



Weekly Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

This is our last week in school and last Newsletter of 2016. Thank you for all of your support and team work this year, it is much appreciated. We would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Successful New Year. School will reopen in 2017 on Wednesday 4th January.

Staffing news

We have to say goodbye to Mr Mackenzie this week and Year 4 are adjusting very well to having a new class teacher in Mrs Moore. Thanks again and good wishes to Russel in his new adventures.

CAP workshop

We had 5 parents come to the CAP workshop and it was a very useful session. If you would like to see the video clip they showed, then please follow this link <http://safestrongfree.org.uk/films.html>. There are handouts in the entrance for any parent who wants them. The children workshops will be on the 9th, 10th and 11th January and the children will come home with handouts for you to discuss at home. Many thanks to you and the PTA for supporting this – it is really important and valuable to help keep our children safe. We would also recommend you looking at the CEOP website and this link https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/5_7/ for advice about keeping your children safe online. The advice was strongly towards not using fear or a long list of 'don'ts' to protect children but empowerment and education. It was advised to regularly talk to your children about how they should keep themselves safe both in the real world and the online one.

School party day – Friday 16th

All parties will be on Friday THIS week so children can all come in party clothes. The Children's Kitchen menu for Friday is Party Lunch and this will consist of pizza, sandwiches, cocktail sausages, cheese and pineapple, sausage rolls, crisps, crudités etc. £2.20 for KS2 children. KS1 have free school meals.

Reception Nativity, Key stage 1 'Sugar Plum' and Key Stage 2 'When Sasha got sucked up the Chimney' productions.

A big thank you for being a wonderful audience for all of our shows this year. Weren't the children amazing! Your generous donations have raised a great deal of money that we will spend directly on additional resources for each Key stage. This is so valuable to us in the current financial climate for schools where we have suffered huge real term cuts in our budget.

Thanks to you and your families and taking away the small costs for the productions:

Reception have £100 to spend

Years 1 and 2 have £160

And Years 3,4,5 and 6 have £270.

Thank you so very much.

Pick-a-Pocket

A massive thank you from Fiona, to Yasmin, Julia, Lou, Jo, Alice, Kiri, Abi, Rachel, Trevor, Ali, Jeanette and Felix for all the amazing items made for the Pick-a-Pocket for the Christmas fair.

Elizabethan Society donation

We would like to thank the Elizabethan society for the generous donation of £50. This will be spent on Early Years resources.

School Council

Thank you for buying and donating cakes over the last two weeks. We have raised £33.10 for CRY. Only another £970 to raise to reach our target of £1000.00. We will be selling cakes every Friday in January and doing a sponsored bike/scoot/run week beginning 23rd January 2017. More details to follow in the new year.

Poppy Appeal

Your generous donations raised £286.64 for the Poppy Appeal. The Royal British Legion have sent their huge thanks.

Kind regards

Hilary Priest

SILENT NIGHT?

Have yourself a seasonal silent shindig. Make your Christmas and New Year's parties truly memorable by hosting your very own Silent Disco-the best party they never heard.

It's really simple. We provide all the equipment, support for setting up and even the music if you like.

You simply pop on the headphones and get fat pigeon funky.

If you're interested contact the Silent Event Hero team and we'll get your party started.

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