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**Newsletter No.13**

Dear Parent/Carers Friday 9th December 2016

**Christmas Fair**

Thank you to everyone who came and supported the Christmas Fair on Saturday, and a special thank you to all the parents, carers, staff and children who gave up their time to help.  We will announce how much money we raised soon.

**Carols Round the Tree (Friday 16th December, 2pm)**

The PTA would like to invite you to join them for refreshments, before carols round the tree, on Friday 16th December at 2pm.  Please return the slip at the bottom of the newsletter to the school office no later than Tuesday 13th December so that they know how many to cater for.  There will be a charity pot for donations.

**Lantern Parade**

**Please note that due to the forecasted heavy rain and strong winds the event has been postponed until January.**

**Year 5 Chess Trip**

Year 5 are off to London on Tuesday to see the start of The Grand Master’s Tournament at Olympia in South Kensington. They will also have the opportunity to gain some tuition and to play against other schools. I know they will all have a great time.

**Concerts/Chosen Charities**

As always the children perform their concerts free of charge but we know that many of you like to give a donation to charity. This year the school council have selected a local epilepsy charity and also Water Aid. We will let you know how much has been raised in the New Year.

**We ask that children arrive for their evening concert at 5.30pm (no earlier please).**

**Christmas Jumper Day/Parties**

Our Christmas parties are next Thursday and on this day children can wear their Christmas jumpers to school. Any money donated will go to the student council charity collection.

If we have food left over from the parties we will take it to the local food bank on Friday.

Food lists will go up in your classroom(s) so please sign up so that we get a variety. Thank you.

**Year 1-6 Tobacco Factory**

Years 1 to 6 will all be going to The Tobacco Factory on Wednesday 11th January to see Cinderella. The payment option has now been placed on Schoolcomms at £3.50 per child so that you can settle this amount. Many thanks.

**Toy Day**

Next Friday is the last day of term and children are allowed to bring in toys and games as long as they do not require charging or plugging in. **Please do not send in anything precious or valuable.**

**Athletics**

Well done to our athletics team who really put all they had into the meeting this week and worked brilliantly as a team. We are very proud of you all.

**Christmas Dinner**

A huge thank you to the kitchen staff who once again produced a delicious Christmas dinner at school. Also many thanks to all the governors and staff who helped make this special for the children.

**Uniform**

We have placed the uniform order which should arrive at the start of term. However, we have some Waterproof Fleeces (end of line stock) at a reduced price of £7 available on a first come first served basis. 1 x 5/6yr, 1 x 7/8yr, 1 x 9/10yr and 5 x 11/12yr. Please call in at the office if you wish to make a purchase.

**End of Term**

We break up next Friday 16th December for the Christmas holidays and the children return to school on Wednesday 4th January.

**Attendance**

This week’s figures are:

**Penguin 95%**  Robin 94% Flamingo 93.4% **Crow 95.9%**

**Falcon 95.2% Kingfisher 97.3% Blue Jay 95.7%**

Yours sincerely

Ms V Champeney

Headteacher

**Carols around the Tree – Friday 16 December, 2pm**

I will be attending the pre-Christmas carol refreshments.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (please print)

Including yourself please indicate how many people you will be bringing \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (approx).

I can help out at this event: Name (print): ……………………………………………………….

mobile/email:…………………………………………..

**PLEASE RETURN THIS SLIP TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE NO LATER THAN TUES 13 DECEMBER**