



Banks St Stephen's Primary School



Newsletter

5th December 19

LATE DROP OFF'S & EARLY PICKUP'S

Please Note: The school day starts at 9.00am and finishes at 3.15pm. We seem to have a lot of children who are being dropped off late in the morning and children who are picked up early at night. This causes a lot of disruption both to the office and to the class teacher. Please refrain from picking your child up early unless there is a genuine reason.

Christian Value for this Half Term: Compassion

EARLY YEARS NATIVITY

'THE CHRISTMAS RECIPE'

This will be held in the school hall on Tuesday 17th December at 9.30am. Tickets are available on ParentPay now.

KS1 NATIVITY - ROSIE THE RAT

This will be held in the school hall on Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 11th December at 2.00pm. Tickets are available on ParentPay now.

WINTER COATS

Mrs. Owen has requested that all children should be coming into school every day now in a coat with a hood.

FARMER TEDS

Nursery and Reception Classes will be visiting Farmer Teds on Tuesday 10th December. Please make sure your child has their packed lunch in a named carrier bag and they are dressed appropriately i.e. warm coat, hat and gloves if appropriate. Children will be leaving school at 9.15am and will return approx. 3.00pm.

F.O.S.S. NON UNIFORM DAY

F.O.S.S. are holding a non-uniform day on Friday 6th December. FOSS would like all children to bring bottle donations into school on that day. All donations will be used at the Christmas Disco.

CHRISTIAN VALUES-TREE PAINTING DAY-

The children all had a lovely day last Thursday painting leaves for our Christian Value Tree. The tree is now standing proud in the school hall for all to see.

F.O.S.S. DISCO

The Disco will be held on Friday 13th December from 6.30pm - 8.30pm in St Stephen's Institute. This is a ticket only event and tickets are limited. Tickets are priced at £1.50 for adults and children (children receive a small gift). There will be a box in the main school office for ticket requests. Ticket requests must be in a sealed envelope with correct money and slip. **Please Note: The school office will not be selling tickets.**

BRASS AND CAROLS

The school choir will be singing at the Evening of Brass and Carols at Banks Leisure Centre at 7.30pm on Saturday 7th December.

SCHOOL ADMISSIONS

Lancashire County Council's school admissions for children starting primary school is open. Parents can apply online at www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools. **Please Note: The national closing date for applications are: • 15 January 2020 for primary applicants.** If your child is in their last year of pre-school/nursery* you can now apply for their primary school place. **You must apply even if you already have siblings in school.** It's quick and easy to do and you will receive email confirmation of your application.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

If your child has come home with any item of uniform that belongs to another child please could you return it to school a.s.a.p.

CHRISTMAS DINNER AND JUMPER DAY

This will be on Thursday 12th December. All the children can come in Christmas jumpers or tee-shirts. In the afternoon we will be watching 'The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe'. It is a PG with 'mild violence' (a battle scene) and another room, with activities, will be provided for any children who are finding it scary. Hopefully they will all enjoy it!

STARS OF THE WEEK



Reception: Daisy

Year 1: Emily

Year 2: Amy M

Year 3: Laila

Year 4: Thomas

Year 5: Josh

Year 6: Shannon

WRITERS OF THE WEEK



Reception: Tony

Year 1: Sophia

Year 2: Thomas

Year 3: Cherie

Year 4: Jacob

Year 5: Matthew

Year 6: Harry

ATTENDANCE

Class 5 had the best attendance in school last week with attendance of 98.8%. Well done!

HOUSE POINTS

Yellow House won our weekly House Points Competition with 312 points.

INTERNATIONAL AID CHRISTMAS SHOE BOXES

Thank you to all parents/children who have brought in shoe boxes for International Aid. Each class will also make their own shoebox and class teachers will help the children put these together. If you want to make a shoebox at home I will be happy to deliver them to International Aid for you. There is a tin in the school office for any cash donations. Please do not put money in the shoebox as this is used for transport costs. We will take the boxes in the last week of term.

SCIENCE SELFIES - YEAR 3

Please continue to send in your science selfies to Miss Sykes. Printed copies can be brought in to school or the selfies can be e-mailed to head@bank-st-stephens.lancs.sch.uk.