Netherton Infant & Nursery School Newsletter

No. 6 Wednesday 17th November 2022

Latest News

Dear Parents/Carers,

Things are busy in school with so many lovely things happening. I'm pleased to say all the playground works are now complete and we have some lovely new areas for children to enjoy. A huge thank you to you ALL for your patience during the last few weeks – we've been in and out in all directions but I hope you'll agree it's been worth the disruption. It has been wonderful to see the children enjoying the new spaces.

We also had the pleasure of M&M Productions and their version of Beauty and the Beast. It was amazing to see the children's reactions to the pantomime and thank you to those of you that gave us some feedback via Facebook – it's always great to hear your views.

Lots to read in this week's newsletter, especially from our FONS team – there are lots of events coming up and at this time of year, it can feel very busy indeed – so take time with a cuppa to go through the dates.

Enjoy!

Mrs Emma Barker Headteacher

Scholastic Book Fair

Thank you to those of you that have already come and had a look at the books available to buy this year. The books are located at the back of the school in our new Bee Hive classroom. It's a great opportunity to get a few Christmas presents but also a chance to see the wonderful classroom, the new EYFS playground and perhaps spot your pom pom on the pom pom wall! There's still two evenings to pop over and take a look. You can pay for books with cash or via your mobile phone.



Pumpkin Patch – New Total

Last newsletter we told you about the funds raised at the Pumpkin Patch event – since then, the total has been revised and we made £228.43 – thank you everyone!

Important Dates

Scholastic Book Fair – all this week.

Friday 18th November - Children In Need

Tuesday 22nd November – Flu Vaccination

Saturday 3rd December – Xmas Fayre

Friday 25th November – INSET day (school closed)

Thursday 24th November – FONS Disco Y1 & Y2

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Friday 2nd December – Non uniform day in exchange for chocolate

Wednesday 14th December – Xmas jumper day

Wednesday 14th December - 6pm Carols with Meltham Brass Band



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Children In Need

A reminder that Children in Need 2022 is this Friday. Children can dress in spots if they wish to. There is absolutely no need for you to buy anything new, or invest in any Children in Need merchandise for this day – you can make your donations online through the link below:



Year 1 and Year 2 Autumn Disco

By popular demand – the autumn disco is back! There's no need to book, just turn up on the night.



Age-Appropriate Viewing

We are getting more and more children talking to other children about what games they are playing and what films/clips they are watching via You Tube – many of which are not age appropriate. This is causing other children to be anxious and sometimes scared.

Please be vigilant with your child's viewing and gaming. There are lots of helpful websites and information for parents to help with setting boundaries and controls on devices. Below is a link to a short video on age-appropriate viewing. The ThinkUKnow site is also a good hub of information:

https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/



Christmas Fayre – Saturday 3rd December

Plans and preparations are underway for the Christmas Fayre – we'll need lots of help and donations, so if you can help in any of the following ways, we'd really appreciate it:

- Donations of bottles for the tombola
- Raffle prizes
- Cakes for the cake stall (donations on the day or evening before)
- Set up or tidy up

If you know of anyone who would like a stall at the fayre, tables are £10 each. Please contact the office on 01484 661832.



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Anti-bullying Week

This week is anti-bullying week, with the theme being 'reach out'. We talked about this in assembly on Monday and children have been thinking about the difference between being mean and bullying behaviour.



Amazon Smile

Every little bit counts - when millions of supporters shop using AmazonSmile, charitable donations quickly add up. Lots of you will be shopping online this Christmas – did you know you can raise money for our school just by shopping through the Amazon Smile website?

It's easy to set up – just go to https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ and log into your account. You then need to look for Netherton Infant & Nursery School, Huddersfield in the drop down menu at the top left hand side.

Road Safety Week

This week is road safety week. We are always very concerned about the traffic that goes past the school on a daily basis and the way people park. School will be working with Toni Wood, Senior Technical Officer for Road Safety & School Travel Plans at Kirklees Council to initiate new plans to help with the situation. We will keep you informed about how this is going.



The Bright Side Fund

The Bright Side Fund is an extra layer of care and funding the school provides to families in need. We know that times are tough for all at the moment, but we want you to know that we are here for you and want to help where we can. In the coming days, your child will receive a discrete slip with more information about what we can do to help. We know that reaching out can be hard, but hopefully this will be a subtle way in which to do it.

