

Newsletter 5

Dear Parents/Carers

Children in Need

We are absolutely delighted with the amount of money we have raised for Children in Need this year. From our 'Spotacular' Smarties Appeal we have raised an enormous £2817.04!!! Thank you to Mrs O'Hora for organising the day and many, many thanks to our wonderful children and parents for their support.

Early Years Pyjama Evening

We had a magical evening this week when our Early Years children came back to school in their pyjamas to listen to bedtime stories, read books with their adult and enjoy some chocolate milk and a biscuit. Many thanks to the Early Years staff for organising such a lovely evening.

Early Years Phonics & Maths

We also held a great Phonics workshop for Reception parents and a Literacy & Maths workshop for Nursery parents. We do hope you all found the evenings helpful and informative. Many thanks to all who attended and to the Early Years Staff for organising the evening.

Hot Chocolate Shed

We really enjoyed opening our Hot Chocolate Shed this week and hope it helped combat the onset of the cold, dark evenings! We will be opening again on a number of days in the lead up to Christmas so watch out for texts telling you when! Our next session will be on Wednesday 22nd November 2.45-3.15pm in the outdoor shed near the Year 3 entrance – we hope to see you there!

Robinwood

Our year 6 pupils are preparing for their residential to Robinwood on Monday 20th November for three days. While there, they will take part in a huge range of activities such as archery, canoeing and rock climbing. We know they will have a fantastic time. We are hoping to share pictures on our **Magical Times Blog** and on **Twitter @ThackleyPrimary** while they are there so do have a look and see what they are getting up to.

Open Mornings

Parents who have children who will be due to start school in September 2018 will be going through the process of applying for primary school places. Information booklets 'Applying for Primary School' and 'Guide for Parents' can be viewed from the council website www.bradford.gov.uk Open Mornings for prospective parents will be held over the next few weeks. Please phone the office for dates and times. If any of you have any family or friends that this applies to, please let them know.

Christmas is coming!

We are currently organising a Christmas Fair on Friday 1st December after school. We are also planning two Christmas Movie nights where you and your children are invited to come to school in your pyjamas and watch a Christmas Movie, eat popcorn and have a chocolate drink! A separate letter will follow shortly with more details of all these events.

PTA – Secret Christmas Shop

Our fab PTA team are organising a Secret Christmas Shop in school where children can buy gift-wrapped presents for mum/dad, grandparents etc at a cost of £2 per present. Children from all classes will be given the opportunity to buy a present in school time on **Thursday 30th November**. The PTA will send out more details soon.

Medical Appointments

Please note that if your child is attending a medical appointment during school time such as the dentist, doctors or hospital, we do need to see a copy of the appointment letter before they are absent from school. Could we please ask that you do your best to make appointments for after school as time off for appointments does affect your child's attendance record.

Class Attendance

The Class Attendance winners for the week ending 3rd November ★ 5N & 6P with 97.5% ★ The Class Attendance winners for the week ending 10th November ★ 5M & 6P with 99.7% ★ The Class Attendance winners for the week ending 17th November ★ 2RO with 99.7% ★

Winter Snow Advice

With winter fast approaching, the prospect of snow raises the question 'will school be closed?' The decision to close or open during challenging weather conditions is never taken lightly and it



depends on the severity of the snowfall and the immediate forecast. Every effort to stay open is made and we will close school only on health and safety grounds if we do not have enough staff able to get into work. It remains at parents' discretion if they deem it safe to bring their children and we are sympathetic to parents if they bring them to school after registration. If we do decide to close school we will inform parents as soon as possible through the school website, our text service, the Bradford schools online website and local radio.

Class Assemblies for Autumn Term

All classes will be performing class assemblies over the course of the year. Parents are very welcome to attend when it is their child's class assembly. These assemblies are held on **Tuesdays at 9.00am**

| Class | Date of Class Assembly | | | |
|-------|------------------------|--|--|--|
| 5M | 21.11.17 | | | |
| 6P | 28.11.17 | | | |

Special Mention in Celebration Assemblies

Each class teacher nominates a child to receive a Celebration Certificate in recognition of something they have done that week such as an outstanding piece of work or an excellent attitude to their work. These children are presented with their certificate in a whole school assembly on a Friday and then get their picture taken for Twitter.

| Class | 3 rd November | | 10 th November | | 17 th November | |
|-------|--------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| RG | * | Bailey Wright | * | Louie Brook | * | Bradley Evans |
| RW | * | Ben Dempsey | * | Aston Skillicorn | * | Mylo Bell |
| 10 | * | Sophie Hartley-Ward | * | Elliott Deering | * | Harry Saunders |
| 1B | * | William Bentley | * | Max Varey | * | Jayden Howard |
| 2E | * | Oliver Everett-Goodwill | * | All of 2E and 2RO for | * | Sam Moylan |
| 2RO | * | Daniel Marks | * | their Autumn Fair | * | Keegan Nelson & Finley Binns |
| 3W | * | Summer Brewster | * | Lucy Hawkins | * | Harriette Bowes |
| 3B | * | Lola-Joy Lumley | * | Isabelle Jamieson | * | Hollie-Mae Bell |
| 4C | * | Leighton Burrow | * | Raygen-Jay Bleazard | * | Horatio Thorpe |
| 4L | * | Annalise Borza | * | Jack Snowden | * | Emily Horner |
| 5M | * | James Housley | * | Oliver Gaunt | * | Joshua Binns |
| 5N | * | Tyler Muir | * | James Bywater | * | Grace Bastow |
| 6P | * | Isabel Lee | * | Nathan Artist | * | Freya Webster |
| 6C | * | Ella Hume | * | Jude Nash | * | Nathaniel Wilson |

Diary Dates

More information about these events will be sent in further letters.

| Robinwood Y6 Residential | Monday 20 th - Wednesday 22 nd November | | | |
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| PTA Secret Santa Shop | Thursday 30 th November | | | |
| Christmas Fair | Friday 1 st December 3.15pm | | | |
| Y6 Robinwood Assembly | Tuesday 5 th December 2.15pm | | | |
| EYFS Nativity | Wednesday 6 th December 2pm & Thursday 7 th December 9am | | | |
| Year 5 & 6 Christmas Performance | Thursday 7 th December 1.30pm & 6.30pm | | | |
| Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner Day | Friday 8 th December | | | |
| Year 3 & 4 Christmas Performance | Monday 11 th December 1.30pm & 6.00pm | | | |
| Year 1 & 2 Nativity | Tuesday 12 th December 9.00am & 2.00pm AND Wednesday | | | |
| | 13 th December 9.00am | | | |
| Christmas Movie Night (PG Film) | Wednesday 13 th December 6.00pm | | | |
| Christmas Movie Night (U Film) | Thursday 14 th December 6.00pm | | | |
| School Closes for Christmas | Friday 15 th December | | | |
| School Reopens | Thursday 4 th January 2018 | | | |

Yours sincerely

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