

Dear Parents / Carers,

Firstly, I would like to extend our sincere thanks to everyone who supported last week's Christmas Fair. From the donation of bottles, sharing of cakes, donations of toiletries etc, your response was overwhelming – making our fair such a success.

Thanks must also be extended to our "Friends of Oak Meadow" who worked tirelessly in its organisation. Thank you!

As a result of the hard work and support of everyone, a grand total of approximately £1400 was raised – an amazing sum which will go towards supplementing our pupils' learning resources.

Our competition winners are as follows:

Cake Competition

KS1: Alfie Bryan – RO
Isabelle Turner – 2T
Amiee Smith – 2H

KS2: Dylan Mistry – 4C
Thomas Hardwick – 3T
Evie-Jean Bultitude – 5W

Toiletries Competition – 2H

Congratulations to all who participated so keenly and a special well-done to our winners.

Children in Need

A further thank you for your kind donations towards this national charitable appeal. A sum of £441.95 was raised and has been donated to the appeal. Thank you.

End of Term Events

Following is a reminder of our end of term arrangements:

There will be no after-school club activities during the final week; Funsters will run normal Monday and Tuesday only in the final week of this term – there will be no Funsters on Wednesday, 20th December.

Thursday, 7th December Year 1's Christmas Assembly 9:20 am Friday, 8th December Year 1's Christmas Assembly 9:20 am

Monday, 11th December Whole School Panto – Jack and the Giant Beanstalk (50p donation)

Wednesday, 13th December Reception Christmas Assembly 2:00 pm Thursday, 14th December Reception Christmas Assembly 9:30 am

School Christmas Lunch

Friday, 15th December Christmas Jumper Day (50p donation for Save the Children Charity)

Visit by Father Christmas

Tuesday, 19th December **Year Rec – Y4 Christmas Party 1:30 pm

***Year 5 & 6 Christmas Disco <u>4:30 – 6:30 pm</u> (Buffet food will be available)

Wednesday, 20th December Years 4-6 Carol Service @ St. Alban's Church – approx. 9:20 am

Tuesday, 2nd January School Closed – INSET DAY Wednesday, 3rd January School opens for the Spring Term

** Children in Reception – Year 4 will be allowed to wear their own clothes on this day to eliminate the need to change into their party clothes. We do ask however, that clothing is suitable for outdoor break and lunchtimes to avoid children getting cold whilst playing.

*** A light buffet will be served by The Friends of Oak Meadow. If your child has any allergies or dietary restrictions, please feel free to send in a named plate of food or speak to us about their restrictions. Vegetarians will be catered for.

Inclement Weather

May we remind you of procedures regarding severe winter weather conditions. If we need to close school for the safety of our pupils and staff, you will be informed via our teacher2parent texting service. Please ensure that school has your current mobile telephone number. All school closures are also announced on local radio stations and on Wolverhampton Today's Facebook page.

Dinner/ Milk/ Money

School meals cost £2.10 per day, £10.50 per week (£1.00 per day if on Flexible Charging Scheme). School dinners must be paid for on Monday mornings in advance of the week. It is possible to opt for school meals on certain days of the week but we would ask you to let us know on Mondays which days your child is staying and payment should be sent at the beginning of the week. Payment is best made by cheque, if possible, and this should be made payable to WOLVERHAMPTON C.C. Otherwise, please send in the correct money to order your child's meals. Please note that meals cannot be provided if payment is delayed. Milk money has unfortunately increased and from January will be £12.00 for the term. The final date for payment of milk is Friday, 26th January. (Your child will not be guaranteed milk until it has been paid for).

End of Term Reporting

Reporting your child's progress to you is essential for building our home / school partnership and for supporting your child further in their learning. Therefore, a report will be sent home on Wednesday, 20th December detailing your child's current 'on-track' status for meeting national end of year expectations. The report will also detail your child's progress, effort, attendance and development of key learning skills. We do hope you will find this end of term report informative.

Maths Curriculum Workshop

Both Mr. Clarkson (Maths Subject Leader) and I thank you for your attendance at our recent curriculum workshops – we trust you found them useful. The Workshops will run again in the Spring Term on Wednesday, 21st March, 6:00 pm.

Finally, on behalf of all our children, staff and governors, we wish you all a Happy Christmas and every best wish for a blessed and peaceful new year.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. S. Arnold Headteacher

