

Ellwood School News



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Christmas Fayre Reminder

Just a reminder that we will be holding our Christmas Fayre on Saturday 25th November 11 a.m.–1.00 p.m.

A letter has been sent home from the Friends with further details.

Donations for the Tombola are still welcome.

We look forward to seeing you all there!



School Photographs

If you would like to purchase your child's school photograph, please return the completed order form to school by Wednesday 22nd November.

Thank you.

Rotary Shoebox Scheme

We will be supporting the Rotary Shoebox Scheme again this year, which proved to be very successful last year. If you are interested in taking part, please return the reply slip on the letter sent home.



Internet Safety

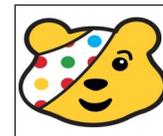
Mr Phelps will be holding an Internet Safety talk on Wednesday 6th December at 2.30 p.m. in the school hall and will be open for all parents to attend. Please attend if you can.

This is an opportunity for any concerns regarding safety issues around social media and APPs and generally staying safe whilst your children are online.



Children In Need

One of our pupils Charlie Mitchell will be on the BBC Children In Need programme on Friday 17th in an item about Cardiff City Football Club Foundation, please watch out for him!



Thank you to everyone who has purchased our Children in Need goodies and who have donated cakes for our cake sale today. We will let you know the final total next week.

Thank you!

Parents Evenings

Many thanks to all the parents/carers that have attended parents evenings this week. It was great to see so many attend.

Thank you also for your patience with our online booking system. We hope that this was an easier way to book appointments and we have now hopefully ironed out any teething problems.

Anti-Bullying Week

As some of you may have been aware, it was Anti-Bullying week this week. The children took part in a number of activities during the week: we had a visit from a Police Officer and a PCSO, where they talked to children about staying safe on-line.

Children in class have talked about being a good friend, treating people kindly and what to do if you are being bullied or think that someone else is being bullied. We are a 'telling school' and encourage children to tell a friend, class teacher, Mrs Milford or Mrs Charles (FSW) if they are unhappy or if they have any concerns.

We also have a worry box in the library where children can draw or write a problem or worry on a piece of paper and place it in the worry box. Mrs Charles checks the box regularly and will speak to children that have placed something in the box.

Also you will have seen that a drawing competition was sent out this week in conjunction with the NSPCC, we look forward to seeing some great entries.

Christmas Dinner Request Reminders

Could Christmas Dinner reply slips, please be returned to school by Monday 20th November.

Please note that children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 do not have to pay for their Christmas Dinner, as they have Universal Free School Meals.

For those children who are not in receipt of free school meals, the cost of the Christmas meal is £2.28 which may be paid using ParentPay.



Thank you.

Mornings

Only parents of Reception children may enter the building in the mornings. We would be grateful if parents of the other classes say their goodbyes at the door as we are finding that the classes and corridors are getting too congested and this then impacts of the start of the school day and the children's learning.

Please use the link book to relay any messages.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Spelling Challenge - Reminder

Please remember to keep practising your child's spelling words for the Spelling Challenge on Friday 15th December.

If you need another copy of the words, please either make a note in your child's link book or speak to your child's teacher.

Spelling

Thank you!

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all parents/carers for their ongoing support with all the activities/events that have taken place or about to take place.

We understand that this is a busy time of year and that we seem to be asking for many contributions of late but your support is truly appreciated. We do not want children to miss out opportunities if they want to take part. All are optional, so please don't feel pressured to join in.



Whizz Kids Reply Slips

If you haven't already returned your Whizz Kids reply slip, could you please return it by Wednesday 22nd November, so we can finalise numbers of children participating.

Thank you.



Parent Questionnaires

Just a reminder to return any parent questionnaires from the parents evening to school as soon as possible so we can collate the information and give you some feedback.

Diary Dates

November 2017

- Fri 24th Nov - Non uniform - sportswear
Martial Arts - taster session (whole school)
Whizz Kids –Sponsored Mile (after school)
- Sat 25th Nov - Christmas Fayre 11 a.m.—1 p.m.

December 2017

- Wed 6th Dec - Christmas Dinner
- Tue 12th Dec - Nativity 1.45 p.m. Rec, Y1, Y2, Y3
- Wed 13th Dec - Nativity 6 p.m. Rec, Y1, Y2, Y3
- Thurs 14th Dec - Nativity 6 p.m. Rec, Y1, Y2, Y3
- Fri 15th Dec - Whole School Spelling Challenge
- Mon 18th Dec - Carol Service 3.30 p.m. Y4, Y5, Y6
- Tue 19th Dec - Christmas Party Day
- Wed 20th Dec - **END OF TERM - 2 p.m. finish**