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Newsletter 9- 12.11.19

Dear Parents & Carers,

School Value for this half term



Our school value for this half term is respect. We will be focusing on this in assemblies and staff will be identifying children to receive the value award in our celebration assembly on Fridays.

Cake Sale

Our cake sale, which was organised by the School Council, raised a wonderful £100.00 for the RSPCA. Many thanks to everyone for donating the cakes and supporting the event. This will be added to the birthday money donations and given to the RSPCA.



PTA meeting

Many thanks to everyone who came along to the PTA meeting last night. The PTA have been working hard making preparations for the Christmas Fair which is taking place on **Friday 29th November 2019**. This year, the fair will start at 3:30pm straight after school. They really need volunteers to support on the afternoon so if you are able to help please contact the PTA or leave your name on the clip board in the reception area. We need a lot of people to make sure that the stalls can be appropriately staffed and to make the event a real success so please do volunteer even if it is just for a short period of time!



Monster Ball

Our Monster Ball, really was a huge success and it was wonderful to see all the children dressed up in their spooky costumes. Huge thanks to the PTA for organising such a fantastic event and to the staff who supported on the evening. The pumpkins were also a wonderful addition and there were so many creative designs!



Eco-team Snowdrop fund.

Huge thanks to everyone for supporting the Eco-team with their fundraising idea to raise money to buy some snowdrops to help early pollinators. We were over-whelmed with the number of children wearing a headband and making a donation. The Eco-team have managed to raise £87.41 which is absolutely wonderful! The Eco-team will shortly be planting the snowdrop bulbs. We have added some photographs from the day to our twitter feed.

Reminder: F2 Reading workshop sessions for parents- Tuesday 12th November 2019

Mrs Such and Miss Spearing will be holding a session for F2 parents on **Tuesday 12th November at 6:00pm**. For this session we would like you to bring your child in with you. For the first part of the meeting the children will have a story read to them by Miss Spearing, as Mrs Such will give a brief insight into the reading process to parents. Parents will then be able to work with their child on some of the activities set up in the hall.



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Reminder: Reading information sessions for Y1- Y6 parents:

There will be a reading information session for parents of Y1- Y6 children on **Wednesday 13th November 2019**. The session will start in the hall at 6:00pm where I will give a short update to parents regarding our school development plan in relation to reading. Then class teachers will lead a presentation based on supporting parents in further understanding how reading is taught across the school. Children are welcome to attend this session but we will expect them to remain with you during this time. They might like to bring their reading book with them to keep them occupied whilst listening to the presentations!

Anti- Bullying week 'Change starts with us'



Well done to all our Y5 children who performed in front of all the schools attending the anti-bullying conference at Woodchurch High School commencing the start of anti-bullying week. They performed brilliantly and with so much confidence. Many thanks to Katye Walsh from MyEsteem for organising the event and inviting us to present. Huge thanks to Mrs Hulley for supporting the children to put the play together with very limited time!

The children gained so much from attending the conference and now have a wealth of activities to share with everyone in school.

Many thanks to everyone who has supported Odd Sock Day today. It has been a wonderful opportunity to celebrate being unique and the importance of individuality!



Reminder: Children in Need on Friday 15th November 2019

The children can come to school wearing their own clothes or something spotty or Pudsey related on Friday 15th November as we demonstrate our support for Children in Need 2019. In return for this, they need to bring a minimum donation of £1.00. We will be sending all our donations to the charity.

General Election- School closure

As previously shared via Eschools, please remember that school will be closed on Thursday 12th December 2019 due to the school being used as a polling station for the General Election. Many apologies for any inconvenience caused on this day. Our F2 and KS1 nativity performance has been moved to the evening of **Wednesday 11th December at 6:00pm**.

Rotary Shoe Boxes



Thank you so much to all the families who managed to fill a box for the Rotary Shoe Box Scheme. The Rotary Club have been to collect the boxes and they will be making their way over to Eastern Europe to spread a little happiness this Christmas!



School Photographs

Orders for school photographs need to be returned by Thursday 14th November 2019.

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Key Dates for this half term:

| Date | Event |
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| 11 th November- 15 th November | Anti-bullying week- ' Change starts with us ' |
| Tuesday 12 th November 2019 | Odd Sock Day- Children to wear odd socks to school as part of our anti-bullying week. |
| Tuesday 12 th November 2019 | F2 Reading workshop session for parents at 6:00pm- children should attend this event. |
| Tuesday 12 th November 2019 | Sports Hall Athletics Event (Y5 & 6 team) at Bebington 4:00pm-6:00pm. |
| Wednesday 13 th November 2019 | Y1-Y6 Reading workshop session for parents at 6:00pm. Presentation in the hall from Mrs McAleny regarding reading updates from the school development plan followed by a session with class teachers based on how reading is taught at Gayton. |
| Thursday 14 th November 2019 | Y6 to attend Heswall Methodist Church 9:30am-11:30am. |
| Thursday 14 th November 2019 | New intake (2020-2021) tour of school at 9:15am. Please book via the school office. |
| Friday 15 th November 2019 | Children in Need Day- Children can wear their own clothes or something Pudsey related in return for a £1.00 minimum donation to Children to Need. |
| Tuesday 19 th November 2019 | Film Club (3:30pm-5:15pm) Toy Story 4. |
| Wednesday 20 th November 2019 | Sports Hall Athletics Event at Gayton (Y5 & 6) St Peter's school visiting (4:00pm- 5:00pm) |
| Thursday 21 st November 2019 | Christingle Service for Y3 pupils who are performing at the Church of the Good Shepherd. |
| Friday 22 nd November 2019 | Donations for the Christmas fair in return for children wearing their own clothes to school. |
| Tuesday 26 th November 2019 | New intake (2020-2021) tour at 1:30pm. Please book via the school office. |
| 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 | F2- Y6 Flu Immunisations |
| Monday 2 nd December 2019 | Wreath making workshop- PTA |
| Monday 9 th December 2019 | Heswall Round Table Santa's Wagon- Please note children cannot attend this event. |
| 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 12 th 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. |

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| Monday 16 th December 2019 | Breakfast with Santa event (PTA) tickets will be 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. |
| Thursday 19 th December 2019 | Christmas Cinema Trip to the Light Cinema. |
| Friday 20 th December 2019 | Break up today at 2:30pm. |

Thank you for your support.

Kind regards,

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