

Welcome to our latest newsletter.

As the weather has now turned colder please could we ask that all children come to school with suitable coats, hats, gloves and substantial shoes/wellies for playtimes. For PE days the children can wear plain navy jogging bottoms, their school sweatshirt and/or the school fleece.

We continue to keep the school well ventilated, so the children can still wear their school fleece in class. These are available from Mary Frances Uniform Supplies, Derby Road, Longridge.

## <u>Covid-19</u>

Following on from the initial four cases of Covid-19 at the beginning of last week we have had no further cases in school. Many thanks to the close contacts who went for a PCR test to help stop the virus from spreading. Please continue to follow guidance – if your child shows any of the symptoms of Covid-19 they should get a PCR test and isolate until the result is received. If you child is a close contact of someone who has tested positive for Covid-19 they should get a PCR test, but there is no need to isolate, unless a positive test result is received. Please note those that have tested positive have only been showing cold like symptoms, therefore if you are in any doubt please test your child for Covid-19.

## Nasal Flu Vaccination

Intrahealth will be visiting school tomorrow to administer the Nasal Flu Vaccination. Anyone who has not given online consent has been sent a copy of the form, via ClassDojo, to complete if they would like their child to receive the vaccine.

## Vision Screening Programme

Vision screening for children in Reception and Year 1 will be taking place on Wednesday 24 November – details and consent letter were posted on the Calder and Hodder ClassDojo class story on 15 November. Vision screening is an **'opt-out'** assessment and therefore parents only need to return a slip if they **do not** want the eye test for their child.

## Pantomime



We will be visiting The Grand, Clitheroe, on Monday 6 December to watch 'The Snow Queen of Frozen Clitheroe Castle'. Tickets cost £10 per pupil, which will cover the coach, the performance, a drink and a snack. We will return to school in time for lunch. Consent to attend the trip and payment can be made via ParentPay.

#### **Bikeability**



Year 6 will be completing the Bikeability course on 29 and 30 November. In addition to this anyone in Wyre Class can bring in their bikes on Friday 26 November for a thorough safety check and Go Velo will carry out minor repairs to ensure bikes are road worthy. Minor repairs include the following: fix punctures, adjusts brakes, index gears and deal with minor problems such as

replacing cables or brake blocks.

Year 6 children taking part in the Bikeability course will require a helmet. If your child doesn't have one please let Miss Bailey know, as Go Velo will be able to provide one.

## **Decoration Day**



On Friday 3 December we will be holding our decoration day. On this day the children (and staff) are asked to dress up with a Christmas theme. This will be a fun day of making decorations and bringing Christmas sparkle to the school. We also ask all the children for a donation of chocolate for a raffle that will be

taking place at the next PTFA event on Monday 13 December. This is a similar event to the one that was held last year, that was promoted as an opportunity for parents to do some Christmas shopping or have a couple of extra hours of child free time at this busy time of year. More details to follow.

#### Christmas Jumper Day – Friday 10 December



Children are invited to come to school in their usual uniform but wearing a Christmas jumper, in exchange for a £2 donation towards the development of the EYFS outdoor area. This is available as a payment option on ParentPay.

## Christmas Lunch / Party Day – Thursday 16 December

The kitchen are providing us with a Christmas lunch on Thursday 16 December. Parties will be held during this day. The children are welcome to come to school in non-uniform / party clothes on this day.

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Thank you to all our supporters – we now have 42 in total.

If you have not already set up as a supporter, and shop online, it is easy to do, just visit https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/ribchesterswcptfa/

Total of free donations raised to date: £1289.80 - £9.70 in the last 30 days.

# **Diary of Dates:**

23 November	Nasal Flu Vaccinations
24 November	Vision Screening – Reception & Year 1
26 November	Dr Bike – Big Bike Revival Offer – Wyre Class
29-30 November	Bikeability – Year 6
3 December	Decoration Day
6 December	Pantomime at The Grand, Clitheroe
7 December	KS1 Nativity Dress Rehearsal
8 December	KS1 Nativity Performance – 2.30pm
9 December	KS1 Nativity Performance – 6.30pm
10 December	Christmas Jumper Day
10 December	Dodgeball Tournament
Sunday 12 December	Christingle – St Wilfrid's Church
13 December	PTFA Event – 3.30 to 5.30pm
16 December	Christmas Lunch and Parties
17 December	Last day of term
4 January	Inset Day
5 January	School Reopens
11 February	Last day of half term
21 February	Inset Day
22 February	School Reopens