

Newsletter Monday 4th November 2019

Christmas Fair

As you all know, this year we have decided to hold a Christmas Fair on **Wednesday 4th December from 5pm to 7pm**. We will have a range of stalls, including games, home baked goodies, Christmas crafts made by the children, tombola, craft making stalls, hot food and much more, including a delightfully decorated grotto where Santa will be waiting to be visited by excited little children!

There is a non-uniform day in school on **Friday 29th November**. In return we would like to ask your child to bring into school a new item for the fair e.g. tombola prize, bottle tombola prize, raffle prize, toiletries, small packet of sweets, biscuits etc.

All proceeds from the fair will go towards paying for every child from Reception to year 6 to enjoy the Christmas pantomime at Billingham Forum. We would like to take this opportunity to ask you once again for your much appreciated support this year. Please bring your friends and family to what we know will be a wonderful Christmas Extravaganza!

Harvest Festival

Thank you to all of you who donated items for our Harvest Festival. Some of the children delivered the goods and the donations were greatly received by Mother Gemma who runs St. Aidan's Kitchen.

Carols around the Christmas Tree

On Tuesday 10th December at 3.15pm school will be hosting Carols around the Christmas Tree. All the children are involved in this performance. I would be grateful if your child could stay in school at the end of the school day until 4pm. If your child can not stay after school, please let the class teacher know. Everyone is invited to come along and warm mulled wine will be served prior to the performance.

Snow White and the Seven Dwarves

On Thursday 12th December all pupils (Reception to Year 6) will be going to see Snow White and the Seven Dwarves at Billingham Forum. A letter with all the details will be sent home. It is important that you return the consent slip to school. If we do not receive it, your child will not be able to attend.

Nursery & Reception Christmas Party

The Nursery & Reception Christmas Party will take place on Friday 13th December at 2pm. Children can come to school dressed in their party clothes.

Poppies

Poppies and stationery items are on sale in school for the Royal British Legion. The stationery items are priced from 50p to £1. Any donation will be accepted from 20p upwards for the poppies.

Christingle

The Christingle Service will take place on **Friday 20th December at 9.30am** St. John the Baptist Church. All parents, grandparents and friends are warmly invited to this celebration and we look forward to seeing you all there. Children are bringing home a Christingle donation box this term, which needs to be assembled. I would be grateful if you could return this to school by Tuesday 17th December. The Christingle donation boxes will be presented in church during the Service. All donations will go to the Children's Society to help needy children throughout the country.

SATs 2020

KS2 (Y6) SATs tests take place week beginning 11th May 2020. Assessments for all other year groups also take place around this time. Please ensure your child is in school.

We feel it would be useful for parents to have a list of dates for school events leading up to Christmas as soon as possible. As you can see, it is going to be another busy half-term, so please keep these dates to hand as we would not want you to miss any of these wonderful events. However, we may have to make some alterations to times and dates and if this is necessary, you will be notified via a school newsletter, text or email.
It is therefore very important that all letters are read by parents/guardians.

Monday 4th November	Pupils return to school.
Monday 4th November	Parent Consultation Evening for all classes from 3.30 to 5.30pm. Please contact the school office for an appointment.
Wednesday 6th November	Class 3 Worship 9 am. Everyone welcome and refreshments will be served afterwards.
Wednesday 6th November	Parent Consultation Evening for all classes from 5pm to 7pm. Please contact the school office for an appointment.
Monday 11th November	Class 4 Worship 9am. Everyone welcome and refreshments will be served afterwards.
Thursday 14th November	Flu Immunisation.
Friday 22nd November	Class 1 visit to Stichell House.
Friday 29th November	Non uniform day for donated items for the Christmas Fair.
Friday 29th November	Class 4 visit to Stichell House.
Friday 29th November	Class 4 singing at Morrisons 9:15 for NSPCC
Wednesday 4th December	Christmas Fair from 5pm to 7pm.
Friday 6th December	Class 3 visit to Stichell House.
Tuesday 10th December	Carols around the Christmas Tree at 3.30pm.
Wednesday 11th December	School Christmas lunch.
Thursday 12th December	Reception to Year 6 pupils at Billingham Forum to see Snow White.
Friday 13th December	Class 2 visit to Stichell House.
Friday 13th December	Early Years Christmas Party in School at 2pm.
Tuesday 17th December	KS1 Christmas production at 2pm in school.
Wednesday 18th December	KS1 Christmas production at 6pm in school.
Friday 20th December	Christingle Service in Church at 9.30am.
Friday 20th December	Children finish for Christmas.
Monday 6th January 2020	Children return to school.

Christmas Crafts

We will be advertising items for sale at our Christmas Fair for you to order in advance. Keep an eye out on our Facebook page for further information