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Outwoods Primary School Newsletter

5th December 2019



Dear Parents/Carers,

The sound of the children singing Christmas songs fills every classroom at the moment and I can't wait to see all of the productions over the next two weeks - it really is a magical time to be in school! Can I thank all of the parents who have helped get costumes ready and have learned lines with their children - we really do appreciate it! Every child in a school performance matters, from the narrators to the actors and singers - all of the children work hard and are encouraged to develop their confidence and enjoy performing to friends and family.

I'd just like to add a huge thank you to all of the staff, children and parents who have made this half term so enjoyable for me. It has been exciting and memorable, and I am looking forward to sharing 2020 with the Outwoods family.

Best Wishes, Mrs Taylor



Christmas Fayre

Just a reminder that our annual Christmas Fayre will be held this Friday at 3.15pm. Thank you so much for your donations - the hampers and prizes this year are AMAZING! Raffle tickets have come home with children this week. Each class has a prize so the chances of winning are even greater.



Winter Handwashing Campaign

As part of the Warwickshire 'Feel Well in Winter' campaign, the public health department are wanting to promote very simple messages about the importance of handwashing as one of the most effective ways to control infection and guard against winter bugs. It also protects against the winter vomiting bug 'Norovirus', which can spread rapidly. 'Norovirus' is a commonly occurring virus in the winter months which can cause vomiting and diarrhoea. In school we will be more vigilant with handwashing and good handwashing techniques supported by the school health team. It is important to note that children with symptoms of 'Norovirus' should stay away from school

until 48 hours after their symptoms stop.

For further advice and some fun educational activities, log onto the e-bug website with your child at www.e-bug.eu



Play can be a messy business!

Children often throw themselves wholeheartedly into the business of exploring the world around them, with little concern for grass stains on their clothes and paint in their hair and on clothing - we feel this is exactly how it should be!

Often parents can get very hung up on clothing at the end of a busy day but the children never notice. When parents voice concerns over the appropriateness of messy play we often feel very under pressure to send home very clean and tidy children at the cost of limiting playful sensory learning and discovery.

If you are worried about your child getting dirty please don't send them in their best clothes - save them for family time!



Marle Hall

We would like to wish all of the Year 6 children well on their travels to Marle Hall next week. We know they'll have a fun-packed week with lots of learning squeezed in too.



Dates to Remember....



Friday 6th December
The School Choir are performing in Atherstone Market Square at 12.30pm

Wed 18th December
Christmas Dinner Day
(Christmas jumpers can be worn)



Friday 20th December

We have arranged for a wonderful theatre company to come into school and perform the pantomime "Aladdin" for all of the children on the morning of Friday 20th Dec. This is their fourth visit and each one has been brilliant, so we are all really looking forward to it.

Due to the panto our end of term assembly will be on Thursday where we will give out our last gold ribbons and birthday badges of 2019.



Friday 6th December
School Christmas Fayre held in the Upper School Hall at 3.15pm



Monday 9th December
Year 6 children leave for their Marle Hall Trip.

Thursday 12th December
Nursery ONLY will be closed for the Polling Station. All other year groups in as normal!



Thursday 12th December
Christmas Lantern Parade - arrive at school at 5.30pm and leave at 6pm to walk to St. Marys Church.



Friday 20th December
Children can get one last use of their Christmas jumpers, should they wish!



Friday 13th December
Christmas Jumper Day in aid of 'Save the Children' for a donation of £1.

Coffee and Mince Pies!

Please join us on the last day of term from 2.30pm for coffee and mince pies. Come in from the cold for a cuppa and a chat before you collect your children from school. We will be in the upper school hall.



Wednesday 18th December
The School Choir will be performing at St. Peters Church, Mancetter at 1pm.

Christmas Productions

Nursery - Friday 13th December 10:30am
Reception - Thursday 12th December 9:30am & 2:00pm
Year One - Tuesday 10th December 2:00 & Wednesday 11th 9:30am
Year Two - Monday 9th December 2:00 & Tuesday 10th 9:30am
Year Three - Monday 16th December 2pm & Tuesday 17th 9:30
Year Four and Five - Wednesday 11th December 1:30 & 6:30pm

You should now have received your performance tickets.

