



Thomas Russell Infants' School

'Our children blossom through nurture & challenge'

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Dear Parents, Guardians and carers

Reception Nativity

This was fantastic! Well done to all the children who put on a wonderful performance and helped to get us all in the Christmas spirit. Huge thanks to all the staff who worked hard to make it happen.

Key Stage 1 Christmas Plays

The children in Year 1 and 2 have been working hard and are looking forward to performing on Tuesday. Can we remind you that parents of children in 2K and 1S are invited to watch at 10.30am and parents of children in 2M and 1W at 2.00pm. Seats are limited to two adults per family.

Pantomime and Christmas Fayre

We all had a great time on Thursday at the theatre in Lichfield, 'oh no you didn't,' 'oh yes we did!' The children behaved impeccably and were a credit to the school as they laughed and enjoyed the show. This was followed by a wonderful Christmas Fayre which was very well attended. Thank you to all members of the PTA, staff and volunteers who gave up their time to spend the day setting up the stalls, and the evening, manning the stalls and tidying up afterwards. Thank you as well to the parents for the cake and raffle/tombola donations and to everyone who came along to support. Events like this cannot happen without the time and commitment of the PTA. We hope the children enjoyed meeting Santa. We are sure he knows they have all been very good this year!!

Christmas Lunch-Wednesday 18th

Just a reminder that the whole school will be enjoying a Christmas lunch on Wednesday, there is still time to order your lunch if your child normally brings sandwiches.

Sing-a-long-Friday 20th 2.30pm

Another reminder that 1 adult per child is invited to join in the annual whole school sing-a-long in the school hall. The children will be singing a melody of Christmas songs to end the term and



really get us all in the festive spirit; we hope you can join us.

PTA News

Calendars - order forms will go out next week if you would like to order a calendar, to be delivered in the New Year. However, if you would like to buy them before the end of term you can purchase them on Tuesday when they will be on sale at the KS1 plays and before and after school. They will also be available at other times from the school office. Cost is £5 per calendar.

DVDs - order forms will be in book bags today to buy DVDs of all the Christmas productions. Orders must be in by next Tuesday afternoon at the latest if you would like to receive them before the end of term. Any orders placed after that will be delivered in the New Year.

Christmas Lunch - the PTA have again provided all the trimmings for the Christmas lunch next week. The tables will look very festive with plates, cups and crackers. Father Christmas will also be paying another visit to the school and distributing presents for all the children.

Second Hand Uniform sale - just a reminder that second hand uniform will be available to purchase at the Christmas productions next Tuesday.

Workers of the Week

2K - Max Yates for writing a fantastic postcard

2M - Oliver Duesbury for writing a fantastic postcard

1W - Harry Meadows for fantastic sentence writing

1S - Morgan Horler for excellent problem solving in maths

RR - Chloe Duesbury for learning lots of new numbers

RL - Georgia Hanstock for amazing phonics work

Keep up the super work children!

Please note that today's is the last achievement assembly this term.

Wishing you a happy weekend

Regards

Mrs Farmer & Mrs Burton

