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Outwoods Primary School



Newsletter



11th November 2016

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to latest edition of the Outwoods Newsletter which sees winter setting in. And with the colder weather in mind, can I ask you to please send your child with a coat to wear, so that they avoid the chills?

It is pleasing to report that our children are working really hard and enjoying school life. Many have recently enjoyed some exciting school trips which I'm know they thoroughly enjoyed. In particular, year 2 had a fabulous time at RAF Cosford whilst years 3 and 4 had a super time at Blists Hill where they were able to experience the Victorian way of life. All of the children represented our school with with superb behaviour, which makes me very proud of them.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank you all for the commitment to our recent sponsored walk. It was tremendous success and has raised over £1000 to date with still more to come! And on that note, if you still have sponsor money to collect, can you do so as soon as possible, so that we can report our grand total of money raised?

Mrs. Dandy



Family Photo Session

On Saturday 19th November, Academy Photos are coming along to the school for a family photo session, from 9 -12. The session will take place in the upper school hall. You can

book a slot direct with the photographer by phoning Academy Photos. There is a flier with all the details coming home with your children.

Winter Bugs

Now that winter is upon us, there is likely to be an increase in winter bugs and sniffles. The school encourages regular hand washing to reduce the likelihood of passing on of these viruses, and we would urge parents and carers to do the same.

For hints and tips on how to avoid picking up nasty infections you can visit the following websites:

www.e-bug.eu and also
www.feelwellcovworks.nhs.uk



Children in Need

Friday 18th November 2016 is Children in Need day. This is a non-uniform day for a donation of £1 or an item donation for the Christmas Fair. Pudsey Bear wristbands are available from the school office for £1. There will also be a cake/biscuit sale to raise funds for the event and again donations for this sale will be very much appreciated. Thank you!



Christmas Productions



Nursery	Friday 9 th December at 10am
Reception	Wednesday 7 th December 2:00pm and Thursday 8 th December 9:30am
Year 1	Tuesday 6 th December 2:00pm and Wednesday 7 th December 9:30am
Year 2	Monday 5 th December 2:00pm and Tuesday 6 th December 9:30am
Years 3, 4 & 5	Thursday 8 th December 1:45pm and 6:30pm

Children will be bringing home further details and ticket booking forms soon.

Christmas Fair

Our Christmas Fair is due to take place on
Friday 2nd December at 3:30pm
Everyone Welcome



- ❄️ Santa's Grotto ❄️ Crafts and gifts ❄️ Tombola ❄️
❄️ Grand raffle ❄️ Toys and games ❄️ Refreshments ❄️
❄️ Carol Singers ❄️ Chocolate fountain ❄️ Loads more!!!! ❄️

This is our main fund-raiser of the year, so let's make this a bumper year!

Donations of items for the fair or raffle prizes are always gratefully received and if possible could they please be in school before November 25th to enable the PTA to sort and organise them?

*Children will be bringing home raffle tickets on November 21st followed by a plate with a request for cakes or chocolates on the 28th. **Thank you in anticipation of your generous support which benefits all of your children !***

Important Dates

- Friday 18th November - Children in Need (non uniform day)
Saturday 19th November - Family Photo Session
Thursday 24th November (9:10am) - Year 6 Assembly
Friday 2nd December - Christmas Fair (non uniform day)
Monday 5th December - Year 6 Residential Trip to Marle Hall
Wednesday 14th December - Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Dinner
Thursday 15th December - Visiting Pantomime in school
Friday 16th December - School breaks up (return on Wednesday January 4th)



Year 6 SATS Meeting



Parents and carers of Year 6 pupils are invited to attend a meeting on Thursday 17th November at 5.30 pm where we will be providing information about the SATS which are due to take place in May next year. In addition, there will be an opportunity to ask questions and discuss any concerns you may have and purchase revision guides..

READING

We have some lovely new reading books in school and are really encouraging our children to enjoy reading and books every day. You can help by listening to your child read at home and discussing their books as much as you can!

Defibrillator

We are delighted to announce that we now have a defibrillator (AED) in school thanks to the generous donation and hard work of the Gurney family who took part in fundraising including a half marathon. Last week six staff were trained in CPR and using the device which is a machine used to give an electric shock when a person is in cardiac arrest, i.e. when the heart stops beating normally. Cardiac arrest can affect people of any age and without warning. If this happens, swift action in the form of early cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and prompt defibrillation can help save a person's life. I am sure you will agree that is a real asset to our school and community and we would like to pass on our heart felt thanks to Mr and Mrs Gurney and the SADS charity for enabling us to have this potentially life saving piece of equipment and the essential first aid training.