



Selwyn Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Carers

Thank you to all who attended our Christmas Fair last Saturday, we trust you had an enjoyable time. We raised a substantial amount of money that will be used to support and extend your children's learning opportunities. Thank you to FOSS and all of its supporters.

Our e-safety policy ensures that children and young people are protected from harm and supported to achieve the maximum benefit from new and developing technologies without risk to themselves or others.

The aim of promoting e-safety is to protect young people from the adverse consequences of access or use of electronic media. This includes:

- Cyber-bullying;
- Accessibility and use of inappropriate images;
- Grooming by strangers and known contacts, including trusted adults;
- Real-time communications including texts, eg chat rooms, email, instant messaging, video chat
- Safe use of social networking and messaging eg Snapchat, Instagram, WhatsApp, etc.

It has been brought to our attention that many parents are using WhatsApp and Facebook as a way to communicate with each other and that some have even set up class groups. While this can be useful, there have been cases where these groups have been used to discuss the school and specific children or adults within our school. This is a breach of our safeguarding policy and a breach of our e-safety code of conduct. Please do not use social media platforms to discuss school issues and matters involving individuals. This is unfair and, quite often, incorrect information has been shared.

We have a policy for dealing with concerns and queries and we are happy to answer any questions or concerns that you may have in person.

Social media is a fantastic tool when used appropriately but can too quickly lead to negative outcomes when used to the detriment of an individual or individuals. Please use it wisely and safely, and think before you send digital content of any kind.

Kind regards

Lisa Bogle
Headteacher



Diary Dates

11 Dec	Coffee Morning 9 am – SEND Last swimming for this term – Yr 4
12 Dec	Class Attendance lunch
13 Dec	Micro-musical - Yr 2 9.15 am – parents welcome
14 Dec	Christmas Jumper Day – see below Christmas Pantomime
18 Dec	Nativity Assembly - Nursery & Reception - 11 am & 2 pm
19 Dec	Class parties
20 Dec	Carols round the Christmas tree & music concert 4 – 5 pm All welcome
21 Dec	Last day of term – 2 pm finish

Christmas Holidays

7/8 Jan	Inset days – staff only
9 Jan	Children return to school



Christmas Jumper Day



Next Friday is Christmas Jumper Day when we are all encouraged to come dressed in something festive - t-shirt, jumper, hairband, ribbons, etc - in exchange for £1.

All money raised from this will be donated to Save the Children who work with children less fortunate than us.

Christmas Fair

Thank you to everyone who supported our Christmas Fair last Saturday. Once again, it was a busy, fun-filled event which helped us all get in the Christmas spirit – especially those who were lucky enough to visit Santa in his grotto!



We are pleased to say that approximately £2,000 was raised, and a significant portion of this was money raised from sales of the children's enterprise items.



We would like to say a special thank you to Helen Wagner and her FOSS team, whose seemingly endless energy and commitment make events like this possible – and so successful!

Little Riddlers 2018

We are extremely proud to be able to report that once again some of our younger children who took part in the Young Writers Young Riddlers 2018 competition have had their poems printed in this year's book.



They are: Lana Candace Iris
Lily Amelie Zach
Hilal Arsela Rory
Sophia Scarlet

For more information, including details of how to purchase a copy of the book, please visit:

www.youngwriters.co.uk/competitions/little-riddlers

Writer of the Week



This week, our congratulations go to:
Lower Phase – Hooriya, Cherry Class
Upper Phase – Zack, Hazel Class

Micro-Musical

Today, we were treated to the first of this year's micro-musicals when Year 4 staged their version of 'A Christmas Carol'.



The children did themselves, and us, proud with their very confident and accomplished performances.



Attendance

The classes with the highest and lowest attendance for the week ending 30.11.18 were:

Highest	Percentage
Rowan Holly	100%
Birch Hazel	99.3%
Lowest	Percentage
Walnut	92.9%
Ash	92.2%
Mulberry	90.6%

Congratulations to Rowan and Holly Classes for their perfect attendance last week!



Mathematician of the Week



This week, our congratulations go to:
Lower Phase – Buddy, Cherry Class
Upper Phase – Isaac, Hazel Class