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CHRISTMAS FAYRE DONATIONS

The PTA will be holding our annual Christmas fayre on Friday 1st December - 3.30pm-5.00pm. Children may wear **non-uniform to school on Tuesday 28th November** if they bring in a donation of any of the following: bottles of wine/alcohol, books, toys, chocolates, toiletries, biscuits etc.

There is a donation box in the office foyer that we will collect daily. Thank you for your support.



CHILDREN IN NEED

The total amount raised for this charity was an amazing £305 including Pudsey biscuits made and sold by Reception. Thank you again for your generosity in supporting this cause.



INFANT NATIVITY

Tickets are now available on Parentpay. There is a limit of 2 per child, please do not order 4 as this may lead to disappointment. We have to limit numbers in the hall for health and safety. Spares may be available at a later date.

CHRISTMAS TREES FOR SALE - Christmas trees will be sold from the school on **Saturday 9th December from 9:30am to 2pm**. They will be sold by Chris Swinburn who is a friend of the school, having installed our trampoline and carried out surveying work at a fraction of the usual price. A significant percentage of the **profits will go to the school**, so by purchasing a tree, our children will benefit too! An order form is attached, or you can arrive on the day to purchase a tree.



ANTI-BULLYING WEEK! What a week we've had so far! On Monday, the children discussed what bullying is through watching a collection of teacher made videos! You can view them at <http://www.whitchurchprimary.co.uk/parents-page/ahjoau>. The videos are as entertaining as they are educational! On Tuesday, we enjoyed yoga sessions with a professional coach, who taught us ways to deal with stress. On Wednesday, we learned from SARI (Stand Against Racism and Inequality) how it is okay to be different, and tomorrow children will enjoy the *piece de resistance* of anti-bullying week, ask your children when they get home on Friday!



CINEMA VISIT

Children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 enjoyed the experience of visiting the cinema last Friday to see The Eagle Huntress.



CHRISTMAS DINNER – Our school Christmas dinner will be on Tuesday 12th December. Please see the menu attached. If your child would like to have Christmas dinner, please ensure you have credit on your Parentpay dinner money account. Children in the infants will receive Christmas dinner free of charge as part of the Government scheme.

DOGS - Please can we remind parents and carers that we can not allow dogs onto school property. This is in line with council ruling. As much as we love our four legged friends, please can you leave them at the pedestrian gate. Thank you.

LOCAL LIBRARIES - In order to make reading even better across our school, we are promoting local libraries. Please pop in to your local library if you haven't done so already. It's easy to join, and they offer a fantastic range of DVDs and audio books as well as the expected books! You can even read the papers for free!

ATTENDANCE - As you know from last week's newsletter, attendance is becoming another Whitchurch Primary success story! Please help us improve even more - if you cannot get medical or dental appointments outside of school time, bring your child in to be registered, then take them to their appointment. This way your child will have an exemplary attendance record, which is appreciated by us and Secondary Schools alike!

ST NICHOLAS CHURCH – The Church will be holding the following services over Christmas:
Sunday 3rd December – Christingle Service 4pm. Sunday 17th December – Candlelit Carol Service 4pm.
Sunday 24th December – Crib Service 4pm and Midnight Communion 11pm. Monday 25th December – Christmas Morning Communion 8.30am. Everyone welcome.

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PROVISIONAL DIARY DATES :

28.11.17 – Non-uniform day for children that bring in items for the Xmas fayre
01.12.17 – Christmas fayre - 3.30-5pm
01.12.17 – Village Christmas lights switch on with the choir 7pm
05.12.17 – Infant Nativity - 2pm
07.12.17 – Open day for Reception 2018 at 9.30am
07.12.17 – Infant Nativity - 2pm
11.12.17 – Santa Breakfast – children are invited into school to have breakfast in the hall with Santa. Please note – normal school start time applies.
11.12.17 – Years 3 and 6 will take part in the carol service at Bath Abbey
12.12.17 – Sing Along Christmas – family event with carols, mince pies and hot drinks plus the hamper draw – 6-7pm
12.12.17 – Christmas dinner
14.12.17 – Christmas parties – children may come to school in party clothes
15.12.17 – End of term
02.01.17 – Inset day – school closed
03.01.17 – Start of term 3

THIS WEEKS' ATTENDANCE RESULTS!

Reception: 88.6%

Year 1: 94.7%

Year 2: 93.2%

Year 3: 91.7%

Year 4: 98.3%

Year 5: 98.3%

Year 6: 97%

THE WINNERS THIS WEEK ARE YEARS 4 AND 5!

Years 4 and 5 will receive 10 minutes extra play time!

THE HOUSE WITH THE HIGHEST ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK IS **WILLOW** WITH 96.4%

PRAISE AND SHOWCASE!

Each week the school rewards children from each class with special certificates!

One will be awarded for excellent behaviour, the other for superb work, which will go into a 'showcase' book for visitors to view in the school office. Photos can be viewed on the website shortly!

This week's children are:

YEAR 1: Brayden has been praised – Henry K has received the showcase award

YEAR 2: Alyssa has been praised – Caiden has received the showcase award

YEAR 3: Alice has been praised – Elizabeth has received the showcase award

YEAR 4: Ashleigh has been praised – Katie has received the showcase award

YEAR 5: Lauren has been praised – Ja'Nya has received the showcase award

YEAR 6: Cameron has been praised – Olivia has received the showcase award