

Signpost

Dear Parents

I hope you all had a lovely half term; the children were bursting to share their news when they returned to school after the break! This will be a very busy and exciting half term as we approach Christmas. Please check you've noted the key diary dates for your child.

Thank you for all the donations to Children in Need today. Together we have raised £267 for this good cause. We have already received several shoeboxes for the appeal Operation Christmas Child. If your child has misplaced the leaflet explaining the appeal and the shoebox labels, there are spares at the school office. Please send filled and wrapped boxes to school by **Friday 20th November**.



We were pleased to welcome Mrs Sumner and Mrs Gadd back to school this week. They are enjoying being back in the classroom. Mrs Burnham visited Red Class this week, and is hoping to return to school later this month. We also have a new caretaker in school. Mr Pulling joined us after half term and is already improving the look of our outdoor areas.

Children in Year One and Year Two are becoming Bug Club experts! Many are reading books online at home as well as at school, and are enjoying collecting the bug rewards. Fairy tales are the focus for Reception children at the moment. Each time I visit there are princesses, knights and a host of characters exploring the fairytale castle in the reading area, constructing make-believe kingdoms and having a magical time. It's becoming magical in Year One too as children explore the Enchanted Woodland this half term. In Year Two music is in the air for the Beat Band Boogie topic.

We have all noticed the evenings drawing in and the weather turning colder. Some days it takes a great effort to get dressed and all we want to do is snuggle up in our jim jams with hot chocolate and a good book. Well, on Friday 27th November we can! We are having a Snuggle and Story day. Children may come to school in onesies or pyjamas (please bring proper shoes and coat for playtimes) and we will spend some time during the day snuggled up reading or listening to stories. Teddies are welcome! We are also asking children to bring in bars of chocolate – not to eat on the day, but to save for our Chocolate Tombola on Christmas Fair day. Last year your chocolate donations helped raise over £500 towards extra resources for our children.

Mrs Benson and the SIA Squad have been very busy choosing equipment and designing our new playground. Over the next few weeks you will begin to see the results of their deliberations! I am sure you will appreciate this is a very expensive venture. We are continuing to apply for funding and will be holding fundraising events over the next few months. We have also had a few offers of help to make/build equipment or sponsor areas. If you are able to contribute to the project, please let us know.

Thank you.

Allie Majer

Christingle Service – we will be holding a Christingle Service for the children on Tuesday 1st December. Please could all children bring in an **ORANGE**, to make their Christingle with, on **Monday 30th November**. Please DO NOT send an alternative citrus fruit – it really needs to be a lovely round fat orange!!

New Entrant Forms – Children starting school for the first time September 2016 – packs have now been issued; please ensure you complete your application either online or by paper copy returned to the infant school office. Please contact the school office if you have not yet received your pack.

Year 2 to Year 3 Transfer to Junior Forms – please ensure they are completed either on-line or by paper copy to be returned to the infant school office asap.

Cold weather – As the weather is changeable and we are having increasing spells of cold and wet conditions, may I ask that all children have appropriate footwear and coats.

13th November 2015



Christmas Fair

Friday 11th December 2.30 p.m.

More details to follow

Lucky Bag stall

Could you help donate goodies to put in our 'lucky bags'? Little treats such as sweets, crayons, homemade cookies, hair clips, marbles etc. (in fact anything that appeals to children and fits into a bag!) can be put in the white paper bags (**in your child's book bag soon**). Please could you decorate/colour it to make it look nice, then bring them into school as soon as possible.

Wine Bottles/ Bottle bags

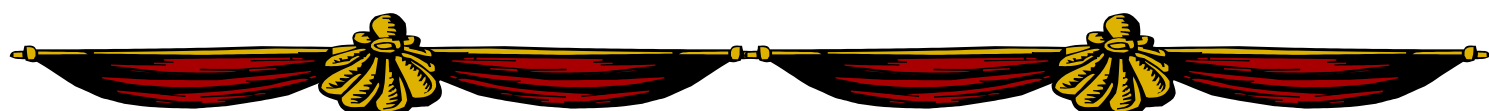
We need wine bottle bags, full wine bottles (screw top) and empty wine bottles for our 'Water to Wine' stall. If you have any, please could you deliver them to the school office – please do not send them in with your child.

Cake stall

Please send in any donations of cakes (homemade or bought) to the school office on the morning of the Christmas Fair.

Raffle

If you have any prizes you would like to donate or know any companies that are willing to donate, could you please send them into the school office as soon as possible.



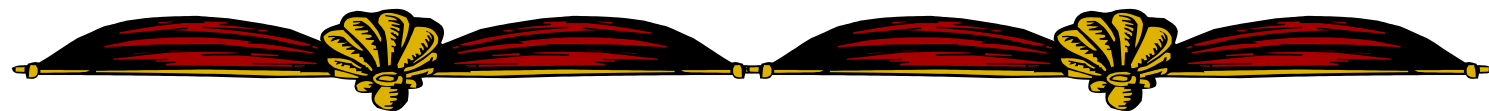
DIARY DATES

NOV

Fri 20th	Year 2 Celebration Assembly 9.10am
Fri 20th	Last Day for shoeboxes
Fri 27th	Year 1 Celebration Assembly 9.10am
Wed 25th	NSPCC Assembly (children only)
Wed 25th	Year 2 Multi-skills Festival - Green Class and half of Pink Class
Fri 27th	Year 1 Celebration Assembly
Fri 27th	Snuggle and story day – don't forget your teddy and chocolate bar!
Mon 30th	Flu vaccinations
Mon 30th	All children to bring an orange to school for Christingle

DEC

Tue 1st	Christingle (children only)				
Wed 2nd	Year 2 Multi-skills Festival – Rainbow Class and half of Pink Class				
Thurs 3rd	Wreath making				
Green Class	9.00am – 10.30am	Pink Class	10.30am – 12.00pm	Rainbow Class	1.15pm – 2.45pm
Fri 4th	Final Celebration Assembly				
Tue 8th	Blue Class Christmas Performance 9.30am				
Wed 9th	Red Class Christmas Performance 9.30am				
Thurs 10th	Yellow Class Christmas Performance 9.30am				
Fri 11th	Year 1 Christmas Assembly 9am				
Fri 11th	Christmas Fair 2.30pm				
Mon 14th	Christmas Dinner Day				
Tue 15th	Reception Party Day				
Wed 16th	Year 1 Party Day				
Thurs 17th	Year 2 Party Day				
Fri 18th	Year 2 Christmas Assembly				
Fri 18th	Christmas Jumper Day				
Fri 18th	End of Term 3.10pm				



Class Attendance – The percentage attendances for the week ending 16/10/15

The 100% attendance sticker and certificate was not awarded this week.

Blue Class 95.2%, Yellow Class 95.7%, Red Class 94.0%, Orange Class 91.6%, Silver Class 99.0%, Purple Class 97.9%, Rainbow Class 98.9%, Green Class 97.2% and Pink Class 94.0%

The average attendance for every child should be 95.0% or higher.

Class Attendance – The percentage attendances for the week ending 23/10/15

The 100% attendance sticker and certificate was not awarded this week.

Blue Class 92.1%, Yellow Class 97.0%, Red Class 92.0%, Orange Class 92.6%, Silver Class 95.0%, Purple Class 96.9%, Rainbow Class 90.4%, Green Class 95.2% and Pink Class 91.0%

The average attendance for every child should be 95.0% or higher.

Class Attendance – The percentage attendances for the week ending 06/11/15

The 100% attendance sticker and certificate was not awarded this week.

Blue Class 97.8%, Yellow Class 98.8%, Red Class 98.3%, Orange Class 95.6%, Silver Class 93.3%, Purple Class 97.4%, Rainbow Class 97.4%, Green Class 73.2% and Pink Class 98.7%

The average attendance for every child should be 95.0% or higher.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
FITC – Year 2 21 st Sept – 7 th Dec Collect from Hall 4.20pm	Ukulele - Year 2 22 nd Sept – 1 st Dec Collect from Year 2 door 4.10pm	Recorders – Year 1 & Year 2 23 rd Sept – 2 nd Dec Collect from Reception door 4.10pm	Fit n Fun – Year 1 & Year 2 24 th Sept – 10 th Dec Collect from Hall 4.10pm
Lego Club – Year 2/Group 2 9 th Nov – 7 th Dec Collect from Year 1 door 4.10pm	Yoga – Year 1 & Year 2 22 nd Sept – 1 st Dec Collect from Hall 4.10pm	Martial Arts – Year 1 & Year 2 23 rd Sept – 2 nd Dec Collect from Hall 4.10pm	



NEXT EDITION: FRIDAY 27TH NOVEMBER 2015