

# Preesall Fleetwood's Charity School Newsletter Friday 5th November



' Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you. '

Ephesians 4:32

## Highlights of the week

- Our Stay and Play sessions started again this week – it was lovely to see some familiar as well as some new faces
- Amazing manners – when someone holds a door open in school, literally every pupil walking through says thank you! I just love these moments!
- We welcomed three student teachers from Edge Hill into school. Miss Tansim-Islam, Miss Raza and Miss B will be working in Oak, Maple and Elm Classes and will be with us until February – we are looking forward to supporting them on their journeys to be future teachers and hope they enjoy their placement in our school.



### Bonfire Night

I am sure many of you will be attending Bonfire Night events over the weekend and it is fabulous that so many events are taking place around the local area. I hope the weather is kind and that everyone stays safe. We look forward to hearing all about it next week from the children!

### Dance Festival

We have one more week of rehearsals before the show! Do you have your tickets? We have a group of 40 pupils from Year 2 to Year 6 taking part and when I watch the rehearsals all I can see is pupils enjoying dancing and having fun!

A separate letter will be coming out to all pupils taking part. Please can they wear their PE kit everyday next week.

### Remembrance

We have poppies on sale in school as well as some other merchandise and all our pupils are busy making poppies for displays that you will see around school next week. I will be attending the Remembrance Service at Preesall Cenotaph on 14<sup>th</sup> November with our Head Boy/Girl team where they will lay our school wreath. In school, we will hold a two-minute silence at 11 am on the 11<sup>th</sup> November to show our respect.

In addition, our classes will have some sessions next week linked to Remembrance Day as it is important that they understand why we commemorate this occasion and the significance of the poppy. This forms part of the work we do on British Values.

### Christmas Draw

You should have received some books of raffle tickets this week to sell to family, friends, neighbours and work colleagues. This is a really great way to fund-raise for school so please help us by selling all your tickets. If you are able to sell any additional books, please contact Mrs Adams. When the stubs and money are returned, your child's/children's names will go into a prize draw.

We have already sourced some great prizes, if you are able to donate a raffle prize or know someone who might, please get in touch.

We would also like some craft stalls at the Christmas Fair so again, if you know anyone who may be interested, ask them to get in touch. I already have a Tropic and a Body Shop representative.

The Christmas Fair will be on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December from 3:30-5:30 pm in school.

### Puberty/SRE Workshops

Next Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> November, Year 5 will have their puberty workshop and Year 6 will have a sex education workshop. These were rescheduled from earlier in the term. Learning about changes at puberty and relationships education is now statutory so parents are not able to withdraw their children from these sessions but aspects of sex education are optional. We have chosen to deliver sex education in Year 6 as we feel it is important for children to know the facts. The workshop presenter from the Coram Life Education team is excellent and I highly recommend that your Year 6 child takes part in the full session.

### Dates:

**Sunday 14th November—Remembrance service**

**Tuesday 16th November—Dance Festival**

**Friday 3rd December—Christmas Fair**

**Sunday 5th December—Toy Service**

### Christmas Present Collection/Toy Service

St. Oswald's Church are collecting Christmas presents for a charity who support children who are less fortunate and we have agreed to help them.

If you would be happy to donate a present, all you need to do is purchase an item, wrap it in Christmas wrapping paper and put a label on that says whether is for a girl or boy and the age range e.g. 2-4, 5-7, 8-11. We would like you to bring any donations to school by Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> December so we can take them to St. Oswald's for the Toy Service on Sunday December 4<sup>th</sup>.

We have been asked, as a school, to take part in the service. I need a group of pupils from Years 3,4,5 or 6. If your child would be available to help out, please can you email me by the end of next week? It would be lovely to have some of our families attending the service as well. I think it is at 10:30 am on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> December.

### After-School Club/Breakfast Club

Please remember to book in advance whenever possible on Parent Pay. We still have bookings being made on the day and although we can accommodate the pupils, we need to ensure we have adequate staffing in place.

### Parents' Forum Meeting

I will be holding an open Parents' Forum meeting on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> November from 2:00 p.m. This will be on my response to the parental feedback forms you completed in the summer term. Any parents are welcome to attend.

### Lunches

Please use the form below to make arrangements for lunches for next week for all pupils.

<https://forms.office.com/r/exTQMJtNLL>

### Recycling

Please send in any used printer cartridges—we have a recycling box in the school porch. We are working with 'Recycle 4 Charity' and can raise funds for the school.

### Santa Dash—Brian House

On Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> December Bria House are doing a Santa Dash in Blackpool to raise funds for Brian House. Please visit [www.blackpoolsantadash.co.uk](http://www.blackpoolsantadash.co.uk) for more information.

### Lego Club—Knott End Library

Lego Club is returning to Knott End Library on Saturdays 11am-12 noon from 6<sup>th</sup> November.

### Chess Club

Mr & Mrs Potter are launching Chess Club on a Monday after school. It is open to all pupils from Year 2 upwards. Please email [mpotter@fleetwoods.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:mpotter@fleetwoods.lancs.sch.uk) to secure a place. 3:30pm—4:30pm—juice and biscuits will be provided.