



## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER 24<sup>th</sup> November 2017



Dear Parents,

Thank you to all of the Reception and KS1 children and parents who attended our special Christmas Messy Church event on Wednesday. We hope you had lots of fun making all of the Christmas crafts and enjoyed the food. A letter has been sent out to Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 to invite them and yourselves to a Christmas Messy Church Craft session on Wednesday the 29th November from 3.20pm until 5pm. We would love to see you at this free event! Please let us know if you are attending so we can ensure there are enough craft resources and food to go around.

### **Children In Need:**

We raised a grand total of £418.50 for Children In Need, thank you to all the parents, children and staff for this fantastic amount for such a worthy cause, your kindness will go on to help many, many children. The winner of the giant Pudsey was Tegan Stevenson, and the runners up won a Pudsey pen and they were Henry Everill, Zinnia Mullock, Cadence Simpson, Kyle Gibson, Alfie Hulme-Jones, Ella-May Wood, Emmy-Lee Matthews, Tabitha Snape-Banks, Charlotte Keen and Liam Malcolm.

### **Attendance:**

Our whole school attendance target is **95.5%**. This week we achieved **94.6%**.

### **Contacting the School:**

If you are contacting the school by telephone, please use the options to help you contact the right person for your query, a short message will be played giving you options, please choose **option 1** to report your child absent, **option 2** to speak to Miss Middleton our Home School linker worker, **option 3** for Mrs Moore in Finance, **option 4** to speak to the kitchen and **hold the line** to speak to Mrs Brown in the office.

### **Winter Weather:**

Please see attached information regarding snow and bad weather. We will inform the local radio stations Radio Stoke and Signal Radio, who will make an announcement if the school is closed. A text message will be sent to the mobile phone number we have on our records (please inform the school of your new number if you changed it). School closures will be listed on the Staffordshire County Council site please follow the link below. <https://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/education/schoolsandcolleges/emergencyclosures/schoolclosurelist/schoolclosurelist.aspx> Please note you can sign up for an alert to your mobile if you log on to the site.

### **Christmas Lunch:**

Our children will be having their Christmas Lunch Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December, letters regarding this have been given out, we will need numbers and payments by Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November.

### **Effort of the week:**

Well done to the following children who won this week: Freddie Hadley, Esmail Williamson, Marshall Burgess, Harrie Horsley, Jamie Davenhill, Ebony Needham, Lucy Price, Max Smith, Ashley Pearce and Flossy McNicol

### **Good to be Green:**

Well done to the following children who won the good to be green raffle: Lucy Hulse, Thomas Cole, Lucas Keen, Layla Malema, Alex Williams, Lucy Jankowiak, Asha White, Lexie Dudley, Lacey Jones and Victoria Rigby

### **Team Stars:**

The running total so far:

Endeavour(blue) 21 Stars, Pioneer(green) 16 Stars, Voyager(yellow) 24 Stars, Discovery(red) 19 Stars.

**Christmas Dates for the diary:**

Date	Event
4 <sup>th</sup> December 2017	KS1 Trip to see Alice In Wonderland leaving at 12 noon
6 <sup>th</sup> December 2017	EYFS Trip to see Santa at Garners leaving at 9.20am
12 <sup>th</sup> December 2017	Whole School Christmas Lunch
13 <sup>th</sup> December 2017	KS1 and KS2 Christmas Performance at 1.30pm
13 <sup>th</sup> December 2017	EYFS and KS1 Disco 5.30 to 6.30pm
13 <sup>th</sup> December 2017	KS2 Disco 6.30 to 7.30pm
14 <sup>th</sup> December 2017	EYFS Christmas Performance at 9.30am
14 <sup>th</sup> December 2017	KS1 and KS2 Christmas Performance at 1.30pm
15 <sup>th</sup> December 2017	Years 3-6 Aladdin Panto leaving at 9.30am
18 <sup>h</sup> December 2017	Christmas Church Service at St Mary's Church 9.15am
18 <sup>th</sup> December 2017	Christmas parties afternoon - in school time
19 <sup>th</sup> December 2017	Autumn Progress Assembly 9:15
19 <sup>th</sup> December 2017	Year 6 to sing at Mill Rise 1.30 to 3pm
19 <sup>th</sup> December 2017	School closes for Christmas holiday

**Worship and Church News:**

Our School's Christian values are COMMUNITY, RESPECT AND PERSEVERANCE.

During Worship this week we have been focusing on Love. We have thought about what love is, who we love and who we can count on in times of need. We have thought about the bible passage from Corinthians 13 which says that ' Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends.' We have reflected on loving actions and our mission has been to try and spread as much love as possible. Our prayer has this week is our school prayer which focuses on love.

Dear God,

Thank you for our school,

Let peace live here.

Let the rooms be full of happiness.

Let your love be all around,

As we also love one another,

Love all people,

And love life and living.

Let us shine together in your name,

Amen.

**Safeguarding and support:**

The welfare of our children is always our priority. If you ever feel you need to talk to anyone in school regarding safeguarding or any welfare issues we can help with, please ask to speak to Mrs Wheaver or Miss Middleton who are the Designated Safeguarding Leads, if they are not available please speak to Mrs Birchall who is the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead.