



Children in Need

We would like to thank all of our children and families who today have helped to support our Children in Need event. We have held two special assemblies in school today to mark the occasion and discussed with the children how a charity like Children in Need benefits children across the UK.



Thrilling Commemoration Match

At the end of last week, we spent time with the children discussing the significance of Remembrance and the meaning behind the poppy which we have been selling in school over the past two weeks. To commemorate the event, children in years 5 and 6 took part in a football match on the school field designed to reenact the matches played between the trenches in World War One. This was a lovely occasion and all of the children in the school were able to come out and cheer the players on.

New Furniture and Flooring

At the beginning of this term we replaced all of the tables and chairs in our classrooms in KS1 and KS2. We have also replaced the last of the carpets that we had in the classrooms in the main building and had vinyl floor laid down instead. Many of our classrooms have also been repainted and all of our classrooms now look much brighter and nicer environments for our children to learn in.



Christmas Fair

Our fabulous fair is only a week away on Friday 24th November. It will begin at 5pm and end at 8pm with the children manning pocket money stalls and singing carols. We also have a number of local businesses and yummy food. Please come along and support the fair – there is always lots to see and do! Remember to buy your raffle tickets for a chance to win some amazing prizes.

Children will be singing in their year groups at the fair at the following time:



Reception	5.30pm
Years 1 and 2	5.45pm
Years 3 and 4	6.00pm
Years 5 and 6	6.15pm

Please can you ensure your child arrives in the outside yellow area a few minutes before their allotted singing time.

They Friends are in need of new members or parents who can spare a few hours to help. If you are able to spare some time or are available to help out at the Christmas fair, please contact the Friends team through their Facebook page or by contacting the school office.

Anti-bullying Week

This week, alongside many schools across the country, we have taken part in 'Anti-Bullying Week'. Our aim has been to help all of our children answer three particular questions:

- What is bullying?
- What bullying is not?
- What can you do to stop bullying?

The first two questions seem very obvious, but we often find there is confusion about the word bullying. We define it as follows:

Bullying is:

- When one child or a group of children, keeps on trying to upset or hurt another person
- Done on purpose, over and over again

Bullying is not:

- When you have an argument or fall out with someone, or when you say something unkind to someone once when you are angry. This is, of course unacceptable but it is not what we call bullying

To stop bullying:

- You must tell someone you trust
- Don't be a bystander – if you see bullying, tell someone!

The week will comprise of a number of assemblies for both Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 about this, plus classroom activities to reinforce these messages. These activities will

focus on a range of themes including the different types of bullying (including cyber bullying), how bullying can make people feel and why people might become bullies.

We ask the children to tell someone if they either witness bullying or they feel they are being bullied. If you have a concern about this, please do approach your child's class teacher immediately: we would not want any child coming into school feeling unhappy or unsafe.

Reception and Year 1 and 2 Productions

As in previous years, children in Reception and Years 1 and 2 will be inviting parents and carers to watch their Christmas productions. Dates for these are:

KS1 (Years 1 & 2)

Tuesday 28th November: dress rehearsal to school

Wednesday 29th November: 9.30am performance to parents

Friday 1st December 2.15pm performance to parents

Key Stage 1 families will be able to book 2 tickets for one of the performance dates on either the 29th November or the 1st December.

Reception

Wednesday 6th December: dress rehearsal to school

Thursday 7th December: 9.30am performance to parents

Friday 8th December 2.30pm performance to parents

Reception families will be able to book 2 tickets for one of the performance dates on either the 7th or the 8th December.

Bookings for both events will be via Arbor and the office will be in touch about this shortly.

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KS2 at Christ the King

Children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will be celebrating Christmas at Christ the King Church at 2.00pm on Tuesday 12th December. Parents are warmly invited to attend this event. An email providing further details about this event will be sent out shortly.

Parent Readers

As a school we would be very grateful if any of our parents or grandparents could spare a small amount of time to volunteer to come into school and hear children read. If you are able to help out at any time, during the school day, please contact your child's teacher or the school office.

Car Parking

Please can we respectfully ask that all parents park responsibly when dropping their children off at school in the morning and when picking them up at the end of the day. We have received a number of complaints from residents in nearby roads complaining about parents' cars blocking their driveways and parking illegally around road junctions and pedestrian crossings.

Breakfast and After School Clubs

Our breakfast club is open from 7.45am and our after school club is open between 3.30pm and 6.00pm.

Bookings for the clubs will be made on a first come first serve basis. If you would like to book a space for your child, please contact the school office.

Diary Dates

Reception open afternoons 22nd - 23rd

November 3.30 – 4.30pm

Xmas fair 24th November

Forest school Year 6 27th November – 1st December

Xmas lunches 13th December

Birthday Friday 15th December

End Term 15th December

INSET 2nd January

Children arrive back 3rd Jan

Parent forum 25th January 2.45pm

Birthday Friday 9th Feb

End Term 9th Feb

Term begins 19th Feb

Forest school Year 4 26th Feb – 1st March

Open morning week 4th – 8th March 3pm

MOJO Active – Year 2 11th, 12th March

MOJO Active – Year 4 13th, 14th March

13th and 14th March parent consultations

Parent forum 14th March 2.45pm

Sports Relief 15th March (TBC)

Forest School Year 5 18th – 22nd March

Forest school Year 3 25th – 29th March

Year 5 parents' camp meeting 26th March
3.30pm

Birthday Thursday 28th March

End Term 28th March

Term begins 15th April

MOJO Active – Year 1 18th, 19th April

Forest school Year 4 22nd – 26th April

MOJO Active – Year 3 29th, 30th April

MOJO Active – Year 5 1st, 2nd May

Forest school Year Reception/Year 1 6th – 10th
May

Parent forum 9th May 2.45pm

Year 4 swimming 13th – 17th May

KS2 SATs 13th – 17th May

Year 5 camp (camp on Friday 17th – 18th May)

Sports Days 21st and 22nd May (reserve 23rd)

Birthday Friday 23rd May

INSET 24th May

End Term 24th May

INSET 3rd June

Children arrive back 4th June

MOJO Active – Year 6 6th, 7th June

Forest school Year 5 10th – 14th June

New reception parents meeting 10th June 6pm

Forest school Year 6 17th – 21st June

New reception meet the teacher visits (after school) 17th June – 21st June

Forest school Year 2 24th – 28th June

Parent forum 27th June 2.45pm

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Forest school Year 3 1st – 5th July

Reception stay and play visits 1st – 5th July

Summer fair 6th July Reception teddy bear
picnic 5th July

MOJO Reception 8th and 9th July

Year 4 swimming 15th – 19th July

Parents' evening 18th July 3.30 – 4.30pm

Birthday Tuesday 23rd July

23rd July End Term

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