

**St John the Baptist Cof E (Aided) Primary School, Findon**

**NEWSLETTER**

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**REMINDER – NO PARKING ON SCHOOL HILL THURSDAY**

**DON'T FORGET - CHILDREN IN NEED – FRIDAY 17<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER**

On Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November everyone can come to school dressed in spotty clothes. Also we will be holding a cake sale after school on this day. We would be grateful if as many families as possible could donate cakes (or any other bakes) to help us raise as much money as possible for Children In Need.

We are also having a fun crafty competition that all the children can enter – use your imagination to design and create a character or creature from an empty plastic bottle (any size or shape). There will be a prize for the most original entries in Key Stage 1 and 2. We would be grateful if the children could bring in a voluntary donation of £1.50, or as little or as much as you can, towards this fundraising event.

Please bring your baking and your bottle creatures/characters to school on the morning of 17<sup>th</sup> November. Many thanks - the School Council Committee.

**LOVE IN A BOX**

Mrs Langford contacted the school this morning to let us know that our school donated 56 shoe boxes to the Mustard Seed Christmas appeal this year. In total the Parish has donated 151 boxes. She will be writing to parents and staff shortly thanking everyone for their continued support.

**SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR**

Many thanks to everyone who bought books at the book fair this year. Total purchases came to £614.32 and as this was over £600, we will receive 50% of the takings, giving the school £307.16 commission to spend on books for our library.

**ADVANCE NOTICE FOR YEAR 6 PARENTS AND CHILDREN**

Please put a note in your diary that the Year 6 leavers' service at Chichester Cathedral will be on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2018 at 1.15 pm. Parents are asked to take their child to Chichester and are invited to stay for the service. We will send our further information in the New Year.

## **KS2 ANGMERING MILE**

The next KS2 cross country run at The Angmering School will be on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December. Letters will be sent out soon inviting children to take part. We would like more girls to take part so that we can make the required six in a team for the next race.

## **CHARTWELLS MEALS – ‘WE’RE ALL EARS’ SURVEY**

Chartwells' online survey is now 'live', running from Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November to Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November. They are looking for feedback from parents on how Chartwells are doing with the provision of school meals. The questionnaire can be accessed via the link below: [WESTSUSSEX.MEALSELECTOR.CO.UK/NSMW](http://WESTSUSSEX.MEALSELECTOR.CO.UK/NSMW).

## **NEWS FROM THE PTA**

### **PTA BONFIRE AND FIREWORKS FANTASIA**

**I am delighted to announce that the Findon Village Fireworks Fantasia 2017 made an incredible £2,804.64 profit!!**

That's a fantastic result and £1000 more than last year!

Thank you to everyone who came and huge congratulations to everyone who put in all the hard work running this event and making it a possibility. It was a great (sometimes wet) day but an absolutely fantastic team and fun to be a part of.

Further details will be available at the next meeting to be scheduled soon. In the meantime, please do get in touch if you had any specific feedback you'd like noted.

Sadie – PTA Chair

### **BAGS2SCHOOL COLLECTION WEDNESDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> NOVEMBER AT 9 AM**

Please don't forget to bag up your unwanted textiles including clothes, shoes and soft toys to bring to school on the morning of the 22nd November. Not only will you be raising money for your school but helping the environment by recycling. Bags were sent home last week but if you need more, any other bags can be used to donate your items.

## **REMINDER - DATES FOR THE REST OF THIS TERM**

November	16	Meeting for new parents at 8.50 am Football & Netball at East Preston Juniors
	17	Children In Need fundraising day
	22	Bags2School Collection at 9 am
	23	Year 1 & Year 2 - Half mile cross country run
	27	Y3 & Y4 Football tournament – letters sent home today
	29	Astracolour school photos Last Netball Club session
	30	Flu nasal vaccinations for R to Year 4 (only with consent) Y5/6 Football & Netball (home) –v- St Margaret’s – to be confirmed
December	01	Violin concert at 10 am
	03	School Choir will be singing at village Christmas Lights Switch On at 5.30 pm on Pond Green (choir arrive at 5.15 pm)
	05	KS2 Angmering Mile
	06	Last Karate Club session
	07	Year 6 Heights & Weights Y5/6 Football & Netball (home) –v- Ferring – to be confirmed
	08	Whole school trip to panto in Worthing – letter going home this week
	12	Nativity performance at 2 pm
	13	Nativity performance at 6 pm
	15	PTA Christmas disco
	17	School choir will be singing at St John the Baptist church at 5 pm – 9 Lessons and Carols
	18	Christmas Service at church at 9.30 am
	20	Christmas parties and last day of term
January	04	Back to school