



The Apple

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Dear Parents/Carers

I feel a little anxious writing the newsletter this week, Mrs Pask's class did such a great job last week that I know this newsletter will not live up to their standards. I know that Mrs Pask was really impressed with the quality of writing that her class produced and we were all amazed at how well they did!

Thank you to all of those Parents/Carers who came to Parents' Evening. It was great to be able to see everyone and celebrate the successes that the children are having. I am sure that many of you will have spotted the beginnings of the school library. We are frantically adding books to the shelves and hope to have a practice with some classes before Christmas so that we are ready to open the library officially after the break. We are extremely excited!

We have managed to come in the top three in the race to win a new scooter pod for the playground – this is brilliant as it means that we have won a scooter pod. Dr Bike has been amazed by the number of bikes and scooters that have been at school each time he's popped in. Thank you all for your support, we will let you know when the pod is on the way.

Finally, the Community Inclusive Trust (the board that oversees the progress of schools within our trust) came to visit school two weeks ago to see how we are progressing. We are delighted with the report which can be found within the OfSTED section of the school website for anybody who would like to read it.

Paul Hill
Headteacher

Volleyball

Well done to the boy's and girl's school volleyball teams who were in action last week. Both teams played brilliantly and the girls managed to finish in fourth place. The judges were so impressed with our sportsmanship that they awarded us the "Fair Play Trophy".

Pirate Ship

Unfortunately the bad weather means that use of the Pirate Ship prior to school has become too risky. As such we would ask that all Parents/Carers keep their children off the ship. We would hate to have any accidents. School staff will assess the safety of the ship each day to ensure that frost etc has melted prior to use.

Christmas Tombola

Don't forget that we are collecting for our Christmas Tombola. Any unwanted gifts such as chocolates and wine would be gratefully accepted. All proceeds will go towards the school library. Many thanks.

Shutting School For Snow

With winter upon us and a cold spell forecast we would like to ensure that all Parents/Carers are aware of the way in which we would notify you should we have to close school. **We would never take this decision lightly and would only close the school should we assess the situation and realise that staff or pupils would be in danger should we open.** Notification of any closure would be by local radio, word of mouth, Twitter, Facebook and **most importantly the school website.**

Christmas Dates:

Thursday 3rd December -Christmas Cake Stall & Tombola

This will take place in the Studio straight after school, Tombola items and cake donations would be very welcome

Tuesday 8th December at 2.00pm and Thursday 10th December at 9.30am

Foundation Stage Christmas Nativity
Grandparents/Parents/Carers all welcome

Wednesday 9th December 9.30am and Friday 11th December 9.30am and 2pm

Years 1 to 6 Christmas Performances

Due to the size of the hall this event will be limited to 2 tickets per family, which will be issued on a first come first served basis and will be available from the school office from Monday.

Wednesday 9th December 1.45pm – Y2 and Y6 Violin and Recorder Concert

Tickets have been sent out to the concert members

Monday 14th December –All School Pantomime 'Mother Goose'

We have a theatre company coming in to present Mother Goose to all the school children. The show will be starting at 9.30am so please be on time today

Wednesday 16th December - Class Christmas parties

Thursday 17th December - Dress for Christmas day

We have chosen this to be our 'Dress for Christmas' day, children are quite welcome to dress up in their school uniforms, or alternatively to wear a Christmas jumper for the day. To take part there will be a donation required of £1.00 which will go towards buying books for our school library