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Newsletter 11- 26.11.19

Dear Parents & Carers,

Christmas Fair:

Many thanks for all the donations that were sent into school on Friday for the Christmas Fair. These donations really will make a huge difference to the success of the fair.

Our Christmas Fair is taking place on **Friday 29th November 2019**. For the first year, this event will run straight after school from **3:30pm- 6:00pm**. The children will be dismissed as usual from the playground and then parents/children can make their way round to the front entrance of the school in order to gain entry for the fair.

If you are able to support at the fair, on a stall, please do make sure you have let the PTA know this. Any offers of support/help are really appreciated and will ensure that the fair can operate at full capacity. We look forward to seeing everyone on Friday at the fair.

PTA Donations to school:

We have now received some brand new atlases, dictionaries and thesauruses for classes which we were in desperate need of. As well as this, the PTA have funded 30 brand new glockenspiels which can be used as part of our music teaching along with a trolley for them to be stored on.



Without the PTA, it would not have been possible for school to purchase these items, so we are very grateful to them for making this possible but also to all our parents who support the PTA with their fundraising ideas and events. School budgets have become increasingly difficult and challenging to manage and the support from the PTA is invaluable in terms of ensuring that the pupils at Gayton do have the necessary resources they need.

Eco-team (Switch off Fortnight)

Our school is taking part in Switch off Fortnight. Our eco councillors have been monitoring energy usage across school focusing on the lunchtime period. They will be sharing their findings and then deciding on the next steps.



Flu Immunisations – Monday 2nd December 2019

Reminder: The Flu Immunisations are taking place on Monday 2nd December 2019. There are still some families who have not returned their consent forms. Without the consent form being signed and returned, your child will not be given the flu vaccine. If you would like your child to have the vaccine, please ensure that you have returned the form.

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Carol Wagon – Monday 9th December 2019 at 6:30pm- 8:30pm.

We have been allocated the evening of Monday 9th December 2019. This event is organised by Heswall Round Table and is a wonderful way for school to make some money as a percentage of the donations from the evening are given to school. The more adults who can come along to help the more we can collect on the evening. If you are able to support on this evening, please email the school office to let them know or contact the PTA. **Please note that this event is not suitable for children.**

STEMterprise project-

Our Y4 pupils are going to be taking part in an exciting project led by Hi-Impact which is a STEMterprise project. This week they will be building a digestive system and in the second session they are going to have the opportunity to learn about the nutritional benefits of dairy products.

Y3 Singing

Many thanks to everyone in Y3 who came along to the Christingle Service at the Church of the Good Shepherd last week. Miss Hudson has arranged with Abbi from the Voice for the final singing session to be opened to parents. This is just an opportunity for Y3 parents to come into school and listen to the songs that the children have been learning with Abbi over the term. This session will run on Monday 9th December 2019 from 2:45pm- 3:15pm. If you are able to pop along, please do so as the children will love to share the songs they have been learning.

Christmas Nativity Performance (F2,Y1 & Y2)

As previously advertised, our Christmas nativity performances will take place on **Wednesday 11th December 2019.**

There will be two performances: **9:30am & 6:00pm.**

Tickets for the performances will be limited to two per child for each performance. Tickets will be available on Parent pay for £1.00 per ticket and will be available from **Monday 2nd December 2019.** Please note that if children are attending the evening performance, they will require a ticket unless they are a pre-school child. The cost of the tickets is to cover the performance fee that school has to pay as well as to cover the costs of props/costumes.

KS2 Christmas Service at St Peter's Church

We will be holding our KS2 Christmas Service at **7:00pm on Wednesday 18th December.** Parents are very welcome to come and join the service which will be led by our Y5 & 6 pupils. We will have a collection on this evening, which will be split between St Peter's Church and Claire House.

Parent Governor Nominations:

Yesterday, your child should have come home with a letter from our Chair of Governors- John Halliday. We are currently in the process of recruiting two parent governors to join our governing body. Parents play a very important role on our Governing Body and are a vital part of our team, helping the school to meet the needs of the children and the community we serve. If you choose to offer yourself as a candidate to become a parent governor, you should complete the nomination form, including the details of a proposer and seconder, and return it to the school office by **Friday 6th December 2019 at 3:00pm.** If there are more nominations than vacancies on the Governing Body, it will be necessary to hold an election. The election would take place w/c 9th December 2019.

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Key Dates for this half term:

Date	Event
Thursday 28 th November 2019	Futsal competition at Tranmere Rovers Football Club 9:00am-12:00pm
Friday 29 th November 2019	Christmas Fair @3:30pm- 6:00pm – We need a lot of helpers on this afternoon/evening. If you are able to help, please add your name to the clipboard in the reception area.
Monday 2 nd December 2019	Wreath making workshop- PTA
Monday 9 th December 2019	Heswall Round Table Santa's Wagon@6:20pm. Please note children cannot attend this event.
Monday 9 th December 2019	Y3 Singing performance for parents 2:45pm-3:15pm.
Wednesday 11 th December 2019	F2 & KS1 Christmas Performance at 9:30am. Tickets will be limited for this event.
Wednesday 11 th December 2019	F2 & KS1 Christmas Performance at 6:00pm. Tickets will be limited for this event.
Thursday 12th December 2019	School closed due to being used as a polling station for the General Election.
Friday 13 th December 2019	Christmas Lunch day and Christmas Shop day (PTA). Children can wear a Christmas jumper to school with their school uniform.
Monday 16 th December 2019	Breakfast with Santa event (PTA) tickets are available through ParentPay.
Tuesday 17 th December 2019	Christmas Marathon Day- Sponsored event to raise money for school.
Wednesday 18 th December 2019	Christmas Service (KS2) at St Peter's Church @ 7:00pm
Thursday 19 th December 2019	Christmas Cinema Trip to the Light Cinema.
Friday 20 th December 2019	Break up today at 2:30pm.
Christmas Holiday	
Monday 6 th January 2020	Inset day- Children not in school
Tuesday 7 th January 2020	Children return to school
Tuesday 21 st January 2020	Lantern making workshop at Heswall Primary School at 3:45pm.
Thursday 23 rd January 2020	Science Under the Stars event at Heswall Primary School 4:00pm-6:00pm
Monday 27 th January 2020	Cross Country at Arrowe Park @4:15pm
Tuesday 28 th January 2020	Full Governors meeting at 6:00pm.
Thursday 6 th February 2020	Y5 Class assembly at 2:40pm- 3:15pm
Wednesday 12 th February 2020	Parents' Evening- 3:30pm- 7:00pm
Thursday 13 th February 2020	Y6 visit to Crucial Crew (AM)
Thursday 13 th February 2020	Parents' Evening- 3:30pm- 7:00pm
Friday 14 th February 2020	Break up for half term holiday.

Thank you for your support.

Kind regards,

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