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Christmas Fayre

I would like to say a huge thank you to everyone that came to support the Christmas Fayre on Friday last week. It was a fantastic evening with a great festive feel, and in addition £4800 was raised towards the financial target for this year. Thank you to FOLKS and the Y5 team who worked so hard arranging the event, and to everyone who helped on the day and during tidy up. It was a real community event and we couldn't have done it without you all!

We hope that you are enjoying the tea towels produced this year. I would like to extend a huge thank you to Mr Sherborn (father to Ben Y1 and Oscar Y4) who modified our branding that he has designed to create the artwork for the top of the towel. We have a small quantity remaining, which are now available on ParentMail for final sale.

Christmas Parties

Just to remind you that all the children will be having their Christmas parties on Tuesday 18th December so there will be no hot dinners on that day. Separate information will be sent regarding these events from each class teacher regarding food and activities.

Please be reminded that we will be supporting Save the Children on that day by holding our Christmas Jumper Day where children can come to school in their most festive jumpers for a donation to the charity (suggested £1 per child, but please feel free to make a further donation to this fantastic charity). KS2 need to wear their festive jumpers over their school uniform for the morning but party clothes are optional for the afternoon with sensible shoes. KS1 can come in mufti with a Christmas jumper.

Christmas Panto – a reminder

We are delighted with how successful the productions have been so far, thank you to all of the children, parents and staff who have worked so hard to make them so enjoyable once again. Details of final performances are below:

Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 *Cinderella*

Monday 10 December 9.30 - Dress rehearsal

Tuesday 11 December 6.30pm

Wednesday 12 December 6.30pm

Children in Year 6 must arrive at 6.00 pm while those in Years 3, 4 and 5 should arrive by 6.10pm, after which parents will be admitted .

Tickets must have been applied for to gain entrance – a list will be held on the door.

There is limited space in the hall and, therefore, **we respectfully request that no young children below school age and babies attend any of the performances, as well as pupils from Little Kingshill School.** Parents will be turned away if they arrive with younger children as they take up

valuable seats, and most will have seen the performance in school before. Please avoid the embarrassment of this and also unnecessary confrontations with the staff.

Dolce Christmas lunch

The menu for the festive lunch next Friday 14th is now on the Dolce website. Dolce have requested that as many people as possible pre-order the lunch so that they can plan appropriately. The method for ordering is the same as usual. Simply visit the website and select your options as you normally would. If you could do this by Monday they would be very grateful.

Packed lunches

Please can we request that children do not bring in chocolate spread in their lunches. As a nut free school, we need to be certain that everyone follows this guidance and we have had instances where we believe Nutella has been used which may cause issues. The same advice goes for items such as pancakes which include chocolate spreads.

Christmas DVD

There are two DVDs available of the Christmas productions: one for EYFS/KS1 and one for KS2. They are priced at £6.00 each and will include a photo and our school name on the disk. They are available to order on ParentMail now, please visit 'payments' and 'shop'. The deadline for ordering is **Monday 7th January** and the DVDs will be delivered mid-January.

Longwick School Consultation

Longwick C of E School are consulting on the Admissions Arrangements from September 2020. A copy of the admission arrangements can be found on the school website:

<http://www.longwick.bucks.sch.uk/admissions/>

Martial Arts Club

The Martial Arts Club on Thursday mornings before school has been opened up to Reception children in the Spring Term. Please see the school website for details.

Late Children

Over the past few weeks, there has been a noticeable increase in children's punctuality. This has a huge impact on how quickly we can settle each class and their subsequent learning.

Whilst we as a school acknowledge there is traffic to contend with, we do expect this to be anticipated, and that children are to be on the bottom playground by 8.45am. The gate will close at 8.50am and, after this time, you will have to bring your child to the office and sign them in via our new electronic VPass system. The system will ensure that your child's attendance is logged in case of an emergency. **All late arrivals** will now be officially registered and will be documented on your child's record and annual report.

Children will not be allowed into the school until they have been signed in. All late Reception children will have to wait on the sofa with their parent until a member of staff can accompany them down to the classroom. Please be aware that this new procedure will impact on your time, depending on how many children need to be signed in. Thank you for your co-operation.

Celebrations



**A Head Teachers Award was given this week to:
Staff and pupil of EYFS and KS1 for their tremendous efforts
and performances in the festive productions.**

**I have also been very impressed with the whole of Reception
after seeing their collective Christmas wishes. These were all
legible and very caring- a huge achievement for the end of the
Autumn term.**

Congratulations!

Next Week ... at a glance

Monday	KS2 dress rehearsal @ 9.30
Tuesday	KS2 pantomime performance @ 6.30
Wednesday	KS2 pantomime performance @ 6.30
Thursday	
Friday	Dolce Christmas lunch
Saturday	

Yours sincerely



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