

NEWSLETTER 09/12/2016
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Dear Parents,

Events for week commencing Monday, 12th December 2016

Monday	Lunch time	12.30pm	Recorder Club
Tuesday	Afternoon	2pm	Year 3 and 4 performance - Dunchurch Tonight
	After School	3.30pm-4.15pm 3.30pm-4.30pm	Orchestra Mad Science Club- 2nd Group
Wednesday	Evening	7pm	Year 3 and 4 performance - Dunchurch Tonight
	Lunchtime	12.30pm	Manchester Carols Choir rehearsal- Music room
	Afternoon	2pm	Year 5 and 6 performance – Five Gold Rings
	After School	3.30-5pm	Film Club
Thursday	Evening	7pm	Year 5 and 6 performance – Five Gold Rings
	Morning	9.30am	Year 3 & 4 –Carol Service at St Peter's Church, Dunchurch
		10am	Year 5 & 6 –Carol Service at St Peter's Church, Dunchurch
	Lunchtime	12pm	Whole School Christmas Dinner
	After School	3.30-4.30pm	Theatre Club
3.30-4.30pm		Photography/Video Club (Year 5&6)	
Friday	Morning	8.55-9.15am	Celebration Assembly
	Afternoon	2pm	2pm Finish

LETTERS GIVEN OUT THIS WEEK BBC Midlands filming letter (Year 3 & 4)

ASSEMBLY THEME Next week in assembly, children will be thinking about Christmas and will be reflecting on what the world would be like if everyone loved and cared about each other.

EARLY FINISH FRIDAY 16TH DECEMBER School will close at **2pm** on Friday, 16th December 2016. School coaches will run at 2pm. Woosh will be open from 2 – 6pm that day. If your child usually attends on a Friday and will not be attending on the 16th, or if their collection time will be different, please inform the school office.

SWIMMING LESSONS There will be no swimming lessons next week for the children in year 3. This is due to the Christmas plays and rehearsals. Parents were not charged for this.

IMPORTANT NOTICE – AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS The only after school clubs which are running next week are Mad Science Club and Orchestra on Tuesday, Film Club on Wednesday, Theatre Club and Photography/Video Club on Thursday. All other clubs have finished and unless you have pre-booked your child into Woosh would parents please arrange for their child to be collected at 3.30pm. To help prevent last minute telephone calls to busy parents please would you ensure that your child is aware of their home time arrangements in light of their club not running.

CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCE- FILMING This year the 2pm performances of the Christmas productions will be filmed, and copies of the recording made available for parents to buy (profits will go to the PTA). If you **do not** wish your child to take part in the performance being filmed, please contact the school office by **Monday 12th December** at the latest.

CHRISTMAS SERVICE/ST PETER'S CHURCH – Thursday 15th December The whole school will be attending a Christmas Carol Service at St Peter's Church, Dunchurch during the morning of Thursday, 15th December 2016. The children will go in two groups with the lower school (years 3 & 4) leaving school at 9.10am and the upper school (years 5 & 6) leaving at 9.45am. If any parents/grandparents can help supervise the children during their walk please speak to your child's teacher.

CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES Our children have been working hard in readiness for their Christmas shows and are looking forward to entertaining you all. The afternoon shows begin at 2pm and the evening performance at 7pm. On the evening of their performance the children need to be in school by 6.45pm. There are a small number of spare tickets available for the afternoon performance of the year 3 & 4 show and also some for the afternoon performance of the year 5 & 6 show. If you would like any please contact the school office. They will be allocated on a 'first come, first served' basis. During the afternoon shows parents may use the top playground as a car park, although we would ask drivers to be aware of pedestrians particularly when leaving the playground following the performance. At the performances the PTA will be selling raffle tickets for the class hampers which will then be raffled off at the end of the evening shows.

PHOTOGRAPHS – CHRISTMAS PLAYS Parents are permitted to film or photograph during the Christmas performances however, images/videos must not be shared online.

WOOSH / CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES If you will be taking your child straight home, following their Christmas afternoon performance, and your child normally attends Woosh that day, please would you let the office staff know. This will save us time following up children missing from the register.

TOY DAY Children are welcome to bring in a toy to play with on Friday, 16th December 2016, our last day of term.

MANCHESTER CAROLS REHEARSAL – Sunday 11th December at St Andrews Church, Rugby. 7.30pm-8.30pm. Will all children who are able to attend this rehearsal please meet at the church at 7.20pm where Mrs Blezard will meet you.

AFTER SCHOOL ARRANGEMENTS In view of clubs finishing and the early finish on Friday 16th December, we would like to remind parents to please inform the school office if there are any changes to your child's regular Woosh booking or bus arrangements.

PARKING NEAR SCHOOL We have been informed about some dangerous driving around school. Cars are driving/reversing along the pavement near school which causes a danger to pedestrians. Cars are also causing obstruction meaning it would be difficult for a fire engine or ambulance to get through. Can drivers please be aware of safe parking and manoeuvring your car when pedestrians are around.

DUNCHURCH LIGHTING OF THE CHRISTMAS TREE NATIVITY AND CHOIR Mrs Blezard would like to say a huge thank you to all the children who took part in last Sunday's Lighting of the Christmas Tree. The children performed brilliantly. Thank you to the parents for bringing their children and for being such an enthusiastic audience.

RECORDER GROUP Next Tuesday, children who play recorder will be performing in assembly. Parents are invited to watch, assembly begins at 8.55am.

PERIPATETIC MUSIC LESSONS Recorder, brass, woodwind, strings and guitar on Monday instrument lessons have finished for this term. Keyboard, drums and guitar on Friday will continue as normal next week. Please remember to take your instruments home.

CHRISTMAS FAIR Thank you to our PTA members and their fantastic band of helpers who have made the Christmas Fair today possible. Thank you for all the generous donations you have sent in and for coming to the fair on the day to spend your money! The children have thoroughly enjoyed their visits to Santa, having their faces painted and making gifts this morning. We will let you know how much has been raised once we have finished counting the money. Thank you again for your support.

CLASS LISTS We are happy to supply class lists to help with Christmas card writing and birthday invitations in return for a donation of 20p.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR Our book fair has been collected and we have counted the money. Thanks to your support Mrs Read was able to choose almost £70 worth of books for your children to enjoy.

CHRISTMAS DINNER – Thursday, 15th December 2016 If you have not already completed a slip indicating your child's preference for a Christmas meal would you please contact the school office with your child's preference as soon as possible. The price is £2.35 and the options are a turkey dinner, a vegetarian alternative or bring sandwiches from home. Payment should be made on ParentPay, please note there is no separate heading for the Christmas dinner it is included under the normal school meal heading. Alternatively, you may send in £2.35 cash or a cheque made payable to WCC Dunchurch Junior School.

YORK RESIDENTIAL VISIT The next instalment of £15 for children who are participating in the York residential visit is due on Friday, 16th December 2016. Payment should be made via ParentPay.

TEACHING ASSISTANT APPRENTICE We are in the process of recruiting a Teaching Assistant Apprentice to join us. For further details please visit <https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/-44822>

FAMILY WORKSHOP In association with Brethertons Solicitors, we are offering children whose parents have separated the opportunity to attend a series of six workshops which seek to help them deal with the effects of family breakdown. The weekly workshops will be run in school by a school representative and Bretherton's in-house therapist, Liz Headley, who has nearly 20 years experience of working with adults and children in a variety of settings. The six sessions have been designed to offer the children the opportunity to discuss their feelings about Mum and Dad splitting and the difference it has made to their lives. They will be encouraged to think about different types of families and how they operate and how families can change over time. They will also be invited to consider their own support network both inside and outside their family and who they might go to if they were worried about something. All this will be offered in a creative, playful way so the children can feel relaxed when talking about emotional issues. If you feel that these workshops might be of benefit to your son or daughter then please complete the slip below. There are leaflets in the school reception if you would like more information.

SCHOOL DIRECT TEACHER TRAINING- Are you interested in training to become a teacher? Our school is part of a growing number of schools leading the way for more school-led teacher training. We have vacancies now to start training from September 2017 and we would be very interested to hear from you if you are thinking of becoming a teacher, or know someone who is. We're looking for people who have (or will have) a 2:1 degree, have a passion for teaching and want to inspire young people to fulfil their potential. We'd love you to come in and have a chat with us about the exciting teacher training opportunities available. Our recruiters Mrs Aspinwall and Mr Wardle can be contacted by email admin3391@welearn365.com or by telephone 01788 811028 to arrange a date and time. For further information on what becoming a teacher might involve more generally, you can also visit www.education.gov.uk/get-into-teaching or visit our school website.

CHRISTMAS TURKEYS Hannah Jeyes is taking orders for Christmas turkeys, prepared and ready to go into the oven – price to be confirmed. Contact Hannah on 07771 313332 or 02476 542501

RIMO GARDEN CENTRE Our beautiful Christmas tree has been very kindly donated to us by Rimo Garden Centre. They are a small individual garden centre situated on A45 close to Thurlaston, they have a large selection of premium grade Christmas trees for sale, plus lots of other gardening items for you to browse through.

DM FOOTBALL COACHING Christmas Soccer Camp- there will be a football packed programme every day for boys and girls aged between 5-11. All coaches are F.A. qualified, DBS checked and are first aid qualified. Venue: Onley Grounds Farm, Willoughby, Rugby CV23 8AJ. Dates: Mon 19th/Tues 20th/Weds 21st December. Each day there will be a choice of drop off and pick up times. 9am-4pm at a cost of £15, 10am-3pm at a cost of £12. 50% sibling discount. For further information, please email danmumfordcoaching@gmail.com or telephone 07835023939.

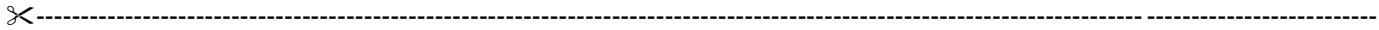
ST PETER'S CHURCH CHRISTMAS PARTY St Peter's and St Edmund's Churches invite you to their Christmas Party on Wednesday 21st December, 2pm-4pm. An activity event for children with their families or carers at St Peter's Church, Dunchurch. £1 per person. There will be crafts, a visit from Father Christmas and Party Tea. Booking is essential and places are limited, to book please email: am_barnard@hotmail.com including names, ages of children and any dietary requirements.

ST ANDREWS FESTIVAL OF CHRISTMAS TREES Invite your friends and families to come and view the trees and vote for their favourite one. They ask for a donation of £1 for a programme that comes with 2 voting slips. There will be 3 winning trees and the winners of following categories will be announced during the Christingle Service on Christmas Eve at 4pm. Best Adult Entry- chosen by the Mayor, Best Children's Entry- chosen by the Mayor, Best Tree- chosen by the Public. All money raised will be supporting RoSA Support, Families First and the work of St Andrews Church. Visit <https://www.facebook.com/StAndrewsFestivalofTrees/> for up to date information.

STAR OF THE WEEK AWARDS go to Dominic Tothill, Bruno Chabi, Caitlyn Fox, Matilda Hughes, Ruby Carter, Ben Jenner and Arjun Hayer.

Yours sincerely

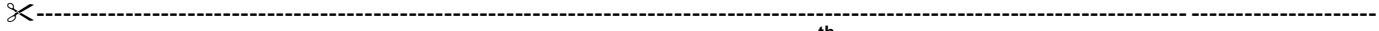
Mr A Wardle
Head Teacher



LIVING IN A SEPARATED FAMILY WORKSHOP

I give permission for my child in class..... to attend the Living in a Separated Family workshops.

Signed..... Print Name..... Dated.....



CHRISTMAS DINNER - Thursday, 15th December 2016

My child.....in class.....would like to make the following arrangements for their Christmas dinner.

My child would like the Turkey dinner I have: paid on ParentPay/ enclosed £2.35 cheque/cash

My child would like the vegetarian option I have: paid on ParentPay/ enclosed £2.35 cheque/cash

My child will be bringing sandwiches

Signed..... Parent / carer Date.....