

EC St James' News



November 2017



Macmillan Coffee Morning

A big thank you for supporting Macmillan Cancer Support. We raised £433.75 from our coffee morning & raffle, sale of cakes by the School Council and our non-uniform day. Well done to everyone!!



Harvest Festival

Thank you for your generous gifts donated for our Harvest. As in previous years, the majority of donations received have been sent to the food bank at Christ Church in Chadderton.

Friends of ECSJ Group

Our Friends Group would like to thank all parents for the support given to their Spooky Discos before the half term holiday, especially to those who helped to organise and staff the events. The two discos raised a little over £500 which will benefit all classes during the Christmas period eg. refreshments for 210 children at the pantomime, prizes/gifts for Christmas parties. THANK YOU!



After School Clubs this half term

Tuesdays – Y4, 5 & 6 Multi-Sports

Tuesdays – Rec, Y1, 2 & 3 Football

Tuesdays – Let's Get Cooking

Wednesdays – Y4, 5 & 6 Netball

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Thursdays – Anna's Dance

Fridays – Y2, Y4, 5 & 6 Chess

There will be **NO Wednesday Multi-Sports & Netball ASCs on 14th November** due to Parents Evening. Also **NO chess ASC on Fri 1st Dec** as all children will be visiting the Pantomime at Middleton Arena.

Please note – After school clubs will finish week ending Friday, 8th December.



Pantomime Trip – All Classes

On Friday, 1st December Reception Class & Years 1-6 are going to see a performance of 'Sleeping Beauty' at the Middleton Arena. We will leave school after lunch and arrive back between **4-4.15pm, depending on the traffic.**

Please Note: ALL children must be collected from their classrooms. School uniform needs to be worn please. Refreshments will be provided by the Friends Group.



'Let's Get Cooking'

The 'Let's Get Cooking' club will start tomorrow, **Tuesday, 14th November for 4 weeks.** If you are interested in your child joining the club, please see Mrs Baran (Year 5), as there are still spaces available. Please send your completed permission slip and £25 (cash only) into school as soon as possible.

Outdoor PE Kit

All children now need their outdoor PE kit in school **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE / By Mon 20th Nov.** (**Plain navy blue tracksuit bottoms AND tracksuit top, pale blue t-shirt and trainers**)

Operation Christmas Child

Please bring individual items and place in the collection box in the school hall. Completed shoe boxes to be sent to the school office. Thank you.

Helpful Reminders –

Parking Outside the School Gates

Please could parents take care when parking outside the school. Please **do not** park across the zig-zag lines as this makes it very unsafe for children and their families crossing the road and also for local residents. Also, please **do not** use the school car park to drop off or collect your child / children.

Absence Guidelines

If your child is absent please telephone school on the first day and follow their absence up with a letter. It is **essential** you follow these guidelines as failure to do so could result in your child receiving an unauthorised absence mark. If you think you may have forgotten to send a follow-up absence letter please contact the school office as our attendance is closely monitored by the School Attendance Improvement Service.

NOVEMBER - DIARY DATES

- Mon 13th Nov** – Family / Individual photographs –morning. Please ensure your child is wearing their full school winter uniform (with tie for Years 1-6 only)
- Mon 13th Nov** – Y6 class assembly – 2.30-3pm
- Mon 13th Nov** – Parents Evening – 3.10-6.00pm
- Wed 15th Nov** – Parents Evening – 3.10-5.30pm
- Fri 17th Nov** – Children In Need day – sponsored Pudsey fun run – sports / non-uniform clothes including trainers
- Mon 20th Nov** – Y5 class assembly – 2.30-3pm
- Mon 20th Nov** – Y4 Bikeability – Level 1 (morning)
- Tues 21st Nov** – Y5 Bikeability – Level 1 (morning) – Level 2 (afternoon)
- Wed 22nd Nov** – Y5 Bikeability – Lev 2 (all day)
- Thurs 23rd Nov** – Y6 Bikeability – Level 1 (morning) – Level 2 (afternoon)
- Fri 24th Nov** – Y6 Bikeability – Lev 2 (all day)
- Fri 24th Nov** – Deadline to bring in items for shoeboxes to send to Operation Christmas Child / complete shoeboxes
- Mon 27th Nov** – Y4 class assembly – 2.30-3pm
- Tues 28th Nov** – Rec class trip to Castleshaw (letter to follow)

DECEMBER - DIARY DATES

- Fri 1st Dec** – Pantomime trip – Sleeping Beauty – Middleton Arena – Setting off at 12.15 – returning for 4-4.15pm (approx)
- Mon 4th Dec** – Y3 class assembly – 2.30-3pm
- Wed 6th Dec** – Choir to perform at the 'Wednesday' Club (afternoon)
- Fri 8th Dec** – Choir to perform at Shawside (afternoon)
- W/C Mon 11th Dec** – **** NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS THIS WEEK ****
- Tues 12th Dec** – Infants Christmas Show – Afternoon 1.45-2.45pm & Evening 6-7pm (tickets on sale nearer the time)
- Wed 13th Dec** – Christmas Dinner – letter to follow
- Fri 15th Dec** – Christingle service in Church – 1.30-2.45pm and afterwards in the school hall for refreshments and Christmas Raffle
- Sat 16th Dec** – Choir and Anna's Dancers performing at St Saviour's Church, Buckstones Rd 12.00 noon – 12.30pm
- W/C Mon 18th Dec** – **** NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS THIS WEEK ****
- Mon 18th Dec** – Christmas Parties (**all key stages**).
- Thurs 21st Dec** – Christmas Service in HALL - 1.45-2.45pm.



School closes for the Christmas holidays on Thursday, 21st December at 3pm and re-opens on Monday 8th January 2018

