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"Starting children off through God's love and Jesus' teachings"

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 17th November 2023

Christian Value: Hope
British Value: Tolerance

Living out the School Vision this Week: (Y2)

Curiosity: "I wondered how we would make our monsters move around a pivot," reported Thomas.

Compassion: "I feel for children in need who don't have a home or enough food," shared Arya.

Resilience: "We worked really hard on our story about a boy going to the fun-fair," said Arthur S.

Worship quote: "You are my hiding place and my shield; I hope in Your word." *Psalms 119:114*

Remember in our prayers: for all the children in the world who are in need.

Children in Need

We have had a brilliant day today and raised over £400 for Children in Need. The school council's 'teddy swap shop' went down well and everyone enjoyed a spotty cake. Last minute donations: <https://www.justgiving.com/page/st-pauls-childreninneed2023>

Odd Socks Day

This week has been National Anti-bullying Week. Odd socks remind us that our differences make us unique and interesting and should be celebrated.

Christmas Disco

This will take place after school on Friday 8th December: R, Y1 & Y2 finishing at 4.30pm and Y3-6 at 4.35- 6pm. School staff will get younger children changed (and any older children at Planet Play) and take them straight in to the disco. Tickets are £5.50, via school gateway.

Planet Play Christmas film Night (with popcorn)

This is a new event for the festive season, on Friday 15th December. The film will run from 3.15 until 5pm and popcorn will be served during the 'interval'. Normal Planet Play prices apply and booking should be made via School Gateway.

St Paul's Church Christmas Tree Trail

This new event is taking place at St Paul's Church, from 23rd-26th November 3.30-8pm on 23rd and 24th and 4-8pm on 25th and 26th. Many local groups and organisations will be taking part. Our children will be making decorations for the school's tree. All families are welcome to attend.

Children's Commissioner Survey

The children's commissioner, Rachel De Souza, is keen for families and children to have a voice in policy development, through the 'Big Ambition' project: https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/the_big_ambition/

Choir at St Paul's Church Carol Service

Our school choir will be performing on Sunday 17th December at 4pm, within the parish carol service. All families are very welcome to attend.

Church Christmas Fair

This event is taking place on Saturday 2nd December, at the village hall starting at 1pm. School will be running a biscuit decorating stall.

Winter Coat Donations

We are collecting children's coats in good, clean condition for the families of translators from Afghanistan, who have arrived in the UK.

Sports News

Last Saturday, our Y5/6 girls' football team played in the County finals. There was some excellent play but we were not quite in the medals this year.

School Diary

- Fri 24th Nov 2.40pm: Golden Worship R, Y1 & Y2, parents of those year groups welcome
- Fri 1st Dec: Santa fun run
- Fri 8th Dec 3pm-6pm: Christmas Disco
- Wed 13th Dec 2.15pm: Reception Christmas concert
- Thurs 14th Dec: Christmas lunch and jumper day
- Thurs 14th Dec **2pm**: Y1&2 Christmas concert
- Fri 15th Dec 3.30-5pm: Planet Play Christmas film night with popcorn
- Mon 18th Dec: school Christmas tree trail and Y3,4,5 carols, 9.05am R, Y1,Y2 parents; 2.15pm Y3-6 parents
- Tues 19th Dec 1pm: R, Y1 & Y2 Christmas party
- Wed 20th Dec 1pm: Y3-6 Christmas party
- Thurs 21st Dec 2.15pm: Christingle service in St Paul's church (parents of Y6 children welcome)
- Friday 22nd Dec: break up for Christmas

Have a good
weekend,
Mrs Gilchrist

