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Dear Parent/Carer

Children in Need Bake Off and Cake Sale

A big well done to those of you that brought in Spotacular cakes for the Bake off today, they all looked amazing! The winner will be announced on Monday in whole school assembly. Thank you to everyone who donated cakes for the cake sale today, we have been overwhelmed by your generosity and the children certainly loved buying their cakes at break time. Cakes will be sold on the playground after school today and any left will be donated to the Langar Aid Charity. Donations are still coming in; we will let you know next week how much has been raised once all the money has been cancelled.

Prematurity Awareness Day

Today is Prematurity Awareness Day! At Stivichall we are proud to be a Prem Aware School. This means that we have an awareness of the impact of prematurity on development and learning. We aim to recognize and meet the specific learning needs of children born prematurely and, hopefully, provide the support necessary to help close any potential gaps. It is important to note that being born pre-term does not automatically mean a child will need extra support, but it is an important risk factor for schools to be aware of in order to provide support in as timely a manner as possible. In order for us to be able to monitor the progress of our learners who were born pre-term, we need your help in identifying who these children are. If your child was born pre-term and you are happy to share this information with us, please either complete the attached reply slip or, if you'd prefer, please contact your child's class teacher or the school's SENDCO via school@stivichall.coventry.sch.uk

Important Dates Coming Up:

- Wednesday 22nd November - Deadline for PTA Secret Shop Orders
- Friday 24th November - Black Hole Planetarium Workshop for 5S, 5P & 5/6M
- Monday 27th November - Early Bird Session in Classrooms 8.30-8.50
- Wednesday 29th November - Prospective Parents Visit 9.15
- " " " - Last Forest School Session for Class 5P & 3/4M
- Friday 1st December - Christmas Art Day
- " " " - Class 6S & 6P Coventry Cathedral Blitz Museum Trip
- Saturday 2nd December - PTA Christmas Fayre

Acorns Wrap Around Update

We are pleased to inform you that following feedback, we have decided to introduce two new sessions from January 2024. There will be an option for an earlier drop off from 7.30am in the morning and an additional collection time of 5.30pm in the afternoon. These will be available to book via My Child At School (MCAS) from December 4th2023.

Available sessions will be as follows

- Breakfast Club 7.30am to start of school day - £6
- Breakfast Club 7.50am to start of school day - £5.50
- After School Club 4.30pm collection - £6.50
- After School Club 5pm collection - £8.00
- After School Club 5.30pm collection - £9.50
- After School Club 6pm collection - £11

For further information on how to go about paying and booking for these sessions please contact Sam on acornsstaff@stivichall.coventry.sch.uk.

Sports News

The Girls' football team played in their first league fixture away at Ernesford Grange Primary this week. Despite suffering a 7-0 loss, our girls were terrific and the progress the team are making is superb. All players remained positive throughout the entire game and created some great opportunities to score in the second half. It was also extremely enjoyable to celebrate Anna's birthday after the game with the whole team singing happy birthday! Well done to all involved!
Mr Hartopp, Miss Lole, Mr J Gould.

Christmas Card Project

A big thank you to everyone who ordered Christmas Cards this year, you have helped raise over £430 for Art Supplies to be used at School. It's not too late to place an order if you missed the deadline. Please use the following link <https://directschool-fundraising.co.uk>. School will earn commission on these sales. The prices for these items will be higher due to the extra cost of printing, delivering direct to you and packaging.

Music Lessons

Woodwind with Miss Rees have been cancelled on Thursday 23rd November. These have been rescheduled for Tuesday 5th December. Due to the Panto on Thursday 7th December Woodwind has been cancelled.

Strings with Miss Mohan cancelled on Friday 24th November and Friday 1st December. These lessons have been rescheduled for Monday 27th November and Monday 4th December.

Reception and Year 1 and 2 Christmas Nativity Performances

These will take place as follows:

- Tuesday 19th December - Year 2 parents invited to KS1 Nativity starting at 9.15 am
- " " " - Year 1 parents invited to KS1 Nativity starting at 2.15 pm
- Wednesday 20th December - Reception parents invited to Reception Christmas Nativity at 9.30 am

Two tickets per family will be sent home with your eldest child WC Monday 11th December.

If you know that you are unable to attend or are not using both of your tickets, then please return them to the office as we may be able to redistribute them to others. Thank you.

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: Always remember to turn off the lights when you leave a room! Olivia, 1P

Lost Property

Sadly, we have accumulated a very large amount of lost property again in just ten weeks! Please visit and check the lost property box situated on the playground outside the school office and reclaim any items that belong to your child(ren).

Clothing Reminders

As the weather is getting much colder, it is important that all children come to school wearing a warm and waterproof coat. Many activities continue to take place outside as well as children needing them at both break and lunchtimes. Remember, there is no such thing as bad weather at Stivichall, only poor choices of clothing. Please remember to name all items brought into school.

Payment Reminders

The following events are now live and available to pay via your MCAS account.

- Black Hole Planetarium
- Years 5 & 6 Athletics Competition at Xcel
- Class 6S & 6P Coventry Cathedral Blitz Museum Trip
- EYFS (Reception) and Year 1 – Warwick Arts Centre Trip to see 'The Gruffalo' production
- Years 2 to 6 – 'Cinderella' pantomime at The Belgrade Theatre

PTA Volunteer Request - 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:

- o Stock sorting
- o Stock organising
- o Stall set up at PTA events
- o Website order management

If you would like to get involved, please email us at ptastivichall@gmail.com

It's a PTA Christmas



Christmas Fayre – Volunteer Sign Up

Please note that whilst we are working hard to plan and deliver another fantastically festive Christmas Fayre, this event is 100% reliant upon volunteers. *At the moment we have more than 170 volunteer slots which are unfilled!*

Please consider whether you could fill one (or more) of these 30-min slots and help us to deliver a truly memorable Christmas Fayre. Don't let childcare issues put you off; there are a number of slots which can be filled by parents and children working together!

Sign up asap up via the following GoogleForm: <https://forms.gle/UAmLFcWax7S6iYhU6>

Year 6 Games

We are looking forward to inviting year 6 children to volunteer to run a range of fun games during the Christmas Fayre. This is a fantastic opportunity for the children to develop their independence, money-handling and teamwork skills, all whilst spreading festive cheer! The rota is being developed and will be shared with your children soon.

Christmas Raffle

Our raffle elves have been working really hard to collect some AMAZING prizes for the Christmas Raffle. Thank you to all our parents and local businesses who have donated so far! From next week, children can buy raffle tickets from their classroom (£1 for a strip of 5 tickets – please ensure that you send the correct cash).

Join us for the raffle draw during the Christmas Fayre. We'll be shaking our bells and keeping everything crossed that you may be the lucky winner of one of our amazing prizes:

- Nintendo Switch
- Tickets to a league match at CBS Arena
- Theatre / Panto Tickets
- Family days out – West Midlands Safari Park, Mad Museum, Baddesley Clinton
- Soft play vouchers
- Snowdome vouchers
- Family gym / swim passes
- Free beauty treatments
- Food and drink vouchers
- Free cleaning and gardening services
- And much more!

Please contact the PTA at ptastivichall@gmail.com if you have a small business and would like to donate a raffle prize. Thank you

Santa's Secret Shop

Don't forget to place your Secret Shop orders by Wednesday 22nd November. Please ensure that all orders are accompanied by the correct cash payment (cheques cost us money to process).

We look forward to welcoming lots of children into the shop!

Christmas Fayre – Cake Donations

ADVANCE NOTICE – The refreshments team will be asking for any cake / baked goods donations to be handed in at morning drop-off on Friday 1st December. Your generosity will go a long way towards ensuring that there are lots of delicious treats available at the Christmas Fayre

Important dates

Raffle tickets on sale in classrooms From Monday 20th November

Deadline for Secret Shop Orders Wednesday 22nd November

Deadline for volunteer sign-up Friday 24th November

Cake donations Friday 1st December – at morning drop off

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

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