

# NEWSLETTER - NOVEMBER 3

Dear Parents

## Christmas Newsletter

The Christmas newsletter will be sent home with children on Friday.

Attached will be an order form to order your tickets for the children's Christmas performances. To avoid disappointment please return orders by Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December. As performances will be in the Infant school hall we can only allow two tickets per family due to limited space. As ever, the performance will be for adults only; pre-school siblings will be able to attend the dress rehearsals.

## Fundraising

**Children in Need:** We have raised an amazing £609.18. Thank you so much for all your kind donations and for taking part in our 'Do your thing' theme.

**Lord Mayor's Dress Down Day:** We raised £191.81 for the Lord Mayor's Charity Appeal 2017/18

## Christmas Performances Schedule

**Nursery - Christmas Songs**  
**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December**  
10.30am and 2.30pm  
(NO TICKETS NEEDED)

**Reception - Christmas Play**  
**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December**  
9.30am - dress rehearsal  
**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December**  
1.45pm - main performance  
**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December**  
1.45pm - main performance  
(TICKETS ONLY)

**Year One - Christmas Play**  
**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December**  
9.30am - dress rehearsal  
**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December**  
1.45pm - main performance  
**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December**  
1.45pm - main performance  
(TICKETS ONLY)

**Year Two - Christmas Songs**  
**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December**  
9.30am - dress rehearsal  
**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December**  
1.45pm - main performance  
**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December**  
1.45pm - main performance  
(TICKETS ONLY)

## Celebrating Attendance

Congratulations to RM, Meerkat Class for achieving 100% attendance last week. Well done Meerkats!

## Ground Force Day

A huge thank you to the following businesses for their kind donations:

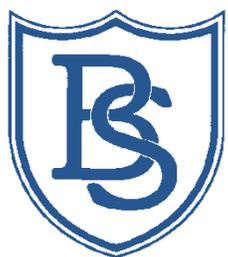
**Hall's Garden Centre** - 2 boxes of wild flower seeds and a bag of compost; **WM Wheat & Son** - 6 packs of pansies, 2 bags of daffodils and 3 bags of compost; **Homebase** - 5 brooms; **Boldmere Service Centre** - 20 tyres.

## Christmas Lunch

Sandwich children are welcome to join school dinner children for our Christmas lunch on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December. A vegetarian option will be available. If your child would like a Christmas meal please advise Mrs Moore in writing by Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November.

## Congratulations Board

Chloe Bradbury (1C), Daniel Chubb (1E), Jamie Webb (1H), Orla Davies (2B), Amelia Ellington (2T), Marta Mieszczynska (2W).



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## Busy Bodies - Important Notices

We are pleased to inform you that **December and January** booking forms are now available for collection at the Busy Bodies desk and also on the school website. Please ensure that your **December** forms and fees are handed in by **Friday 1st December 2017**. Please return **January** booking forms and fees by **Friday 12th January 2018**.

## Maths Workshops

Thank you to all the Reception parents and carers who came to support our maths workshop this week. The children really enjoyed completing the activities. Feedback was very positive from those who attended. Thank you for your continued support.

## Lunchtime Clubs

As the pupils will be having their Christmas Dinner on 6<sup>th</sup> December the Y2 Streetdance club will take place on this day and Reception Multiskills will move to Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December for this week only.

## PTA News

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December is the Christmas Fair from 5.30pm to 8.30pm in Infant school. If you are crafty we'd LOVE any craft donations. If you can bake we'd LOVE cake donations. If you're having a clear out we'd LOVE soft toy donations. Please have a think and it would be fabulous if donations could be brought into school the week beginning 4<sup>th</sup> December. Raffle tickets will be coming home in book bags. Please help your children sell them. There is a competition and a fabulous prize for the best seller of each class. If you sell the tickets sent home then more tickets will be available from the school offices. We are looking for volunteers to help run stalls. Please get in touch [boldmere.pta@gmail.com](mailto:boldmere.pta@gmail.com) We can't run these events without your help so if you can offer an hour we would be very grateful. Look out next week for our flyer with dates and details regarding the run up to the fair.

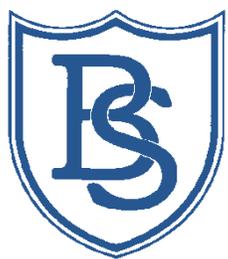
## Nursery

Nursery will be closed on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2017 but Nursery children are very welcome to come and join in the Carol Service at St Michael's Church with their parents at 9:45am.



## Heating Failure/ Severe Weather and School Closure

In the unlikely event of a Local Authority decision to close Birmingham schools, a message will be broadcast through Radio WM, Free Radio and will also be put on the City Council disruption website and social media. In the case of a specific problem such as a heating failure at our school, a decision will be taken in consultation with the Chair of Governors and announced on the aforementioned radio stations. We will also contact parents who are registered with Parentmail via text message and email and information will be displayed on the school website.



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## **Inconsiderate Parking and Inappropriate use of Social Media**

We have been incredibly fortunate that one of our parents/guardians from our school attended a Police Tasking meeting yesterday morning. One of the agenda items discussed was 'inconsiderate parking', which unfortunately appears to be happening across the city. I know this issue is incredibly frustrating and the advice being given by the Police when witnessing any antisocial parking is to ring 101 and select option 3. Under **NO CIRCUMSTANCES** whatsoever should anyone be taking photographs of any vehicles parked inconsiderately and posting these onto social media. The police have made that very clear, as this can cause a huge number of issues in relation to data protection. The police have informed us that they are unable to act on any photographs, as they have to see the offending vehicles for themselves. Please be mindful that information from social media sites may fall into the 'wrong hands' and could lead to fraudulent activities. This is a huge concern, so please **DO NOT** take this inappropriate action.

My role in school is not one of parking enforcement or indeed policing social media sites. I just want to keep the children safe and also value the community of the school. I hope you echo my sentiments and hopefully by acting in an appropriate manner these issues, which seem to be repeating themselves, will decrease in their regularity. Please do act upon the advice being given by the police. Many thanks again for your co-operation.

Mr C Glasgow  
Executive Headteacher

## **DIARY DATES**

**27-29<sup>th</sup> November** - Y2 Clay Workshop  
**11<sup>th</sup> December** - 9:30 Reception Dress Rehearsal  
**12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> December** - 1:45 Reception Performance  
**13<sup>th</sup> December** - Y2 Singing at New Oscott Village  
**14<sup>th</sup> December** - 9:30 Y1 Dress Rehearsal  
**14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> December** - 1:45 Y1 Performance  
**18<sup>th</sup> December** - 9:30 Y2 Dress Rehearsal  
**18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> December** - 1:45 Y2 Performance  
**20<sup>th</sup> December** - 10:30/2:30 Nursery Christmas Songs  
**21<sup>st</sup> December** - Christmas Parties  
**22<sup>nd</sup> December** - 9:45 Christmas Service at St Michael's Church - **NURSERY CLOSED**  
**22<sup>nd</sup> December** - Break up for Christmas holidays  
**8<sup>th</sup> January 18** - PD Day, closed to pupils  
**9<sup>th</sup> January 18** - School re-opens to all pupils  
**14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup> February 18** - Parents Evening  
**16<sup>th</sup> February 18** - Break up for half term

*Amanta Kenny*

Mrs S Kenny  
Head of School  
21<sup>st</sup> November 2017

