have come home in book bags.

Tickets cost £17.50 (which includes a glass of Prosecco on arrival, thereafter paid bar)

Tickets can be bought from class reps, or through returning the Booking form to the school office with cheque (paid to CCSA), cash or online payment to : Lloyds Bank, 30-99-08, 22086268, Ref: family name.

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## Reminders

Please remember to go online and give your consent and voluntary contribution to the Redgrave Theatre Trip and the Life Bus

**Christmas Lunch** will be Thursday 14th December - the kitchen need numbers in good time, so please go onto ParentPay and pre book this by **Friday 8th December**.

## Letters home this week

The Giving Machine  
St George's Choir Concert (KS2 Choir)  
Yr 4 Underfall Yard Visit  
Yr 1&2 Sportshall Athletics



## Term 1 2017/18 Dates

### Term 2:

#### November:

Sun 26th PTA Christmas Fayre pm  
Mon 27th Education Lifebus on site Mon-Thurs  
Thurs 30th 4SB Tea Afternoon  
Yr 4 Underfall Yard 4SB am, 4AF pm

#### December:

Mon 4th Yrs 1 & 2 Christmas Performance, 5.30pm (children arrive 4.45pm)  
Tues 5th Whole School Redgrave Theatre trip 'the Wizard of Oz' (KS2 late return 4.30pm)  
Weds 6th Yrs 1 & 2 Christmas Performance, 2pm  
KS2 Choir Christmas Concert, St Georges, concert 1.30pm (**note time change**)  
Thurs 7th Reception Christmas Play, 10am  
5WB Tea Afternoon  
Fri 8th Reception Christmas Play, 10am  
PTA party for parents/ carers  
Thurs 14th 6ED Tea Afternoon  
Whole School Christmas Church service 10am, all welcome  
School Christmas Lunch  
Fri 15th Christmas Jumper Day  
End of Term 2

**Term 3 starts Weds 3rd January (Tues 2nd Jan is an INSET day)**