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People with time for Children

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Newsletter 7

Dear Parents,

A few reminders to get us through the last two weeks of this busy term:-

Christmas Cards

Our usual post box is located outside the school office. We would encourage all children to post their Christmas Cards in here so that they can be distributed by the School Council. Please ensure that envelopes have the name and class on. Thank you.

Christmas Performances – Wednesday 6th December

We hope you enjoyed the performance earlier today our evening performance is on Wednesday 6th December. No further tickets are available as we have reached our fire limit numbers. If you find you do not require your ticket please return to the office as other parents would like to see the performance. Can the infant children return to school for 5.30 p.m. so that they can get ready for the performance. If you are not staying to watch please collect your children at 7.00 p.m. Thank you.

Friends Non-Uniform Day 3 – Wednesday 6th December

The Friends are asking for donations of 'Jazzy Jars' in return for children to wear their Christmas jumpers to school. Fill a clean jam jar with sweets or goodies – decorate the outside and bring them into school for the tombola. Thank you.

Nasal Flu Immunisation Programme – Thursday 7th December

Children in Reception and Years 1, 2, 3 and 4 are being invited to have a Nasal Flu Immunisation on the morning of **7th December 2017**. A separate letter has been issued asking for permission for your child to take part. Pre-School children and those in years 5 and 6 are being recommended to visit their doctor's surgery if they wish to be immunised against the flu.

Friends Christmas Fair – Monday 11th December

This will take place on the afternoon of Monday 11th December from 3.15 – 4.30. If you are able to help before the day, set up on the day, run a stall, or clear away your help would be gratefully received. Children will need to be collected from Classes as normal.

The Friends would also appreciate donations of cakes for the refreshment stall. By popular request Mrs Anderson is doing the 'Presents for Parents' Stall. If you are able to donate unused toiletries, small ornaments or anything pretty we would be grateful. Thank you.

All **raffle tickets**, sold or unsold, and money should be returned to school by Friday 8th December. Thank you.

Christmas Visits

The Pre-Schools visit to Gloucester Docks will take place on **Monday 11th December**. The remainder of the school will visit the Roses Theatre in Tewkesbury to see Sleeping Beauty on **Wednesday 13th December**. Thank you to the parents that have already paid towards these visits, if you have not as yet please visit www.parentpay.com. Once again we thank the Friends committee for paying towards the transport for both of these visits.

Head teacher: Mrs Hayley McGoldrick

Hot school meals will not be available on **Wednesday 13th December** as we will be returning to school for a late lunch so will order packed lunches for all children entitled to free school meals and all children in Years Reception, 1 and 2. Children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 are asked to provide a packed lunch or pre-order a lunch with the school office. Thank you.

Christmas Lunch – Tuesday 12th December

The whole school are invited to take a Christmas Lunch on Tuesday 12th December. Menus have been issued and it's not too late to return your menu choice. Christmas Lunch will cost £2.28 and payment should be made through our online payment system www.parentpay.com.

Pre-School Carol Singing

Parents are invited into school on the morning of **Thursday 14th December** from 9.00 – 10.00 to listen to the Pre-school children sing their Christmas Carols.

End of Term discos – Thursday 14th December

These will take place in the afternoon for the Infant and Pre-School children and 4.00 – 5.30 for the Junior Children. We ask for the following donations of food:

Pre-School, Holly Berries and Maple Classes – Savoury foods – sausage rolls, sandwiches, crisps, chunks of cheese and pineapple.

Holly Leaves and Chestnut Classes – Sweet foods – fruit, biscuits, cakes.

Christmas Service Friday 15th December

We will round off the year with our annual Service at St Ethelberts Church. Parents are invited into school for tea/coffee from 9.00 a.m. to 9.45 a.m. **The Church service will start at 10.00. School will close at 2.00 p.m.**

Our Christmas Holidays start on Monday 18th December and we return to school on Tuesday 2nd January 2018.

After School Clubs

We hope the children have enjoyed taking part in the after school clubs this year. All clubs will end on Thursday 7th December. A new set of Clubs will be issued in January.

Crochet Club

We host a small but friendly crochet club on a Thursday morning from 9.00 – 11.00. All are welcome to attend whether a beginner or expert. This Thursday the club will meet at the School. Once a month they meet at the Bethel Tearooms.

Young Voices

Our Choir will be visiting the Genting Arena in Birmingham on Thursday 11th January. Further details on the day will follow. Please keep practicing the songs at home. We will continue to practice during the school day and will have an after school club from 3.00 – 4.00 on Tuesday 9th January. **Payment of £12.00 towards the coach is due on or before 5th January 2018.** If you haven't done so already please visit our online payment system www.parentpay.com. Thank you.

Swimming

Maple Class will begin their swimming lessons on Thursday 11th January. Details to follow in January.

Forest School Sessions

Miss Pearson is looking for spare clothes – old joggers, jumpers, thick socks, wellies or waterproof coats and trousers that are suitable for children aged 4, 5 and 6 – that can be used for our Forest Schools sessions – thank you.

School Photographs

We have been in contact with the Photographer today and we have been promised that photographs will be returned early next week at the latest. We apologise. We have not received the level of service that we expect this year.

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