



# NEWSLETTER

## November 2019

### What have we been up to?

All children in the Academy took part in Anti-bullying week activities earlier this month. They had special assemblies and lessons in class to help them understand issues around bullying.

Kestrels and Merlins children came to school dressed as Scarecrows for their Archie Day and welcomed residents from Immacolata House.

Thank you to everyone for your contributions to this year's Children in Need appeal. We raised a grand total of £335.20 for this very worthy cause.

The Junior topic outcome day was a resounding success earlier this week. The staff and children came to school dressed as Ancient Egyptians and Ancient Greeks and spent the day taking part in workshops which included food tasting, quizzes, playing board games, pot designing and other art activities. We hope that parents who were able to make it along, enjoyed seeing the children's work.



### Christmas Events

This Sunday 1st December, the school choir will be singing in the Market Square in Somerton, at 3.15pm during the switching on of the Christmas lights. Please do come along and see them perform!

Our Christmas Fair is next Friday 6th December 2019 in the hall on the Junior site. **We are going to walk the Infant children over to the Junior site for 3.00pm next Friday, when you will be able to collect your children and visit the Fair. Please note that the Junior children will also finish their school day at 3.00pm next Friday, ready for the start of the Fair.**

Hopefully you will have seen our flyer informing you that the children are welcome to wear a Christmas Jumper or something Christmassy on the day of their Christmas meal. This is on 17th December for the Infant children and on 19th December for the Junior children.

The Junior Carol Concert is taking place on Tuesday 17th December at 7.00pm at St. Michael's Church in Somerton.

The Infant Christmas party is taking place after school on 19th December, details to follow.



## PTFA

The big fundraising event for this half term is the Christmas fair on 6th December at the Junior site after school. Father Christmas will be in his grotto, tickets are available from the school offices on both sites £2 per child. We have lots of stalls including games, tombola and arts and crafts. The school choir will be giving a performance and there will be a colouring competition.

The PTFA will be selling refreshments and raffle tickets. We have some fantastic prizes to be won from Boots, Hestercombe Gardens, Tony's Fish and Chip shop, Burns the Bread, Nail and Treatment Studio, Stationary House, Victoria's Hair Design, the Chocolate Shop, Wheathill Golf Club and Oak Barn Photography. We are looking forward to welcoming all the children from both sites at the fair, don't forget to bring some pennies and enjoy the fair!

Hampers will be raffled off at all the Nativity performances and Junior Carol Concert and there will be a Christmas party for the Infant children (details to follow)

All the money raised goes back to our school. This half term we are donating money towards the classroom budgets across all 3 sites, a donation is being made for the food at the topic outcome day and we are paying for the pantomime workshop at the Junior site.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

5th December	Ladies Christmas Quiz
6th December	Christmas Fair on Junior site
10th December	KS1 Nativity performance at 2pm
11th December	KS1 Nativity performance at 10am
12th December	Pantomime at Junior School (AM) and EYFS Nativity performance at 2pm
13th December	Owlets Nativity Performance
17th December	Choir to sing at Laburnum House and Infant Christmas lunch
18th December	Pipits and Wagtails visit to Stourhead
19th December	Junior Christmas lunch and Infant Christmas party after school
20th December	Last day of term
21st December to 5th January 2020	Christmas Holidays
Monday 6th January	Start of Spring Term



## Sporting Achievements

Junior School children took part in house football and netball tournaments this month, both of which were won by the Vikings!

Our school was also represented at the Sportshall Athletics and the Badminton tournament and only this week, two of our pupils won the Boccia tournament and are through to the county final in February—congratulations to Aidie and Cody.

## School Uniform

We are really pleased to see so many children coming to school smartly dressed in their school uniforms.

We would like to remind parents that boots—whatever the length - are not part of school uniform for girls. Please could you ensure that girls wear school shoes to school. Thank you.

## Parking

Please note!

Below is a picture of part of the pavement on Kirkham Street. This is the pedestrian facilities for people with visual impairment. Please take care when parking here as a number of visitors to the school have been fined for parking across the dimpled pavements.

