

Newsletter 5 Autumn Term

13 November 2015

Dear Parents and Carers



Over the past two weeks, I have been carrying out interviews with children from each class. We had been talking about "Respect" in worship and the rights of children to a good education, and I wanted to ascertain what the children thought about school. The children were great-very forthcoming! They suggested a couple of areas where things could be improved in the school, but on the whole those interviewed are very happy at school and feel they have a good education. They told me their teachers are kind, work hard and are very supportive when they find something challenging.

Yenworthy

Mrs Chadbourne reported that year 6 had a fabulous time at Yenworthy. I'm sure the children enjoyed sharing the hundreds of photos with their parents and telling you about the wonderful activities they took part in. The children and staff came back very tired but had a fantastic week!

Hockey

We had a successful afternoon at the Y₅ and 6 school partnership hockey competition yesterday. Lots of



smiles all round and the children had a great time. One of our teams came second and goes through to the North Oxon finals. Again the children demonstrated great sportsmanship.

Children in Need Day

Today is Children in Need Day and I have had a number of children come and ask me if they could raise money for this worthy cause. As you know from my previous newsletter, the School Council has already chosen the charities we are supporting this year, and I have had to explain to the children that we can't keep on asking parents for money. Although they were disappointed, I think they understood my reasoning. Hopefully, they've enjoyed wearing their Children in Need paraphernalia in school today.

Festival of Trees December 5th at St Olave's

On December 5th, St Olave's Church will be holding its annual Festival of Trees. The children will once again be invited to come to the church to sing carols. It was lovely last year, so I hope you can join us. As you know the church are always very supportive of us in school, so I am appealing for contributions for the Tombola stall at the Festival of Trees. Donations can be left at the School Office and are greatly appreciated. Thank you!

National Anti-Bullying Week

National Anti-Bullying Week 2015 takes place next week, with the theme 'Make a Noise about bullying'. Pupils will be taking part in a range of activities throughout the week and to get the week off to a flying start we are holding a 'Blue Monday'. Children are invited to come into school wearing blue clothes on Monday 16th November to help raise awareness of bullying. No football shirts please!

Assessment Meeting Wednesday 18th November 2015 from 6pm-7pm

Please don't forget that the assessment meeting to inform parents and carers about some of the changes to assessment takes place on Wednesday evening. If you would like to attend please return the slip to the office from the letter that was emailed out earlier in the week, or inform the office directly.

Have a lovely weekend and don't get blown away in some of the high winds forecast!

Regards

Debbie McLeod Headteacher

SCHOOL DIARY

- 2 December- KS1 Trip to the Pantomime
- 5 December-Festival of Trees St Olave's
- 9 December- Secret Present Room
- 10 December-Library Van
- 10 December Year 3+4 Community Tea Party
- 14 December-School Disco-date to be confirmed
- 15 December EYFS/KS1 Nativity Performance
- 15 December-School Christmas Lunch
- 16 December- EYFS/KS1 Nativity Performance
- 17 December-Christmas Party
- 18 December- 10am Carol Service
- 18 December 3.15pm -End of Term
- 4 January INSET
- 5 January- Back to School
- 6 January- KS₂ Pantomime

St Olave's invites you to

Messy Church!

Revised time - 15th November, 4.00-5.30 (Usually 2nd Sunday of every month, same time and place) taking place at St Olave's Church, North Street, Fritwell

Theme: Daniel in the Lion's Den



All ages are welcome for a time of craft, stories, celebration and food.

Children need to bring an adult!

Everyone welcome - just come along!

(Admission Free – Donations Welcome)

For any enquiries, please contact Grace on 07908227625