December 13th 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

**Christmas Bazaar**

What a fantastic day the children have had today at the Christmas Bazaar! The Year 5 and 6 games were enjoyed by all and ‘Elfridges was a flurry of cutting and wrapping. Many thanks for all the donations you sent in, and the time given by the PTA to run the event. The payment item is still available on Parent Pay for anyone who has not made a donation towards the running of the event.

**Key Stage 1 Nativity**

Congratulations to the children in Year 1 and 2 - their nativity performances were amazing! I am sure anyone who watched it would agree with me that the confidence they all displayed on stage was far beyond their years and I hope that they all feel incredibly proud. We are all very proud of them! Many thanks to the staff who helped to make it happen and to all of the families for help with costumes, line learning, encouragement and for joining us for the shows.

**DT sewing - Monday**

If anyone else is available to support in the **Year 3 and 4** classrooms with threading needles and general encouragement for the children, you are welcome to join us either from 10am – 12 or 1.15 – 3pm.

**Santa Fun Run**

On Tuesday 17th December the children will be taking part in a fun run to raise money for Katherine House Hospice. By raising £550, our school could fund a special Christmas dinner (and lunch and breakfast!) for all the patients on the hospice’s inpatient ward on Christmas Day. We will provide the children with a Santa hat on the day and each class will run together around the playground (weather permitting!). **Please send your child in to school in their PE kits and trainers on that day.**

If you would like to sponsor your child to run by making a donation to Katherine House Hospice you can do so using this link:-

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/wychwood1732543539883?newPage=true>

**After School Clubs – next term**

All next term’s clubs are now available to book following the links shown in last week’s email. Please make bookings by the 16th December so that we can finalise bookings in any oversubscribed clubs.

**Message from Eco-Council**

A reminder to return your Cut your Carbon forms so that we can issue certificates next week.

**Lost Property**

We have a large amount of lost property in school. This will be out on the playground next week, weather permitting. Please do take a moment when you’re in the playground to take a look through. Some children are not so good at recognising their own possessions!

**Talk from Burford Headteacher on children’s use of mobile phones**

Mr Albrighton, headteacher of Burford School, will be joining our school on **Friday 24th January at 8:45am** to present a short talk to parents of children in Year 4, 5 and 6 about the use of mobile phones by children and young people. Following the presentation, he will then be available to talk to parents and answer any questions you may have about Burford School.

**Dates for the Autumn Term**

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| **Date** | **Details** | **Who** |
| 17th December | Santa Funrun for Katherine House Hospice | All |
| 18th December | Christmas Lunch | All |
| 20th December | Christmas Service at St Mary’s Church | Year 3 & 4 |
| 20th December | Last day of term – 1.30pm finish  Christmas jumper day! | All |
| 6th January | INSET Day | All |
| 24th January | Talk by Burford Head – Mr Albrighton | Parents of Year 4,5 & 6 |

**Birthday Book Donations**

Happy Birthday to Edward (Oak). Thank you for donating a book to your class. We hope you have a special day! If you would like to donate a book, please collect a donation sticker from the school office.

Thank you for your continuing support.

Katy Gent

Headteacher

Wychwood CE Primary School