

*Warriors of learning and challenge***ANDERTON PARK NEWSLETTER****Issue No. 12****0121 464 1581****27th November 2019****www.andertonparkschool.org.uk, Twitter: @AndertonPark****Recent news regarding injunction**

Huge thanks to all our families, friends, visitors, governors for the immense support through the court case. Yesterday school was successful in gaining a permanent injunction so that our children can learn in peace without disruption. There was no criticism of the school at all. The full judgment is available online (<https://www.judiciary.uk/judgments/birmingham-city-council-v-mr-shakeel-afsar-others/>). The judge was wholly supportive of what we do at Anderton Park "It is lawful, indeed necessary to teach equality in the way adopted by the school and religious convictions cannot trump that".

Changes to main school gates

We've recently updated some of our security systems on the main gates into school. These changes have not yet been implemented but we hope to trial the new times & processes from next week. Thank you for working with us during this new period to keep children safe.

Winter Fayre - Non school uniform on 6th December

As you know, this year's Winter Fayre will be held on Thursday 12th December 3.30pm - 4.30pm. To help with donations we will be having a non-school uniform day on Friday 6th December and asking you to bring things in. Keep a look out for this information which will be sent out to parents this week.

Reverse Advent Calendar

Last Christmas we ran our reverse advent calendar which went down amazingly well, raising a huge amount of food for vulnerable families over the Christmas holidays. This year we would love to do the same. Each class, on a certain day will be asked to bring an item in from home to donate to our foodbank. On the last Friday of the term, items will be bagged and set home to some of our vulnerable families. See overleaf for details of which classes are being asked to bring which items.

Want to hire our Sports Hall?

Our Sports Hall is available to hire from 3.30 - 6.00pm, on weekdays. It can only be used for sports or arts purposes. So if you know any aerobics, Zumba or karate teachers, who are looking for a space, please let them know about our Sports Hall. It may be possible to let the hall later in the evening. Please contact school if you are interested. The rates are as follows - £20 per hour, £50 per session (am or pm) or £100 all day. See our website for further details - <https://www.andertonparkschool.org/school/job-vacancies-hall-hire>

Anderton's Got Talent - auditions next week

Exciting news...we are holding a talent competition 'Anderton's Got Talent'! Auditions will be held in the Muhammad Ali Room on Thursday afternoon next week. Children can sing, dance, recite poetry, act, play an instrument or do anything that shows off a particular skill. Children will have a maximum of 3 minutes to perform in front of a panel of judges (no audience). If you would like to enter, please fill out the slip below & return to school before next Thursday. You will then be informed of your audition time. You will need to bring everything you require for your performance - costumes, music etc.

The top 10 performers will then advance to the final which will be held the following week (date & time tbc) where finalists will perform in front of judges and an audience. Get practising your talent, we can't wait to see what you bring!

Christmas Jumper Day - Friday 13th December

On Friday 13th December we will be raising money for Save the Children by taking part in Christmas Jumper Day. Wear your best festive, Christmas, sparkly top & donate 50p or more. Find out more here - <https://www.savethechildren.org.uk/christmas-jumper-day/about>.

Shakespeare's Taming of the Shrew

This morning we have been watching a live broadcast of Shakespeare's play The Taming of the Shrew performed by the Royal Shakespeare Company (RSC). This is a very interesting interpretation of the play which looks at stereotypical roles. Ask your children what they thought!

Celebration assemblies

Weekly celebration assemblies for Years 1 - 6 take place at 1.45pm on Wednesdays. Y1, 2 & 3 in the Small Hall and Y4, 5 & 6 in the Large Hall. Parents are invited to attend. Nursery and Reception will have their assembly this Friday at 11.00am.

Sparkhill Foodbank

The collection dates for Sparkhill Foodbank are 22nd November & 13th December. All donations are welcome but they are in particular need of UHT milk, juice cartons, tinned fruit and vegetables, cans of rice pudding or custard, tea bags, coffee, soap and toothpaste. Please bring in to school or donate directly to them. Please visit their website for more information - <https://sparkhill.foodbank.org.uk/>.

Anderton's Got Talent**Auditions - Thursday 5th December, 1.30-3.30pm**

I would like to audition for Anderton's Got Talent next week. My name is _____.

I am in class _____.