

01.12.17	Antarctica Day	DATES TO REMEMBER
02.12.17	Christmas Fair	
04.12.17	Badgers' Assembly	
04.12.17	Dress Rehearsal (School only)	
05.12.17	Christmas Play @ 1.30pm (Dress Rehearsal)	
06.12.17	Christmas Play @ 6pm	
07.12.17	Christmas Play @ 6pm	
08.12.17	LAST FOOTBALL SESSION	
	RESTARTS ON FRIDAY 23RD FEBRUARY 2018	
11.12.17	Wells Christmas Concert (Choir)	
14.12.17	Combe Factor	
15.12.17	Panto - Cinderella	
20.12.17	Christmas Service @ 9.15am Celebration Assembly @ 2.45pm	
21.12.17	INSET DAY	

Feedback following the Head-Teacher's Forum

1.The next Church School inspection was discussed (SIAMS). Mrs Maxwell explained that parents would be asked for their feedback on issues such as, Collective Worship and RE teaching. It was requested that the school treat issues such as the recent terrorist attacks sensitively.

2.Collecting and dropping off arrangements were discussed. Mrs Maxwell apologised for some delays in gate opening times recently. This has been due to some staffing issues. It was agreed that we would try a different collecting arrangement and see if parents were happier with this at the next HT Forum.

3.The general consensus was that parents are happy with the new school uniform and there was general agreement that the children look very smart. Some parents were less happy with the EYFS staff uniform. It was agreed that this would be discussed with staff.

4.It was also agreed that staff would make a concerted effort to ensure that children took home their jumpers at the end of the day.

5.Parents were very happy with the quality and quantity of the trips that the children have been offered this term. Mrs Maxwell acknowledged the support that has been given to us from the PFA which has made these possible.

6.There were some issues raised about the comprehension tasks given to the children for the reading challenge. Mrs Maxwell agreed to discuss these further with staff and reading volunteers.

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Weekly Newsletter

24th November 2017



PRE-SCHOOL

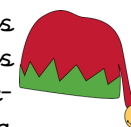
Polar Week - the children will be talking about which animals may live there. The Nativity Rehearsals are going really well and the performance will be on **Thursday 14th December @ 9am.**



Christmas Head -Wear



This year, as an enterprise stall at the Christmas Fayre, the children are going to sell Christmas Cards showcasing a whole school photo. Therefore, on **Monday 27th November** we are asking the children to wear a christmas hat, reindeer antlers etc. for our Christmas Card Photo-shoot.



Pantomime



Reminder: The Pantomime is approaching quickly, Friday 15th December @ the Octagon Theatre. There are still monies outstanding which **MUST** be paid by **Monday 27th November 2017**. If you are unsure as to whether or not you have already paid, please speak to the office.



Stockland Cross Country

The second cross country of the season took place on Wednesday. 16 children once again set out in very windy and muddy conditions. Special Congratulations to Darcie who finished in 3rd place, maintaining her record this season.



Our thanks to the parents for their support and well done to all of the children.

Head-lice

IMPORTANT NOTICE: Please check you child's hair and treat if necessary as Head-lice are visiting the school.



Christmas Fayre

The PFA are requesting the following:

1. Any empty jam jars that you no longer need
2. **A VERY BIG CALL OUT TO VOLUNTEERS FOR THE CHRISTMAS FAYRE TO HELP OUT ON THE DAY!!! PLEASE LET THE OFFICE KNOW IF YOU ARE AVAILABLE. THE PFA REALLY NEED YOU!!!**



The Christmas Fayre is **Saturday 2nd December (11am - 2pm)** and a wonderful start to the Christmas Season.

Underway Meade

Is anyone interested in being a Trustee for Underway Meade? They have a meeting next Tuesday and would like anybody interested to let the school know. If, however, nobody is interested they would like some input from the school as to how they are going to spend the £2,000 they received from Tesco in respect of play equipment for the Meade. Again, if you have any suggestions regarding this, please let the office know in writing before next Tuesday. Many thanks.



Combe Factor

Combe Factor will start at 1.30pm in the village hall on **Thursday 14th December**. Tickets are on sale now @ £1 each to cover the costs of prizes etc. We are also happy to hold a raffle (donated prizes would be great.) Are you free to help set-up on the Thursday morning? If so, please see Mrs Nichols, Mrs Flanagan or Mrs Mooney.

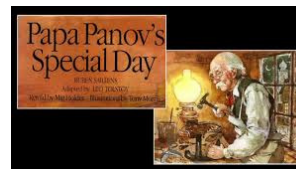


Flu Vaccination - Yrs R/1/2/3/4

If your child missed the Flu Vaccination on Wednesday, there is a catch-up session being held on **14th December 2017 between (4 - 6.30pm)** If you would like your child to attend this session the School Nurse Team need to be contacted on (0300 3230114) by you. Please note that this session is not a drop-in session and therefore you need to let them know you will be attending.

Window Boxes

We hope you have noticed the new planters in the front window boxes. Thank you to Mrs Pearce, Stanley and Beth. A big thank you too the Village Shop who have paid for the plants from their carrier bag collection.



Christmas Play

The Christmas Play this year is on the following dates:

Monday 4th December
(Rehearsal in church) **SCHOOL ONLY**
Tuesday 5th December
@ 1.30pm (Dress Rehearsal)
PARENTS/GRANDPARENTS WELCOME
Wednesday 6th December @ 6pm
PARENTS/GRANDPARENTS WELCOME
Thursday 7th December @ 6pm
PARENTS/GRANDPARENTS WELCOME

The children will be bringing home their costume requirements soon. If you are unable to provide any items, please advise Mrs Bennett.

Last Day of Term 20th December 2017

On the last day of term there will be the following services:

Christmas Service @ 9.15am
EVERYONE IS WELCOME
Celebration Assembly @ 2.45pm
EVERYONE IS WELCOME



As in previous years, we will be holding an end of term Christmas Service in the church. As part of that service the children in Reception will help to tell The Christmas Story by acting the parts and creating a tableaux of the Nativity. Miss Kierstan will advise parents of any costume requirements. We hope parents will be able to join us for that service.

Golden Book

Congratulations to the following children who were in the Golden Book w/c 13th November 2017:

Miss Kierstan's Class
Mrs Bennett's Class
Mrs Cawley's Class
Mrs Rawson's Class
Mr Edward's Class

Archie H & Maisy
William & Leah
Ethan & Gabriel
Megan & Ollie
Warren

