

# 01 December 2017 WEEKLY UPDATE



## **This week: Christmas lights & Christmas Fair.**

Thank you so much to everyone who's planning to join us for the lights switch on in this seasonally chilly weather! Our five Christmas trees will be 're-planted' in their classroom homes ready for Monday.

- Children have been *designing decorations* for their class tree, as well as for the Town Hall and Coop store. The town lights go on this Saturday—the shops already look lovely on these dark nights.
- *Congratulations* to those children involved in the Glee Club panto, *Mother Goose* this week. It involves masses of dedication & hard work—well done!
- We said thank you and goodbye to *Sally Gratton*, who left our MDS staff this week for a new job. We welcome *Laura Flitter* to the team at CE school in Sally's place and look forward to working with her.
- *Sat 2 Dec*: Peace Ceremony, carols and tree lights switch on—Memorial Gardens and Market Place, from 5pm. See GoWirksworth website for details.

## **Next week (ending 8 Dec)**

**Mon 4: Peter Pan Panto Trip** Make sure you're in school extra promptly today as we will board the coaches immediately after registration. Please wear school uniform. We're very excited to have this opportunity to take the whole school to a live theatre performance—fairy tales have been our focus this term, and this is truly a magical story.

We'll be back to have a late lunch, and will continue the Christmas mood by holding our class parties during the afternoon. Please collect at 3.15pm as usual.

- *After school*: Football Club

**Tues 5: Toy Library: Stay & Play 9.30-11.30am.** Christmas party morning—£4 admission, includes a gift from Santa. This will be the last Stay & Play until 9 Jan—do bring little ones along and join the fun.

- *After school*: Christmas Art Club—R & Y1

**Weds 6: After school: Christmas Art Club—Y2**

**Thurs 7: After school—Drama Club & French Club**

**Fri 8: WCWA assembly** with NEW PCSO Pat.

Please help your child complete the **Community** page of their Award booklet and return it to school.

## **Further ahead (more details will follow...):**

**w/c 11-15 Dec: Class Christmas performances.**

Please check your child's bag carefully today as you have been sent 2 tickets for each of their class performances. Space is limited, so if you can't use your allocation, please swap or return to school.

**Thurs 14: PTFA Christmas Disco** after school

**Tues 19: Christmas Jumper / Dress Down Day.**

School closes at 3.15pm. Everyone is invited to a short **family carol service** in St Mary's Church, led by David Truby, from 3.30-4pm. Please do come along and sing your way into the Christmas mood!

## **Christmas is coming...**

Our Christmas posting boxes will be open from Mon 4 Dec. If your child would like to send greeting cards to their friends, please pop them in the box in the school entrance hall. Please make sure the name is clearly written on the envelope, along with their class and WI or CE school. Year 2s will be taking it in turns to sort and deliver cards during the week.

## **Christmas Performances 11-15 Dec**

Each class is rehearsing hard for their Christmas show. All performances will take place in Wirksworth Infant School hall at **10am** and again at **2pm**.

*Please note:* Each performance is ticketed, as space is limited. Today, your child has come home with two tickets for each of their performances. If you can't use all your tickets, please return them to school, or swap with someone else. Thank you.

Mon 11 Dec: **Sycamore** class (Mrs B)

Tues 12 Dec: **Ash** and **Oak** classes together

Weds 13 Dec: **Hawthorn** Class (Mrs Marriott)

Fri 15 Dec: **Beech** Class (Mrs Birch & Mrs Essex)

Please see your teacher if you have any questions.

There will be a small raffle at each event—please bring a little change along with you!



**Wirksworth Town Litter Pick:** Come and help rid our local streets and parks of dropped and blown litter. Meet at rear of Town Hall, on Church Walk footpath at 2pm to collect bags and pickers, and spend a couple of hours 'Wombling'. Bring family, friends, children..., how many bags full will you collect? See the *Keep Wirksworth Clean* Facebook group for all the details.

**'Consultation on the future of primary education in Wirksworth':** <http://gowirksworth.com/notices/primary-education-provision-wirksworth> DCC has agreed to extend the consultation response deadline to 20 January, which gives a little more time to think hard about these proposals. Please read the consultation paper, view the Tarmac development proposals and imagine what it could mean for Wirksworth as a town and community in the next 50+ years.

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