

Langley Fitzurse Church of England Primary School



Newsletter



NEWSLETTER 6 2018-19

Wednesday 21 November 2018

“Amaze, Excite, Inspire”

Dear Parents,

As the days get colder and the nights get longer I know we are getting closer to Christmas and the planning for services, nativity performances and parties is becoming more detailed.

I am particularly looking forward to the Key Stage One Nativity Performance and I have already heard them practising the songs with great enthusiasm. Our Christmas Service will feature Chameleon children telling the story of Christmas, and I hope lots of you will be able to join us at St Peter's on Wednesday 19th December.

Well done to Esther and Hannah for suggesting the Bring and Buy Sale last week which raised over £120 for the Children in Need Appeal. Thanks to all who helped out and to everyone who donated items to sell or came and bought things.

Over the last few weeks I have seen some lovely things happening in school, but two events stand out which took place out of school. Last week our football team played in the small schools' tournament at Stanley Park, and showed huge commitment and enthusiasm in their first outing as a team. Robert proved an able captain, organising his players carefully and providing great encouragement. The previous week our Year 1 and 2 children attended a multi-sports event with several other schools, and worked in groups with children from Lacock School to develop their co-ordination and skills. They were a real credit to the school and worked extremely hard at all the challenges.

We will be giving the children the chance to perform in the annual 'Langley's Got Talent' competition on the last day of term, and we'll be asking the children next week to sign up and let us know what they want to show us. This year we'd like to invite parents to the performance which will take place from 9.15 to 11.30 am on Thursday 20 December.

I also look forward to seeing you at the lovely Christmas events the PTA are running for us. Please find a little time to help out if you can so that the work load is shared. Please use the sign up sheet in the foyer if you'd like to get involved.

Mr Richard Hearn
Headteacher

Our Learning this week will include:

	Maths	English
Hercules	Addition	Yr 1 – Adjectives Yr R – Rhyming words
Hercules – Phonics		Revision of sounds
Pegasus	Number patters	Writing our own Charlie & the Chocolate Factory narrative
Phoenix	Fractions	Character descriptions
Chameleon	Fractions	Discussion texts

Christmas Mobiles

This year's theme is **Christmas Carols**. Your child is invited to bring in a Christmas mobile on Monday 3 December. Every entry will win a chocolate treat, and there will be prizes for the best mobiles in each class. We can't wait to see them!

Reading Scheme Reorganisation

Mrs Nathanson has taken this big project on, and would love to hear from any parents who could spare some time to help her.

Cadbury World Visit – Wed 28 November

We are looking for a couple more volunteers to help us with this school trip. Perfect for anyone who loves chocolate! You would need to be available between 8am and 6pm next Wednesday. Please see Mrs Howe in the School Office if you'd like to come along.

After School Club – not just Child Care!

We are very pleased to announce that our After School Club programme is as follows:

Mondays – Art Club

Tuesdays – Art Club

Wednesdays – Sports Club

Thursdays – Gymnastics

These clubs are open to all children, cost £4 per day and run from 3.15 to 4.30 pm. There is an option for your child to stay on until 5.25 pm at an additional cost of £5 per day. Why not give it a try?

KS2 Production

A couple of parents have wondered why we have not included a KS2 production in our list of Christmas events. The answer is that the KS2 production will now move back to term 6, once SATs are over and done with and everyone has more time to put on a fantastic show.

Professional Performance of 'Robin Hood'

Talking of fantastic shows, we were delighted to welcome M&M Productions back to school at the beginning of term. The children thoroughly enjoyed their spirited performance, which was made possible by a generous donation from the PTA and the profit from ticket sales of our 2017 Christmas plays.

Calling Future Drummers!

There are currently a few spaces for drumming lessons during school time on a Monday. There is a choice of African drumming in a group or 1-2-1 Drum Kit lessons.

If your child would like to have a free taster lesson, please contact Joe de Berker at contact@rhythminstinct.co.uk leaving your name, your child's name and a contact number along with which type of lesson you'd like to try.

If you have any questions you can email or call Joe on 07957714645.

PTA News

Now that we're rushing headlong into Christmas, please take a look at these fantastic PTA events:

Wreath making workshop - Friday 30th November 8pm , Cherry Hall

A wonderful opportunity to get into the festive spirit and have a go at creating your own wreath with expert guidance from Kerrie and Christine. All equipment supplied. Festive drinks and nibbles provided. £15 a ticket available from the school office.

If you can't make the workshop, you can still get a beautiful, long lasting Christmas Wreath from Kerrie, price £16.50. Please see Mrs Howe for more details.

The Christmas Fayre - Friday 7th December 3:15pm

There will be toys , games , refreshments , handmade gifts and the chance for the children to have some time with the man of the moment...

We would be very grateful for any donations of festive goodies , toys or raffle prizes. There is a box in the foyer for you to leave your donations.

Christmas Hamper Raffle

This is quite a tradition in Langley Fitz but this year it is bigger and better than ever. We are offering 3 chances to win for just £2 a date.

All you have to do is pick a date from a 2018 calendar, it could be your birthday, anniversary... ie , 28th October.

You can have as many dates as you like and when we have filled all 365 days of the year we will draw the winners.

The dates will be on sale before and after school every day. Any one can buy a date so tell all your family ! It's really not to be missed !

Christmas hamper dates go on sale on Monday !

There is a sign up sheet for volunteers to help at the Fayre, KS1 nativity and the Christmas Party (in school time). If you are free and able to help, please put your name down. These events can't run without the support of parents and we'd be very grateful for any time you can offer.

Amy Tayler, PTA Chair amyotayler@gmail.com

Paper Letters sent out this Week

PTA Christmas newsletter

Cadbury World letter – Pegasus and Phoenix Classes

Dates for the Diary (new dates in red)

Mon 26 November	Christmas Hamper dates go on sale! Celebration Assembly, 2.45 pm – parents very welcome!
Wed 28 November	Pegasus & Phoenix Classes visiting Cadbury World – children in for 7.45 am please
Fri 30 November	Christmas Wreath Making Workshop, 8 pm, Cherry Hall
Sat 1 December	KS2 Choir singing at the Chippenham Pitstop Christmas Event, 1 pm
Mon 3 December	Bring Christmas Mobiles into School Celebration Assembly, 2.45 pm – parents very welcome! Chameleon Cake Monday Board of Governors' Meeting (previously Tue 3 December)
Thu 6 December	'Flu immunisation for Yrs R – 5
Fri 7 December	Christmas Fayre after school
Mon 10 December	Celebration Assembly, 2.45 pm – parents very welcome!
Wed 12 December	School Christmas Lunch
Mon 17 December	KS1 Nativity Play, 5pm in Cherry Hall
Tue 18 December	Carols on the Common
Wed 19 December	Christmas Service, 2pm St Peter's – all very welcome
Thu 20 December	Non-uniform day – party clothes Langley's got Talent! Christmas Party Break up for Christmas
Fri 21 December	TD Day
Mon 7 January	Back to School for Term 3