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School
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Holy Trinity
Newark

Dear Parents and Guardians

Anti-Bullying

This week is National Anti- Bullying week. Like all good schools we have an anti-bullying policy and we believe we do our utmost to ensure that every child in our care feels safe and secure. However as is life we do have falling outs and some take advantage of others. Once we know of course we pride ourselves in dealing with it immediately. Children have also been told what they must do and speak out if they feel they are being bullied.

We have been discussing with the older classes the problems of e- safety – mobile phone bullying and the dangers that the internet can bring and especially social networks. We will hold a parents' workshop/meeting about this very important issue in the New Year.

Children in Need/CAFOD Day

As I write I feel a little guilty for not having a non-uniform day. I decided against it at the time due to two non-uniform days coming up for the bazaar. On hindsight I wish I hadn't made that decision. Thank you for all the cakes etc. Our fund-raising will go half to Children in Need and half towards our water pump project for CAFOD.

Netball Tournament

The girls reached the quarter finals of the autumn netball tournament last Saturday which involved all of the Newark primary schools. The girls played brilliantly. For most of the girls this was their debut performance so they did remarkably well as a team to get as far as they did. Very well done Emily Andrew, Kenya Watson, Shannon Higgins, Tayla Rainbow, Rachel Hall, Freya Bennison and Sarah Burke! Also very well done to our two coaches Mrs Waters and Mrs Gibbons! Thank you parents for all your support!

Chess Match

We held our first match of the year against Sutton-on-Trent School last Tuesday. There were 8 players on each team and each player had 3 games. I was really very pleased at the standard of play, especially from Holy Trinity pitting their wits against some mighty opposition. 5 Of our team were making their debut representing their school at chess. The final scores were Sutton 14.5 points and Holy Trinity 9.5. Well done to Zoltan Szikszai, Joshua Briggs, Connor Stenson, Alexander McGinley, Matthew Stevens, Joshua Jackson, Ewan Kennett and Jacob Carrington. Next Tuesday (24th November) we are playing host to the autumn tournament when 14 teams will be competing for league points. Last year we came 3rd in the local league. I will be re-starting the chess club in January.

Here I Am Assembly

I would like to offer my apologies because due to unforeseen circumstances I am cancelling the Here I Am assembly on Friday 27th November.

First Holy Communion Parents' Meeting

This will take place on Monday 23rd November at 8 pm.

Book Fair

Starts on Tuesday 24th November until 1st December. Books can be purchased after 3.15 pm each evening in the school hall.

Puppet Show

D&S Enterprises will be performing their Christmas puppet show, Cinderella on the afternoon of Monday 30 November. After school, and alongside our book fair, there will be some of their puppets for sale in the hall. The cost of a puppet is £2.50/£3.00 for finger puppets, £5/£6/£8 for glove puppets and up to £35 for large puppets such as dragons.

School Admissions 2010-11

If you have a child born between 01/09/2005 and 31/08/2006 you are required to apply for a school place by 27 November 2009. If you would like your child to be considered for a place at Holy Trinity please ensure you have completed and returned your form before 12 noon next Friday. Thank you.

Music Tuition

A few parents attended a meeting with Mr Alan Walker, our instrumental teacher, to discuss music lessons in school. Mr Walker can obtain good quality second hand instruments on behalf of our pupils. He charges £5 each for a 20 min lesson involving 2 pupils. If your child is in Key Stage 2 and wishes to learn a musical instrument please contact Mr Walker on: 01636 893229.

Parish Bazaar

As you know the Parish bazaar is on Saturday 5th December. Every family will receive two books of tickets to sell today. Thank you. Our first non-uniform day is on Friday 27th November for the Bazaar. Once again we appeal to your generosity for any tombola prizes. The second non-uniform day will be on Friday 4th December for which we are requesting bottles please. Thank you!

African Drumming Day

The Key Stage 2 children really enjoyed their drumming sessions last Tuesday. I was itching to play too!

London Opera House

Our Year 5 pupils are off to the capital next Friday to watch a performance of Tchaikovsky's opera "Tsarina's Slippers" at the famous London Opera House. Wow, what an experience!

Paddington will be here soon!

As I mentioned in my last newsletter, our Foundation 1 children are eagerly awaiting the visit of Paddington Bear on Tuesday as their prize for collecting the vast sum of £1,015 for the "Touching Tiny Lives" charity.

Big Write Day

This will be on Thursday 3rd December.

Christmas Tree Festival

As last year, we will be decorating a tree for the festival at St Mary's on Friday 4 December. Please do come along and see all the beautiful trees in this lovely advent festivity at Newark Parish Church.

Advent Celebration

Our school choir will be performing along with the renowned All Saints' choir for an hour of hymns and readings at Holy Trinity Church on Friday 4th December 6.30–7.30 pm. Please do make a note in your diary to attend this lovely celebration as part of our advent preparation.

Christmas Performances/Christingle

Infant Play (Mrs McMenemy, Mrs Gibbons and Mrs Easton's children):

Tuesday 8th December at 2 pm
Wednesday 9th December at 6 pm

Year 3/4 Play (Mrs Moss, Mrs Waters and Mrs Patterson's children):

Wednesday 9th December at 2 pm
Thursday 10th December at 6.30 pm

Foundation Nativity (Mrs Mayfield's children):

Friday 11th December at 10.15 am and 2.15 pm in church

Year 5/6 Performance:

Tuesday 15th December at 2 pm
Wednesday 16th December at 7 pm

Christingle:

Friday 18th December at 2 pm in church

