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Dear Parent/Carer

10th November 2023

I hope you all enjoyed a restful half term break. May I take this opportunity to wish those families who celebrate, a Happy Diwali and we hope you all enjoy the celebrations.

### **Important Dates:**

All week
 " " - Anti-Bullying Week
 Inter-Faith Week
 Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November - Odd Socks Day\*

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November - Early Birds Session 8.30-8.50am

• Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November - Prospective Parent Visit for 2024 Reception Intake 9.15am – Booking Essential

## **Anti-Bullying Week 2023**

Next week is National Anti-Bullying Week. This year, the theme is 'Make A Noise'. As part of our work around this, we will be celebrating things that make each of us unique.

\*To help us do this, on Monday 13th November, we would like the children to come to school wearing odd socks! Any colour, any length, the wackier the better! No donation is required and normal school uniform please - just with odd socks.

During the week, each class will do some work on changes that we can each make to help prevent bullying. The Anti-Bullying Alliance has a range of resources and support documents if you would like to discuss this further with your children at home - www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk

## **Remembrance Day Service and Parade**

This year's Remembrance Day Service and Parade will take place on Sunday, 12th November 2023 at 10.30am in the War Memorial Park. Each year, the service ensures that memories of ex-service men and women from WW1, WW2 and more recent wars are not forgotten. We would like the children of our city, and their families, to share in this year's event.

#### **Poppy Appeal**

Thank you to everyone who has bought a poppy or one of the many other items being offered this year. We will share the total amount raised once the monies have all been counted.

#### **School News**

Our Year 6 children arrived back from Plas Dol-y-Moch at 1.30 today, tired but full of exciting stories to share with their families. We look forward to hearing about them when they return to school next week

#### **Sports News**

#### **Stivichall Vs Ernesford Grange**

The Stivichall Boys' football team were in action on Thursday 9th November as we played our 1st Coventry League match v Ernesford Grange. It was a superb effort from all our players, who were representing the school for the first time. The first half saw Ernesford Grange dominate possession and take a 1-0 lead, but Stivichall stood firm and defended extremely well, especially our GK Kian, who made a collection of superb saves!

Despite being 1-0 down, Stivichall remained resilient and got themselves a foot in the game and created a few opportunities in the second half but couldn't convert these chances into goals. The second half turned into a real good entertaining game with both teams battling competitively! In the final few moments of the game, Ernesford Grange scored 3 quick goals with the game finishing 4-0 to the visitors. The team should feel really proud of themselves for their efforts! Mr Gould

#### **Year 6 SATS Study and Practice Books**

These books are available to purchase through school at a discounted price. Please log on to your ParentPay account to view the five books that are available to order and pay accordingly. A letter was available on parents evening with all details. The last date for any orders is Friday, 10th November.

### A message from the Pupil Leadership Team

The Pupil Leadership Team are happy to announce that Stivichall will be participating in Children In Need Day on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November.

On Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November, Stivichall will be hosting a bake-off competition to fundraise for our chosen charity. If you wish to take part, please bring your wonderful creations to your class teacher in the morning. Once the Pupil Leaders have voted for their winners, there will be a bake sale during break time and at the end of the day. Shop bought cake donations will also be welcomed and sold through the bake sale. The bake sale will be cash donations only.

There is a link for bake-off inspiration!

https://www.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/fundraising/host-a-spotacular-bake-sale-or-bake-off/

We look forward to seeing your SPOTacular bakes.

### Eco Tip

Each week, our Eco Warriors will be sharing an 'Eco-Tip of the Week' with you in our newsletter. We will also be keeping the school website and Twitter updated with what the Eco team have been up to.

This week's top eco tip: Walk short distances instead of using a car - Isabelle, 5/6 M

#### **Christmas Entertainment**

Your child should have brought home earlier this week a letter regarding the following events:





Please send your completed permission slip into school by Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November and make your contribution via your My Child At School App if you have not already done so. Thank you.

#### **PTA NEWS**

## **Uniform D**

- We are currently looking to grow our Uniform D team!
- Uniform D provides all children and their families with access to good condition, second hand uniform and needs more helpers across the following areas:
  - Stock sorting
  - Stock organising
  - Stall set up at PTA events
  - Website order management
- If you would like to get involved, please email us at ptastivichall@gmail.com

## Christmas Fayre – SAVE THE DATE 2<sup>nd</sup> December 11am - 2pm

- The festive season is rapidly approaching, which means that it's nearly time for the PTA Christmas Fayre!
- We look forward to seeing lots of you there, joining in with the festive spirit and having a great time. It's definitely not one to be missed!
- Please remember that this is a cash only event.



- We are currently planning the following festivities:
   Santa's Grotto
   Secret Shop
   Raffles
   Tombolas
   Mulled wine
- Food and refreshments
  External stalls, and much more!

The Christmas Fayre relies heavily on the generosity of volunteers to enable the above festivities to go ahead. At the moment, we are short of volunteers for the following areas, which may result in them not going ahead:

- Main hall games stalls (pre-event planning, and event coordination)
- Main hall PTA stalls (pre-event planning, and event coordination)
- Hot food Pre-event planning, kitchen support during the event
- Rota sign up we need as many volunteers as possible to offer a minimum of 30 mins to support the various stalls
  on the day.

If you are able to help with any of these, or if you have young people who would like to volunteer (under your supervision) as part of their D of E (or similar), please contact the PTA either via email (<a href="mailto:ptastivichall@gmail.com">ptastivichall@gmail.com</a>) or join our WhatsApp group:

Christmas Fayre 2023 chat.whatsapp.com

## Christmas Fayre - Secret Shop

- Order forms have been sent home today for this year's Secret Shop which will take place during the Christmas Fayre.
- Each present is £2.50 and children who have pre-ordered will come to the shop and secretly choose gifts for family, friends and much-loved pets during the Christmas Fayre.
- Unfortunately, we are only able to accommodate gifts that have been pre-ordered
- The **deadline** for Secret Shop orders is **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November**. Please ensure that all orders are returned to the school office or your child/rens classroom in a sealed envelope accompanied by the **correct cash payment** (cheques cost us money to process).
- We look forward to welcoming lots of children into the shop!

## **PTA Key Dates**

Event	Date
Deadline for Secret Shop Orders	Wednesday 22nd November
Volunteer set up for Christmas Fayre	Friday 1st December – straight after school
	Saturday 2nd December 9 – 11:30am
Christmas Fayre	Saturday 2nd December 11am - 2pm

I hope you all have a wonderful and safe weekend.

Yours sincerely

Mrs K Ferguson

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