

# Newsletter

For all parents, staff, governors and pupils  
Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2017



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Dear Parents/Carers,

I would like to begin by thanking the PPT for a successful disco held last Friday evening. The pupils thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Secondly, I would like to thank you for helping us raise £274.50 during our non-uniform day last Friday.

Today over 40 pupils will be representing us in Cross Country. We wish them the best of luck and look forward to hearing about their experience as pupils battle their personal best.

Pupils are busy rehearsing for their Christmas concerts and we look forward to welcoming you to celebrate this festive period. All spare tickets for the productions will be on sale after school on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November, just head to the front office.

Once again we will be taking part in 'Christmas Jumper Day'. If pupils wish to take part, all they need to do is wear their normal uniform but wear a Christmas jumper instead of their normal top on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December.

This will coincide with our school Christmas Dinner Day and add to the festivities. Pupils can always personalise a jumper to make it extra seasonal! Children who want to take part are asked to donate £1.00 for the charity, 'Save the Children UK.'

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr R. Latham  
Headteacher

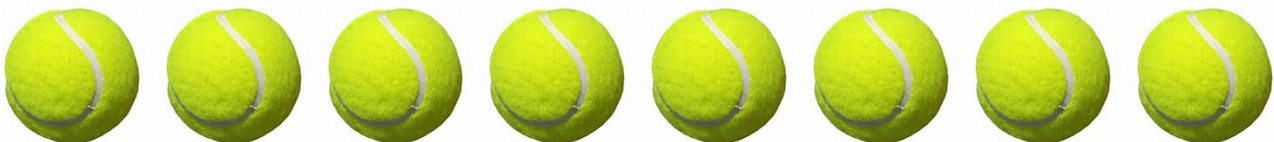
## CHILDREN IN NEED:

A non-uniform day was held on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2017 to raise funds for Children In Need. We are pleased to announce that we raised a grand total of £274.50. A big thanks to all our parents/carers for supporting this great cause.



## TENNIS BALL DONATION:

We would like to send a big thank you to Proctor & Gamble for their kind donation this week where we were gifted a large number of Wilson tennis balls which will not only support lessons, but our after school tennis club as well.



**REMEMBRANCE POPPY SALE:**

Poppies and other items were sold throughout the school in the run up to Remembrance Sunday on 12<sup>th</sup> November 2017.

We are pleased to announce that to date the grand total of all monies collected was £439.35.

Again, a big thank you to all our parents/carers for supporting this great cause.

**RECEPTION APPLICATIONS:**

From 1 November 2017, if your child was born between 1 September 2013 and 31 August 2014, you must apply for their reception school place for September 2018.

You should complete your application in good time to have the best chance of getting a place at a school you would like your child to attend. By applying online you will get an email acknowledgement of your application and be able to check which school place has been offered from 1 March 2018.

More information can be found at:

<https://www.thurrock.gov.uk/primary-school-admissions/applying-for-primary-school-place>

**WELL DONE:**

Maisie Farr, 3A has gained her Bronze Merit Certificate. Well done Maisie!

Erin Dyer-Greene, 5R has passed her Stage 2A in horse riding. Well done Erin!

**AUTUMN TERM CLUBS:**

Please note that all clubs will finish on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2017.

The new offer of clubs for the Spring term will be shared after the Christmas break.

**CHRISTMAS CONCERTS:**

This week a letter was sent out advertising our Christmas performances. Once tickets have been sold to classes, any spare tickets will go on general sale on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November at 3:15pm. If you come to the front office they will direct you to the school hall where additional tickets can be purchased.

Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> December 2017	10.00am 11.00am 2.00pm	Nursery (YN Parents) Reception (YR Parents) Years 1&2 (Y1 Parents)
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December 2017	11.00am 1.30pm 2.15pm	Years 1&2 (Y2 Parents) Reception (YR Parents) Nursery (YN Parents)
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	9.00am 11.00am 2.00pm	Nursery AM (Family) Years 3&4 (Y3 Parents) Years 5&6 (Y5 Parents)
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> December 2017	11.00am 1.00pm 2.00pm	Years 5&6 (Y6 Parents) Nursery PM (Family) Years 3&4 (Y4 Parents)
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> December 2017	10.00am 11.00am 1.00pm 2.00pm	Reception (Family) Year 1&2 (Family) Year 3&4 (Family) Year 5&6 (Family)

