# The Newsletter for Whimple Primary School.

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#### Christmas celebration events

#### Years 3, 4, 5 & 6, the Choir (including Year 2) and Advanced Recorders

On Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December at 6.00 pm we would like parents and children to join us in the church for our Carol Service.



The choir, readers (Year 6), door ushers and recorder players will need to arrive at church at 5.40 pm. These children will all be seated at the front of the church in the choir stalls with the exception of the recorder players whom, like all other children, can sit with their parents to participate in the service.

<u>Reception, Year 1 & Year 2</u> Our Christmas performance this year is 'Whoops-a-Daisy Angel'. The ticketed performances will take place in the hall on:

> Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 5.45 pm Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 5.45 pm



Four tickets will be sent home with each child on Monday - two for each performance. The tickets are for anyone attending in the audience, including children of any age. (Children at school will have watched our dress rehearsal.) Unfortunately we are limited by the hall capacity and health and safety regulations.

Children in Reception and Year 1 will need to be taken to the room at the back at the hall at 5.20 pm so members of staff can help them change. Children wearing their own clothes will be able to take them home so they can come back already dressed in them.

For the performance the Year 2s can wear smart clothes - party dress, trousers, shirt and waistcoat, all finished off with some tinsel. Parents should have received details about what is required for costumes for children in Year 1 and Reception. Any queries please see the relevant class teacher. Please can all clothes/costumes be brought into school in a **CLEARLY NAMED BAG** on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December ready for our dress rehearsal in the afternoon.

# Don't Forget:



# <u>Scholastic Book fair</u>

We shall be having a book fair after school from the 5th to the 8th of December. It will be held in the Annex from 3.30 - 4.15 pm There looks to be a lovely variety of books for sale - ideal stocking fillers. For every book bought our school will get one free. Please come and support us.

# Bollywood comes to Whimple for parents of Beech class!

For their Dance unit this term Beech Class have been learning some Bollywood moves and are going to perform their few minutes of Bollywood in assembly at 3 pm on Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> December.





# <u>Christmas dinner – Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December</u>

We would like children to wear Christmas jumpers/festive coloured clothes for a small donation for 'Stand up for Cancer'. To finish the outfit off, don't forget to make a hat to wear with it.

# <u>Christmas Post Box</u>

The school Christmas post-box will be available in the lobby outside the School Office for all the children's cards from Monday. Please encourage your children to use it as everyone loves to receive cards from our Willow posties!





<u>Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December</u> – school is closed – non-pupil day.

#### <u>Musicians Assembly – Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December</u> Come and listen to our talented instrumentalists at 2.45 pm in the hall.

<u>Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December</u> - school finishes at 1.30pm and we return on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January.

# School Choir and Musician Groups



Thank you to those who attended our assembly last week - yet another great performance by all the children involved. Well done! Don't forget you can hear the choir at our Carol Service on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December at 6 pm and also the Christingle Service in Whimple church on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December at 4 pm.

#### Trip to Killerton

Reception and Year 1 children were treated to a great day out at Killerton House on Monday.

The theme this year was tales', 'Grimm fairy in particular, Red Riding Hood, Hansel and Gretel, Sleeping Beauty, The Elves and the Shoemaker and Rapunzel. All the children had been read the stories beforehand and they have been listening to and writing their own versions.





Consequently, the children were very knowledgeable when asked questions by the staff; they thoroughly enjoyed all the activities around the house, visiting each story/room in turn.



In the afternoon, we followed the outdoor trail and made the most of the autumn leaves and sunshine.





#### Anglo Saxon Fun Day

Beech Class have had a great time today.

Along with wearing their own Anglo Saxon attire they have been cooking vegetable broth, heavy oat bread, honey shortbread and baked apples. They have been involved in drama sessions, writing with runes, quizzes, setting up their exhibition and of course tasting! A huge thank you to Miss Clarke, Mrs Killen and Mrs Wall for all their efforts.













Just an early reminder that it is the School Christmas Fair on the afternoon of Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December in the Victory Hall .The fair is run by the parents for the children and we would welcome your help to make this another great day.

To help make things easier each class will be allocated a task and it will be their responsibility to organise,

set up, find helpers on the day and clear up their area at the end of the fair.

The class reps will be given more information on what is expected for each allocated task. Times in brackets are when the classes will be taken to the Fair.

Class 5 Willow (1 pm) - Reps Caroline Rowe & Alison Large - Grotto Decoration

Class 1 Elm (1.30 pm) - Rep Tanya Hynd & Donna Woolston - Cake stall- (seasonal cakes / cookies)

Class 4 Beech (2 pm) - Louise Fenner & Georgina Bayley - Adult Gifts

Class 3 Oak (2.30 pm) - Reps Katy Hill & Kirsty Sherwood - Lucky Dip

Class 2 Ash (3 pm) – Reps Charlotte Woollam & Angela Pirrie - Bric a Brac stall

If you can help or donate any of the above please let the class reps know or leave items in the school office by the latest **Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December**.

# WE REALLY APPRECIATE YOUR HELP IN ANY WAY, THIS IS A DAY THAT THE CHILDREN REALLY LOOK FORWARD TO AND ENJOY

THANK YOU



- Check for your child's bag for tickets to Whoops-a-daisy angel.
- Bring any items to the school office for the Christmas fair as soon as you can.
- Remind children to make their Christmas hat for wearing whilst eating their Christmas dinner on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December.

# **Dates for your diary**

December 2ndNon pupil day (disagDecember 5th - 8thScholastic Book FairDecember 6thBollywood comes toDecember 8thCarol Concert in theDecember 9thChristmas FairDecember 13th5.45 pm Christmas FDecember 14thChristmas dinnerDecember 14th5.45 pm Christmas FFriday 16thDecember - School finishes at 1.30 pm

Non pupil day (disaggregated) Scholastic Book Fair – 3.30 pm – 4.15 pm Bollywood comes to Whimple, Beech parents 3 pm Carol Concert in the Church – 6 pm Christmas Fair 5.45 pm Christmas Production (Reception & KS1) Christmas dinner 5.45 pm Christmas Production (Reception & KS1)

January 4<sup>th</sup>

Term starts for pupils

More dates will be added. Whilst we try and give as much notice as possible we occasionally get last minute opportunities which are too good to miss!

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