

Ellwood School Updates



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Friday 29th November 2019

We raised a total of £353.50 for Children in Need this year, thank you so much to everyone who bought merchandise and for your generous donations. We have also raised £60 from your donations to Rags 2 Riches. Thank you!

- ⇒ **Wednesday 4th Dec** - All Rotary club Christmas shoeboxes to be handed in by this day. (You can collect one from the school office).
- ⇒ **Friday 6th Dec** - Last day of after school clubs. Non school uniform day in exchange for tombola prizes/donations for the Christmas Fayre.
- ⇒ **W/C 9th Dec** - We have play equipment being installed this week so please supervise your children closely before and after school, ensuring they are in school on time and collected promptly to avoid any vehicles.
- ⇒ **Tuesday 10th Dec** - Years 3 & 4 will be swimming on Tuesday 10th December so please remember swimming kits.
- ⇒ **Thursday 12th Dec** - Reception and years 1, 2 and 3 will be doing their Christmas nativity at Whitemead and will need a packed lunch, tickets will be issued shortly. *
- ⇒ **Friday 13th Dec** - Our Christmas jumper day and Christmas school dinner will be on Friday 13th. Please don't feel as though you need to purchase a Christmas jumper, any jumper will do. Just to clarify, Christmas jumper/normal jumper is to be worn with normal uniform, it is not non uniform day.
We will also be holding our Christmas Fayre from 3:30 - 5:00pm.*
- ⇒ **Thursday 19th Dec** - The whole school will be going to a Christmas Pantomime at Monmouth Savoy Theatre during school hours. We ask that children bring a packed lunch on this day, feel free to make it a Christmas themed lunchbox by including some party food or by decorating their lunchbox. If your child usually has "free school meals" please let either the office or the class teacher know if you would like a packed lunch ordered. **School will also finish at 2pm this day.**
- ⇒ **Friday 20th Dec** - Inset day.
- ⇒ **Monday 6th Jan** - Monday 6th January is our first day back in the new year.

Important Information

- * If you are planning on bringing older siblings to the Christmas play at Whitemead, you will need to purchase an extra ticket for them to ensure there is enough seating.
- * If anyone would like to donate any adult or children tombola prizes for the raffle at the Christmas fayre that would be great.

Important information continued....

- * Head Bumps- As some parents have been made aware, over the last couple of weeks parents are being contacted if a child has bumped their head in school. We appreciate that for some parents, particularly working parents, that this may be proving a little frustrating. However, please be assured that there is not an increase in children receiving head bumps but we feel if parents are aware, they have the choice as to whether to come and check their child's injury, to collect them or seek medical advice. Parents are then informed and are able to take responsibility and monitor their child carefully when they return to their care.

If you are informed your child has bumped their head, please monitor them closely. The school first aid slips give some information of what symptoms of concussion to look out for. Some of these symptoms could include: headaches, dizziness, fatigue, irritability and difficulty with thinking skills, such as memory and attention, trouble with balance/ clumsiness, unusual behaviour - may become irritated easily, feeling stunned, dazed, changes in your vision, being knocked out or struggling to stay awake.

- * We have received many shopping lists for our secret shopping event—thank you! Please return any outstanding lists with the money by the morning of Friday 6th December.