



## November 2023 Newsletter

Christmas is fast approaching and FOG have organised a fabulous Christmas Fair for our school community. Our Christmas Fair will be held on <u>Friday 1st December 5pm-7pm.</u>

Friends and family members of present and former pupils are welcome. However, we reserve the right to decline entry if there is no affiliation with the school.

<u>Friday 1st December</u> is also Christmas Jumper Day. Children may wear a Christmas jumper or a t-shirt, Santa hat, headband, etc. - please don't buy something especially. Children are to wear school uniform on their bottom half and something Christmassy on their top half in return for a donation to the Christmas Fair. This could be festive chocolates, biscuits, toiletries, unwanted gift sets etc. Thank you.

In the main office reception area you will find a white double-sided bookcase with self-help, child friendly, mental health picture books. Some example topics they cover are anxiety, grief and anger. The books can be a very helpful starting point when discussing emotions and/or challenges with children. Parents can borrow a book (just one at a time please) by completing a signing out slip which you should give to one of the ladies in the office. The loan period is two weeks.

We have started to use the school noticeboard again to support communication. It is situated on the wall as you walk along the main entrance on to the playground. There are a couple of notices already there for your attention.



If you have any unwanted traditional Lego please donate it to school. © Thank you.

Also, Reception classes would love any empty kitchen roll tubes or wrapping paper tubes.

We are currently advertising for additional Midday Supervisors to join our current hardworking team. Please contact the school office or look on the DDAT website if you are interested.

On the whole attendance is looking really positive throughout school. We have given twenty four £20 vouchers to classes for 100% attendance so far this year. Wow! Could we please remind parents that children from Reception - Year 6 have to be in school by 9am. Gates and classroom doors all shut at 9am. Reception children are to be collected at 3.10pm, Key Stage 1 children at 3.15pm and Key Stage 2 children at 3.20pm.



Thank you for your generosity we raised just over £300 for Children In Need. We also donated 27 boxes to the Teams4U charity.

INSET Days 2023-24

Friday 2nd February, Friday 12th July, Monday 15th July

## Dates for your diary

Week beginning 27th November and 4th December - Maths workshops for parents	
Fri 1 Dec	Christmas jumper day for a donation to the Christmas Fair
Fri 1 Dec	Christmas Fair 5-7pm
Wed 6 Dec	Nursery Christmas Crafts 11am and 2.30pm
Wed 6 Dec	Key Stage 1 nativity performance in the afternoon 2pm
Thurs 7 Dec	Key Stage 1 nativity performances in the morning and afternoon 9.30am and 2pm
Wed 13 Dec	Reception nativity performance 9.30am
Wed 13 Dec	Nursery nativity performance 11am and 2.30pm
Mon 18 Dec	Reception Elf Day
Mon 18 Dec	Year 3 and Year 4 Christmas parties
Tues 19 Dec	Year 1, Year 2 and Year 5 Christmas parties
Wed 20 Dec	Reception Stay and Craft 9:15am-10:15am
Wed 20 Dec	Nursery Christmas party
Thurs 21 Dec	Year 6 Christmas party
Fri 22 Dec	Reception Christmas party
Fri 22 Dec	Break up for the Christmas holiday (normal time)
Mon 8 Jan 2024	Spring term starts
Thurs 11 Jan	6pm FOG meeting-all welcome
Fri 19 Jan	Year 2 World Religion Day Assembly 9.05am
Tues 23 Jan	Reception parents-phonics workshop 2.15pm
Fri 26 Jan	3HM Class Assembly 9.05am
Thurs 1 Feb	5U Class Assembly
Fri 2 Feb	INSET 3
2.00	



## PARKING PARKING PARKING

I really don't know what else to say. PARK AWAY FROM SCHOOL AND WALK!

Not only is the parking situation near school incredibly dangerous, it is also illegal. Someone, most likely a child, is going to get injured or worse.

Buses and emergency vehicles can't get to their destination! What will happen if we need an ambulance at school for a child? Also, parents have now decided it is normal to leave their car on the front lawn and driveways of private homes.

The whole parking situation is ridiculous. PLEASE PARK AWAY FROM SCHOOL AND WALK.

Thank you.