

Just Around the Corner...

Hello everyone, I am writing to you all as December is almost upon us and the time of year when we start to plan and rehearse our Christmas celebrations. This is where school life becomes even busier as we all try and keep track of who is performing where and when! I look forward to seeing many of you in the coming weeks as we head towards the end of our first term at school. I have just a few messages for you all this week.

Sickness and Diarrhoea Bug – 48 hours please

As the seasons change and we move into the colder months, it inevitably leads to the normal coughs, colds and sneezes across the school. In recent weeks we have had a higher than normal number of children off with sickness and diarrhoea so please urge parents and carers to keep their children off for 48 hours as a minimum to try and stop the spread of infection. In school we are talking regularly to the children about handwashing, blowing noses using a tissue etc. to try and reduce greatly the risk of infection further. I appreciate you supporting this, it is an almost impossible task to stop it completely but by us all trying to adhere to a few simple guidelines, it definitely helps. Thanks everyone.



Children In Need 2017

I just wanted to pass on my heartfelt thanks and gratitude to you all for the kind donations you made to support Children in Need 2017. As a school we collected £351.36 which is a brilliant achievement and will go a long way to support vulnerable children across the UK.

Performance Tickets

Just a quick reminder to you all that our Christmas Performance tickets will go on sale from this Thursday 1st December in the main office at school. We hope you can come along and support these magical events.



Dee Point Choir – Simply Amazing!!

I just wanted to mention how amazing our school choir have been in their first performance of this festive period. On Thursday last week 16 children from Year 4 performed at Chester Sings in the heart of the city on Thursday night and they were incredible. The choir tour continues next week on both Monday and Tuesday as they perform at the Blacon Community Carol Service on Monday evening at Holy Trinity at 6pm. They then perform the evening after at the St Mary's Centre as part of Angel Voices. Tickets are available for this event from the following box office: www.ticketsource.co.uk/creativemarys. The children are so talented and incredible, it is a privilege to watch them perform. Good luck next week everyone!



Good Luck Mrs Seddon

We said a sad, yet exciting farewell to Mrs Seddon on Friday as she starts her maternity leave. We eagerly await the news of when her first child will arrive in the next few weeks. We are keeping fingers crossed she has a bit of time to rest and recuperate before her new baby arrives. I am also delighted to welcome our new teacher in Reception, Miss Lisa Pickton who will be covering for Mrs Seddon whilst she is away. I know you will all make her feel incredibly welcome to our school and I know she can't wait to get started with our brilliant children.



New Table Tennis Tables

I am delighted that we have purchased 2 outdoor permanent table tennis tables which will be used by a large number of children this week. We have spoken a lot to the children about looking after and respecting the equipment and resources in school and I am really pleased we have another resource to keep them occupied, engaged and enthused during break and lunchtimes. We look forward to planning the rest of our outdoor space once the demolition has been completed.



● ● ● Building & Demolition Update

Thank you everyone for supporting the slight changes that have been made to the access points in and out of the building. The narrowed exit and entrance routes are only for the next couple of weeks whilst the two storey part of the school is being demolished. It is incredible how quickly this has now happened and by the end of this week there will only be a few bits and pieces to remind us where the old building was!!! This week I am meeting with the contractor to start to plan out the new play spaces so will look forward to sharing these ideas with you once they have been confirmed.



Sports News ● ● ●

We have played in a few tournaments in the last couple of weeks. Firstly we played in the BEV Basketball tournament and finished a commendable 3rd out of 5, narrowly missing out on 2nd place by 1 point. A brilliant team effort though and we look forward to some further tournaments at the home of Cheshire Phoenix in the new year.

Our footballers had a mixed week, with a tough tournament where they drew 1 game and lost 2 but that was followed by a cup victory over St Claire's which has put us into the quarter-finals. We look forward to meeting our next opposition in the new year.

● ● ● ...And Finally

Thanks everyone, I look forward to seeing a number of you tomorrow evening at our parents drop-in meetings. An informal opportunity to meet classteachers, look through books and share your children's fabulous learning journey so far this year.

It's going to be a cold week, so please remember to put names in hats, gloves, scarves and coats!! Thanks as always for your continued support.

Kind regards

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