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NSPCC Visits

Specialists from the NSPCC visited school on Monday 28th November to deliver age appropriate assemblies and workshops to Year 5 and Year 6 pupils. The NSPCC have set up a special web page to help keep children safe on line. nspcc.org.uk/o2 gives advice about online safety for children and parents.



As it is our Christmas dinner on Thursday 15th December there will be a menu change on Tuesday 13th December. The children can have beef pie instead of roast dinner. If your child is not having a Christmas dinner please could you let the office know.

When we return after Christmas we will be on week 2 of the dinner menu.



Christmas Performances

This year the performances will be:

Nursery & Reception – Monday 12th December at 1.30pm

KS1 (Y1 & Y2) – Tuesday 13th December at 2pm and 6pm

KS2 (Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6) – Wednesday 14th December at 2pm and 6pm at Christ the Servant Church

KS1 and Reception will be joining KS2 at the church on Wednesday 14th. Children can be collected from there at 3pm or they can walk back to school and be picked up at the normal time. If you are able to help walk the children up to the church on Wednesday please let the school know.

On Friday 16th December there will be a nativity supplement in the Bristol Post in which the Early Years and KS1 children should appear.



Gift Swap

Any child who brought a gift in to swap for another gift will have a chance to do this today or early next week. The gifts are all wrapped and will be labelled. This has been very successful this year and will be something we would like to continue with next year.

Crumble Rumble

Earlier this year our Year 5 children took part in the Crumble Rumble organised by the Environmental Improvements Team at the council. They winning crumble from this went forward to an interschool competition on 30th of November. Our group consisted of Ruby-Lou, Roxanne, Lucy and Olivia. They went to Ashton Court and made their crumble, planted an apple tree in a little orchard, saw the deer being fed, went on a tree walk and then had the judging of the competition. They came 3rd overall!!



PTA

We would like to set up a new Friends of Woodlands PTA group. If you are interested in joining we will be holding a meeting at school on Friday 6th January at 2.30pm. Here we will look at how the PTA will be set up and begin to think about events for the rest of the year.



Mobile Phones

Please can I remind all parents/carers that for safeguarding reasons mobile phones should not be used within the school at any time. Thank you for your understanding.

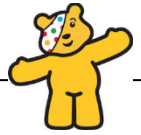
Treefest

Yesterday 4 school councillors went to St Mary Redcliffe church to decorate our Treefest tree. It is open to the public from 9th to 14th December. Our tree is decorated with stars and flags representing the different countries that make up our school community. From talking to the school councillors they would like to find out more about the families that make up our school so will be sending out a letter next term to find out more.



If you go to <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/8NMRS86> you, family and friends can vote for your favourite tree.

Children in Need



Thank you to everyone who supported Children in Need. As a school we raised over £130

Dates for the Diary

Monday 12th December – Nursery & Reception Christmas performance 1.30pm

Tuesday 13th December – KS1 Christmas performance 2pm & 6pm

Wednesday 14th December – KS2 Christmas performance 2pm & 6pm at Christ the Servant Church

Thursday 15th December – Christmas jumper day, Christmas dinner day and Christmas party day

Friday 16th December – INSET day

Tuesday 3rd January – Term 3 starts

Term dates

- **Term 3** Tuesday 3 January to Friday 10 February 2017
- **Term 4** Monday 20 February to Friday 7 April 2017
- **Term 5** Monday 24 April to Friday 26 May 2017 closed on 1 May 2017 for Early May Bank Holiday
- **Term 6** Monday 5 June to Friday 21 July 2017

2016/17 Inset Dates

Friday 10th February 2017
Monday 5th June 2017
Friday 14th July 2017

Operation Christmas Child

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the shoebox appeal. The boxes donated in the Stockwood area have gone to Zambia and Ukraine.



Reminder that the children break up on Thursday 15th December and return to school on Tuesday 3rd January. We would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



Mrs Morris and the Woodlands Team