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NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents/Carers,

Many thanks to everyone for supporting the first non-uniform day today with donations of small pocket money toys, Christmas wrapping paper/cards/decorations for our HSA Christmas Fair. Also, thank you for attending our Road Safety assembly this morning - the children gave us lots to think about.

Over the next few weeks we will be having non-uniform days in order to try and raise donations for our HSA Christmas Fair on Thursday 13th December (3.15pm-5.15pm). Any donations would be greatly appreciated.

The donations our HSA would be requesting are as follows:-

Friday 30 th November	-	Donations for the Chocolate Tombola stall
Friday 7 th December	-	Donations for the Bottle Tombola stall
Thursday 13 th December	-	Donations of Mince Pies, Cakes and Biscuits

- Please note all of the above dates are non-uniform days

Pupil Chaplains

I have now received the certificates for our pupil chaplains and they will be presented to them during the assembly on Friday 30th November at 9.05am. Congratulations to Isabella B, Emily J, Patrick C, Miley D, Grace P and Ava O'C.

Mossley and Carrbrook School Partnership

Congratulations to James, Alex, Maddie and Cerys who took part in the partnership general knowledge quiz at Mossley Hollins. They came third in the competition and were a credit to St Joseph's.

Charity Donations

We have all helped in recently raising monies for the following charities:-

The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal - £ 131.82 and Children in Need - £ 157.80

Appointments

School has recently seen a significant increase in medical appointments (dental/doctors/opticians) made within school time and children are being collected and returned throughout the school day. To try to avoid any disruption could parents please try, wherever possible, to make appointments out of school hours. Thank you.

Parking

Signs and banners will be being displayed around the school grounds very shortly to try and ask parents to please consider how they bring and collect their children on a daily basis. One of the main

considerations is still parking (as many parents are still continuing to drop off and collect on the school zig-zag areas). Other signs will also be on display.

Diary Dates

As we are entering a very busy time of the year please take note of the diary dates below so that you will not miss any important events. **More details about each event will be sent in a separate letter nearer to each date.**

Tuesday 11 th December	Christmas Dinner (open to Rec to Year 6 Children)
Wednesday 12 th December	Urban Street Dance Competition (Year 5&6) Copley Recreation Centre 1pm-4pm
Thursday 13 th December	EYFS and KS1 dress rehearsal (for school only)
Thursday 13 th December	HSA School Christmas Fair 3.15pm-5.15pm
Friday 14 th December	EYFS Nativity - 9.30am Year 1 and Year 2 Nativity - 10.30am
Monday 17 th December	Mass in Church 10am (<u>Please Note - Date Change</u>)
Tuesday 18 th December	Wear a Christmas Jumper Day for a £1 donation for Save the Children
Tuesday 18 th December	KS2 Carol Concert in St Joseph's Church - 6.30pm
Tuesday 18 th December	Nursery Xmas Activities with Parents - 11-12 Noon *Parents to enter through the Nursery Door Entrance
Tuesday 18 th December	Reception to Year 6 Xmas Activities with Parents - 2.15pm - 3.15pm *Parents to enter through the Main Pupil (red door) Entrance
Wednesday 19 th December	Assembly (Certificates for 97% + Attendance) Reception and KS1 - 9am and KS2 - 9.30am
Wednesday 19 th December	Dick Whittington Pantomime for Whole School (Afternoon)
Thursday 20 th December	All Class Christmas Parties - Children to come to school in party clothes and bring a small food donation
Thursday 20 th December	School Closes (<u>at 2pm</u>)
Monday 7 th January	School Re-Opens

Please note that the Xmas Activity Sessions with the parents on Tuesday 18th December are not drop in sessions. If you would like to attend please ensure you have arrived at the relevant entrances within good time (at least 5-10 minutes prior to event start times).

COMMUNITY NEWS

Mossley Christmas Lights

A reminder that the Christmas lights festival is on Saturday 24th November starting at 4.30pm. Please see www.marvellousmossley.org for further details. The Year 3 children are invited to join the procession with the lanterns they made with the 12 days team.

Mossley Community Fire Station

On Saturday, December 8th the community fire station is holding an open day from 10am until 4pm. The attractions include fire engines, refreshments, Father Christmas and much more.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Regards

Mrs Irene Williams

Head Teacher