

## KERESFORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS LETTER December 2017

Dear Parents / Carers,

We have now entered into an extremely busy half term. We have lots of things going on in school so please try to keep an eye out for information sent home or on the school website.

On behalf of the school council I would like to say a BIG THANK YOU to everyone who participated in the school sponsored spell. So far they have managed to raise a staggering **£1783.65**. Well done to everyone who learnt their spellings and collected their sponsorship money. It's still not too late to bring in your money if you haven't yet done so. It won't be too long before the school council can arrange for the new equipment to be in place. Let's hope that they reach their target before the summer so everyone gets to enjoy the new equipment when the drier weather arrives.

This years Christmas Fayre will be held on Friday 1st December at 6pm in school. We will once again be asking for your donations to help us make this an ever successful event in school. We use the money raised from these events to help fund transport for trips , and to purchase the new lunchtime games and equipment the children use. Letters have already been sent home to let you know the theme for your child's class and collection boxes have been placed outside classrooms for these donations. Please bring any other donations to the school office where staff will sort and distribute.

We will also be having a cake stall on the night and any donations for this will be greatly received on the morning of the fayre.

The PTA are also once again running a "Christmas present wrap room" for the whole school. Children will be able to bring £2 to school on **either** Tuesday 19th or Wednesday 20th December and select a present to wrap for an adult. I will collect the money on the day of the wrap room and I will then get the children to wrap their gifts later in the morning.

Christmas concerts will take place either in school or in the Chapel next door between Wednesday 15th and Friday 17th December. Please see the reverse of this letter for the exact date of your child's concert. Tickets will be issued for all concerts and will be limited to **2 per family** at a cost of £1 per ticket, which does include a raffle ticket. Please look out for your child's concert letter which will be coming home soon which will have the ticket order form on.

Christmas parties will take place week commencing 18th December. Children will need to come to school in their uniform on the day of the party and bring party clothes to get changed into after lunch. All parties are in the afternoons during the week. We ask for a party £1 donation to help cover the cost of food and drink for this event. Please see the reverse of the letter for the exact date of your child's party.

Tuesday 19th December is Christmas jumper and Christmas hat day. We ask the children to come to school in their Christmas jumpers and /or hats and bring a donation of Chocolate that we donate to the Barnsley Food Bank. This ensures that families who find things difficult over the Christmas period or have children get something small in their Christmas package. It will also be Christmas dinner day in school that day this will be the only option for a dinner that day, unless your child brings a packed lunch from home.

Thank you once again for all your continued support.

H. Otley

## Diary Dates



27th November	Stone Age to Iron Age day for Year 3 and 4
1st December	Christmas Fayre 6pm
7th December	Bags to school
10th December	Choir Singing at Village Carol Concert Dodworth Methodist Church—arrive for 5.45pm for a 6pm start
13th December	Key Stage 2 Production in the hall 1.45pm start
14th December	Key Stage 2 Production in the hall 1.45pm start
15th December	Foundation Stage production in the Chapel 9.30am start
15th December	Key Stage 1 production in the hall 1.45pm start
18th December	Panto visit to the Lamproom for Year 1-6
19th December	Christmas jumper day with Chocolate donations for the Barnsley Foodbank
19th December	Christmas dinner day in school.
19th December	PTA 'Wrap a present ' room. £2 per gift payable on the day to Mrs Otley.
20th December	PTA 'Wrap a present ' room. £2 per gift payable on the day to Mrs Otley.
20th December	Nursery Christmas Party in the morning.
20th December	Class T-Rex Christmas party pm in the nursery building
20th December	Key Stage 1 Christmas Party in the afternoon
20th December	Choir singing at Rose Hill Nursing Home -1pm
21st December	Year 3 and 4 Christmas party in the afternoon
22nd December	Year 5 and 6 Christmas party in the afternoon
22nd December	School breaks up
Monday 8th January	Return to school
15th January	Eye test for Class T-Rex
22nd January	3.30pm Kingswood parents meeting

### Bags2School

Don't forget to fill your Bag2School bag and return to school on 7th December, the funds raised from this go into the school fund to subsidise visits.