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Dear Parent/Carer

The final total from last week's Ditch your School Jumper for Myton Hospice is £377.85. Thank you to everyone who contributed.

The PTA organised a successful and well-attended Christmas Fayre last week. The total monies raised are still being counted and will be shared with you as soon as possible. Thank you to everyone who made this event possible this year.

Important Dates:

- 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
- " " " - Year 4 Dodgeball Event at Xcel Centre
- Wednesday 20th December - Reception parents invited to Reception Christmas Nativity at 9.30 am
- " " " - Christmas Lunch Day: Booking must be made by Thursday 14th December

Eco warriors and Pupil Leadership Team Joint Initiative - Clean Air Campaign

Thank you for all your support and kind words to the Eco Warriors and Pupil Leadership Team this week during their Air Pollution Campaign. They showed their commitment to positive environmental change and we are all very proud of them for successfully raising awareness of the dangers of leaving car engines running. We hope that their excellent efforts this week will continue to inspire us all to do our part in keeping the air around school clean.



Well Being Ambassadors

Thank you to everyone who applied for the role of well-being ambassador. The quality high number of applications made this an incredibly tough decision. However, I am pleased to announce that the following children will take on this role from January 2024:

- Year 3: Arianna S (3P) Sienna J (3/4M)
- Year 4: Ammiya (3/4M) Evie M (4P)
- Year 5: Ruqayya (5S) Eve W (5P)
- Year 6: Pia (6P) Clara (6S)

A huge congratulations our eight new well being ambassadors. We look forward to the continued development of health and well-being under your fantastic leadership!

Mr R Gould

Reception and Year 1 visit to The Warwick Arts Centre

Children in reception and year 1, as well as staff, enjoyed their theatre trip on Wednesday to watch this year's performance of the Gruffalo. The children were extremely well behaved and all had a wonderful time.



Years 2 to 6 had a fantastic time yesterday watching Cinderella at the Belgrade Theatre and as always were a credit to our school. The children thoroughly enjoyed the performance and particularly enjoyed seeing some of their teachers on stage! Well done to Mr Gould, Mr Hartopp and Mrs Beyer for being such good sports.

Reception and KS1 Christmas Nativity Performances

These take place as follows:

- Tuesday 19th December - Year 2 parents invited to take their seats from 9am in the hall for a 9.15 performance
- " " " - Year 1 parents invited to take their seats from 2pm in the hall for a 2.15 performance
- Wednesday 20th December - Reception parents invited to take their seats from 9.15am in the hall for a 9.30 performance.

Please be aware that for safeguarding reasons photography and filming will not be allowed. A photo will be sent home before the end of term of your child in their costume.

Two tickets per family will be sent home with your eldest child in this key stage next week. If you cannot attend or will not be using both of your tickets, please do return them to the school office to enable us to redistribute them. Any spare tickets that we are able to redistribute will be handed out from the school office from Monday 18th December at drop off from 8.50 or pick up time.

Bikeability Year 5 in Spring Term

The City Council are offering to deliver Bikeability training during the first half of the Spring term. The course is primarily aimed at teaching children how to ride confidently and safely on the road. It will run for 5 weeks starting on Thursday 11th January 2024 ending on Thursday 8th February 2024. It will take place during the school day with children out of class for 1.5 hours at a time. The cost will be £12.50. If your child does not have a roadworthy bike and a helmet to take part, the Local Authority maybe able to loan one for the duration of the course, please contact the school in the first instance to make us aware.

As spaces are limited, if your child is already an able rider please allow the place for those who need it most.

In order to see how many children would like to take part, we would be grateful if you could complete the form sent out on Parent mail earlier this week and submit it by midday on Monday 11th December at the latest. More Information will then follow.

A message from the Pupil Leadership Team

We will be creating shoeboxes this year for Coventry Cyrenians charity.

Next week, we are kindly asking for donations of

Toothpaste - Mouthwash - Toothbrushes - Hairbrushes/combs - Soap - Nail brushes

If you would like to donate your own shoebox with the specified items, this will be hugely appreciated. However, we appreciate that we have asked for a number of charitable donations this term and so, alternatively, if an individual shoebox is too much then perhaps you could consider donating one of the items. The Pupil Leadership Team will gather the individual items and put together a shoebox.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support and generosity.

School Reminders

The Christmas Postbox is now out for children to post Christmas cards to their friends; these will be delivered by our Year 6 pupils. Please remember that envelopes should have both the first name and surname and class of the receiving child written on them.

Christmas Lunch Day is on Wednesday 20th December, all booking must be made on MCAS by **Thursday, 14th December**. No bookings can be made after this date.

Stivichall Acorns Wraparound Provision, bookings can now be made for Spring term on your MCAS app.

Rising 5s Admissions for September 2024, applications must be made by Monday 15th January 2024 for children due to start school in September 2024.

School Bags & Stationary Items – Please remember that school bags and personal stationary items are not necessary for daily life at school. All that is required is the book bag provided by the PTA when your child joined the school or an alternative flat bag. If your children are lucky enough to receive new bags or lovely stationary for Christmas, please remind them to keep them for use at home.

Music Lessons

Drums – Last lesson will be on Monday 18th December.

Guitar – Tuesday lessons will finish on 12th December and Friday lessons will finish on 15th December.

Piano – There will be a lesson on Wednesday 13th December, we will confirm if this is the last lesson of the term next week.

Woodwind – Lessons have finished for this term.

Orchestra – Finished for this term

Year 3 Cornets – Last lesson is on Friday 22nd December.

Family Learning

The Local Authority have shared some information leaflets with us with details regarding classes and activities for families and children. Information can be found on our website under the Community and Notice Board tab, alternatively please click on this link - <https://www.stivichallprimary.org/page/?title=Notice+Board&pid=18>

It is well worth having a look at these especially the newly launched '50 things To Do Before You're Five' free stay and play sessions and associated App.

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: When you go litter picking use a reusable bag to collect the litter in. (Freya, 3P)



Kids with Bricks Club – PLEASE REMEMBER TO VOTE

Each week our Kids with Bricks Club take part in an interschool competition and we would appreciate your votes.

Please remember to vote for us each week by using the link below. You will need to type in Stivichall Primary School and then click on the school name highlighted in blue. Please remember to cast your vote each week. Thank you for your support.

<https://www.kidswithbricks.com/voting-page>

PTA News

A thank you to all Parents, Carers, School staff & Governors involved in this year's Christmas Fayre. Once again, the event was a real success with plenty of festive cheer shared around. Nearly sixty raffle prizes were won on the day, and you will be contacted if you were one of those lucky winners! Any secret shop purchases not collected were set aside and have been sent home with children this week.

We have put together a short survey to learn, develop and improve future events for our School Community. We would be very grateful if you can take some time to share your thoughts. All feedback is welcome!

<https://forms.gle/7aorAsEBrWrKYQiw8>

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend.

Yours sincerely