

WOODBOROUGH CE PRIMARY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS NEWSLETTER EXTRA

As it will soon be the season to be jolly, as promised here are some festive notices of things to come between now and the end of this term.

'Oh yes it is' pantomime time...

Thanks to the generosity of the PTA we are all looking forward to a performance of 'Aladdin' here in school on this afternoon (Tuesday 22nd November) After that we're certain to be feeling a little more Christmassy!

Christmas Hampers

In keeping with tradition, the PTA have now sent out raffle tickets (via children's book bags) and are asking parents and friends of the school to contribute items for class hampers. In order to give an extra boost to the filling of the class hampers we are planning to have a mufti day on **Friday 9th December**. All children are invited to wear whatever they like for school on that day (we're looking forward to counting how many Christmas jumpers there might be!) and instead of the usual monetary donation we'd like each child to bring a festive contribution, food or otherwise, for the hamper being assembled by their class.

Fingers crossed for some well-stocked Christmas hampers!

Don't forget that the raffle will be drawn on Friday 16th December.

Christmas Performances

Key Stage 1 present:

'The Camel's Arms'

Tuesday 6th December ~ 2 pm & 6 pm

Wednesday 7th December ~ 6 pm

Key Stage 2 present:

'The Little Shepherd'

Tuesday 6th December ~ 7 pm

Wednesday 7th December ~ 1.45 pm and 7 pm

Admission strictly by numbered ticket only.

News of admission arrangements have been sent home via book bags and ticket allocation has commenced.

Christmas Help

We will soon be putting up lists, in the area just inside the main entrance, asking for help in the Christmas events being run in and around the school. If you don't come into school on a regular basis but are able to offer some help, please give Mrs Hobbs a call and she can add your name to a list. These events rely heavily on parental support and are always busy and fun-filled affairs.

PTA Christmas Fayre

Save the date - Friday 2nd December. Doors open at 2.30 pm. Meet Santa, Christmas crafts and games, raffle, Christmas stalls and gifts.

Advent Concert - St Mary Magdalene Church, Woodborough

Pupils from Key Stage 2 have all been invited to sing a selection of songs from their Christmas performance and join in with this festive evening on Saturday, 3rd December. As you know, we use the Church very regularly for our end of term services and we thought it would be lovely to have school representation at a community event. Members of staff will be on hand to greet the children from 6.15 pm and they can be collected after the service (if parents are unable to stay with them) at 8.00 pm. We do hope that as many pupils as possible from Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will come along and represent Woodborough School.

School Post Box

The school post box will be in situ outside the office from **Monday 5th December** to enable the children to send Christmas cards to one another. Children from KS2 will be appointed 'post people' to oversee regular deliveries. Envelopes should be addressed clearly with the recipient's Christian name, surname and class. Please!

Christmas Arrangements for Pupils in Oak Class

For parents and pupils new to the school, a note of Christmas arrangements will follow from Mrs Wright in due course.

Christmas Lunch

A letter will follow very soon to enable all parents to order a Christmas Lunch for their child(ren) on Wednesday 14th December.

The deadline for ordering a Christmas Lunch is Friday 2nd December at the latest as orders for food will be placed on that date.

If your child is in Key Stage 2 (Cherry, Lime, Elm & Willow Classes) and you have not already paid for a lunch on that date you will need to send in £2.30 with your order. For those who have already made choices for this day, we will assume your child would like the Roast Turkey lunch unless you advise otherwise.

Any volunteers to help staff serve the children their festive feast would be very welcome (tinsel, baubles, Christmas jumpers, etc. are all optional but strongly recommended)!

Roast Turkey with Pigs in Blankets	
or	
Homemade Quorn & Mushroom Wellington	

Roast Potatoes, Garden Peas & Carrot Batons	

	Festive Ice Cream
or	
	Fresh Fruit Salad
	

Oak, Cherry and Willow Classes

Savoury foods, e.g. small sandwiches, sausage rolls, pizza, cheese & pineapple, carrot sticks, cherry tomatoes

Sycamore and Lime Classes

Cakes and biscuits

Maple and Elm Classes

Crisps and snacks

Christmas Parties ~ Thursday, 15th December, all afternoon!

Party Lunch, 12.00 - 1.15 pm. As in recent years, classes from both Key Stages will have their party lunch in the hall. Adult helpers can be quite scarce for this event and so anyone who has some time to help us set up the hall and lay out the food would be very much appreciated, please. Just report to the office from 11.30 am onwards.

Party Food, Similarly, as recent arrangements also proved to be successful, once again we will be allocating party food according to children's classes. Please could parents supply a small amount of food to share according to the following list:

All food donations should be brought into school on the morning of 15th please.

Party Clothes The children may bring party clothes to change into before lunch, in a named carrier bag, please.

Disco As usual, a disco and party games for both Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2, will follow in the afternoon.

Christmas Carol Service

The service will take place at St. Mary Magdalene Church, Woodborough, at 9.30am on **Friday 16th December**. We will meet at Church, although as usual, the staff will walk to Church with any children who need to be dropped off at school.

Parents and visitors are warmly invited to Woodborough Social Club after the Carol Service where coffee and mince pies will be served ahead of the...

PTA Christmas Hamper Raffle

Our Christmas festivities in school conclude with this event at 11.30 am on Friday 16th December. Come along with your fingers crossed that your name will be drawn from the raffle and with sufficient boot space in the car to transport your winning hamper home!

So let the holidays commence EARLY...

Once again we will be finishing school early to commence the Christmas holidays. **School will end at 12.15 pm** when the raffle has been drawn. The school buses will be booked accordingly.

One final festive THANK YOU...

We are conscious that at this time of year when busy parents and friends of the school are even busier than usual, we ask a great deal of additional support in terms of costumes, provision of food, selling of raffle tickets and attendance at a multitude of events, etc. Please be assured that we are all extremely grateful for all of the help we receive and the time that you give.

We'd all like to say a very big THANK YOU to you all and to wish you a very happy Christmas and a restful school holiday (when the time comes).

Advent Concert Reply

Please could you use this tear off slip to let us know if your child(ren) will be attending the Advent Concert.

Name of child:

Year: