



Scotforth St Paul's C of E Primary & Nursery School

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MISSION STATEMENT

Learning, growing and caring as part of
God's family

*"I am the vine, and you are the branches. If any remain
in me and I remain in them, they produce much
fruit." (John 15:5)*



Scotforth Superstars



Raffle Tickets

Please return any unused raffle tickets back to the school by Monday 13th December. The draw will take place on Tuesday, 14th December. A big thank you for all the kind donations. The lucky winners will be notified by text message.

Class Christmas parties

Class Christmas parties will be held on the following days next week: Nursery/Reception - Wednesday afternoon

Year 1/2—Wednesday morning

Year 3/4—Thursday morning

Year 5/6—Tuesday afternoon

If you haven't already been asked by class teachers to do so, please could you send in £1 on Monday to contribute to the cost of refreshments. Children can wear Christmas party clothes on their party day (but must still wear sensible shoes—no high heels!).

Christmas "Dingbats" Quiz

Attached to the newsletter is a Christmas "dingbats" quiz. Each puzzle has a common Christmassy word or saying hidden within it. Try to work out the answers, attach a £1 coin to the bottom of the sheet and return it to school by Wednesday 15th December to be in with a chance of winning a prize.

Christmas Lunch Reminder

Our Christmas Lunch is on Wednesday, 15th December. Please return your order form and payment (KS2 only) by Monday 13th December. Children can wear a Christmas jumper/Christmas top and hat if they wish.

KS1 Christmas Production

We will be posting the play on the school website, within a password protected area. Parents will be issued with the password via text and will be able to view the video for the duration of the Christmas holidays. We would ask you to respect our usual safeguarding request by not sharing the video on social media.

If anyone has any skills in filming/video editing and would be able to help us with this, please let the office know. We are planning to film on Monday and Tuesday.

Christmas Service

In consultation with Rev. Rebecca, we are planning to hold a carol service for the children in church at the end of term. This will be the first time that the whole school will have gathered together indoors since the start of the pandemic, so a very significant moment. However, to allow distancing between classes and again, avoid overcrowding and the increased risk of Covid transmission, we will not be inviting parents to join us on this occasion.

Name	Nominated by	Nominated for
Hannah Lam Sydnee Wood Oscar Charlton-Green	Miss Parlane	Great teamwork & focus in lessons
William Featon	Mrs Ventress and Miss Barnes	Good work in RE and French
Stefan Iacob	Mrs Dowson & Mrs Redmayne	Fantastic workings out and use of inverse operations in maths
Anya Kornas Ruby Way-Noble	Mrs Dowson & Mrs Redmayne	Excellent vector drawing on SketchPad on the computer
Sundiya Jeremiah	Mrs Dowson & Mrs Redmayne	Fantastic maths work
Sophie Lloyd Iris Cope	Mr Manning	Great instructions for making imaginary pizzas
Sianna Beswick	Miss Flynn	Fantastic effort in reading
Nate Skivington	Mrs Boyle	Brilliant effort in writing numbers and letters
Gian-Marco Lulli	Mrs Boyle	Excellent sentences whilst writing about Traction Man
Elaine Sowah Louis Fagan	Mrs Cross	Beautiful presentation of their information text
Eliza Pugh	Mrs Cross	Fantastic progress in phonics
Raaed Shah	Mrs Cross	All round excellent effort and attitude to learning

Surprise presents room

The "elves" have been very busy since 11am, helping the children choose presents for their parents. Unfortunately they ran out of time, so Year 1 and Reception will be choosing their presents on Monday.

Lost Property

Please claim any missing items before the end of term. We will dispose of / give to charity any unnamed, unclaimed items at the end of term.

COVID 19

Just to remind parents that the same rules are still in place regarding Covid 19 symptoms and should any of your family develop a continuous new cough, changes to your sense of taste or smell or a high temperature, it is recommended that you arrange for a PCR test.

Flu Vaccinations

The children who missed their flu vaccination on Tuesday can have it done at Queen Victoria Hospital. Please call 01524 519430 to arrange an appointment.

Online Safety

This week's topic is keeping children safe while using fitness trackers. Please see the attached flyer for more information.

Clubs

All clubs are still on next week. Look out for more information on next term's clubs after the holidays.

Diary Dates

School closes at the normal time 3.10pm on Friday 17th December

School re-opens on Tuesday 4th January

Poppy Appeal

The grand total for this year's appeal is £338.90. The Royal British Legion extend their appreciation for helping raise vital funds for their vital welfare and benevolent work.

Trophies

Final call for all trophies to be returned back to school please so that we can present them to the new recipients. Please note: school no longer engraves the child's name on the awards, however please feel free to have this done yourself if you wish, before returning yours.

Paralympic Fencer's Visit

On Wednesday, Justine Moore, a 29 year old Paralympian fencer, came to Scotforth School to talk about her fencing career. Firstly she talked about her life. During this, she mentioned having an accident when she was 13 which resulted in her being confined to a wheelchair. She spent 6-7 months in hospital and had to have a bed-side teacher!

She had enjoyed sport before her accident. She was invited to a disability sports camp by one of her physiotherapists. When she was there she learnt that there were so many sports out there waiting for her to try. She began competing in fencing and soon worked her way up the ranks, starting from small competitions to representing Great Britain in world cups! She also was chosen for the Tokyo 2021 team.

She showed lots of courage and determination and has been very resilient. We enjoyed having her here and we hope to have more visitors like her in the future.

(report by the Sports Captains)

Hala Pantry

A new food club is opening at St. Paul's Hala Centre (see attached flyer). The group is for people who would benefit from ongoing support with the cost of food to take the pressure off their finances.

There are two slots, 5pm and 6:30pm, it is £4 per week and you get 2 bags of shopping.

The dates over Christmas are:

Friday 10th December

Friday 17th December

Wednesday 22nd December

Wednesday 29th December

Friday 7th January and every Friday following