



Beer C of E Primary School

Friday Flier - 11



Friday 24th November 2017

Executive Headteacher: Miss Rebecca Porter

Chair of Governors: Mrs Jean Smith

COMING UP	
Tuesday 28 th November	EXTRA Christmas Performance tickets go on sale from 8.00am
Friday 1 st December	PTFA 'wear your Christmas Jumper' day - in exchange for children donating a chocolate/hamper gift etc. for raffle prizes (further info from PTFA to follow)
Friday 1 st December	Deadline for all Christmas costumes to be handed into class teacher at school
Saturday 2 nd December	PTFA Christmas Fete in the Mariners' Hall - 11am - 1pm
Friday 8 th December	Deadline for returning KS1 Spring Term menu choice forms
Friday 8 th December	2.00pm Christmas matinee performance at Mariners' Hall. Beer Late Night Shopping
Monday 11 th December	5.30pm Christmas evening performance at Mariners' Hall
Thursday 14 th December	School Christmas Lunch (Christmas jumpers encouraged)
Friday 15 th December	Class Christmas Parties - classes 1 & 2
Tuesday 19 th December	Class Christmas Parties - classes 3 & 4
Wednesday 20 th December	Carol Service at St Michael's Church, 2.30pm Last day of term

A message from Miss Porter & Mr Evans:

On Wednesday, a team of runners braved the wind to battle round the Stockland cross country course with some having to run in the dark as the nights are drawing in. Well done to all the runners - Miss Squire has also written a report which is included in this week's newsletter. It seems a little surreal that the Christmas performance is only 2 weeks away now. Staff are having their 'prop night' on Tuesday where we all get together to make and paint scenery and props in preparation for the two performances. Please could we ask that all costumes are brought into school in a named bag by Friday 1st December. Thank you!

Given it was recently anti-bullying week and the fact that it is essential that you have regular conversations with your child about the online world, we have attached some information to the email this week about staying safe online and the need to be vigilant when it comes to the online world.

Have a lovely weekend! Best wishes,

Miss Porter & Mr Evans

Thank You Certificates

Congratulations to the following children:

Class 1: **Monty Graves-Morris** for great listening skills and resilience when making a medieval helmet, **Gabriella Silva Shaw** for making good progress in learning her fish words, **Toby Adkin** for excellent work in guided reading when using a contents list and **Finnley Baldwin** for excellent work in phonics and enthusiasm for reading.

Class 2: **Marley Arbourne** for an excellent explanation of mental Maths work, **Zachary Dove** for super understanding about medieval weapons and warfare plus an excellent explanation of problem solving Maths, **Eddie Eul-Brown** for excellent understanding about medieval weapons and warfare and **Louis Vine** for his enthusiasm in Literacy when writing medieval invitations.

Class 3: **Maisie Clist** for the thought and research put into her fabulous news report, **Isabelle Langham** for

her excellent swimming and for being brave enough to attempt the top group and **Myia Hiscox** and **Reuben Hartnell** for going above and beyond on their homework projects.

Class 4: Hope Redding for consistently producing high quality work in all areas of the curriculum, **Josh Priestley** for fantastic commitment in learning lines and performing in rehearsals, **Roman Moore** and **Daisy Somers** for getting to 'outstanding' on our zone board and **Anna Wolfreys, Jack Westlake, Selby Overington-Ward, Billy Fowler** and **Roman Moore** for moving up to the next times table club.

Star Writer: Clara Orlando

THE CHILDREN'S WEEK

Class 1: What people wore in medieval times has been a focus this week, with children making their own version of headgear and learning about the garments people wore. The headgear has a specific purpose as our Christmas party will have a medieval flavour and they can be used as part of the children's costumes. The children have been thinking about how to write an invitation which you will receive, inviting you to come and watch us perform a dance as a finale to our party. Details will follow shortly. In Maths, we have been investigating number bonds and thinking about how to work systematically. Reception have practised counting skills and thinking about ordering numbers using different apparatus.

Class 2: Design has been a feature of this week's work in Class 2. In Literacy the children have been talking about invitations to a medieval party. They have developed their own success criteria for writing their own invitation and have then designed their own invitation. In our topic work we have been looking at Medieval costume for men and women, both rich and poor. The children drew costumes using the information that we had looked at and also designed headwear, which they have then made.

Following on from our work last week on anti-bullying, the children have been asked to consider and record what they think it means to be good friend.

In Maths, the year 1 children have continued to work out missing numbers in a number sentence and year 2 have been problem solving using number bonds to 100.

Class 3: This week has seen lots of editing and evaluating the children's innovate stage in Literacy. On Tuesday, they took on the role of teacher and critiqued a peer's work, suggesting areas for improvement. They have begun to investigate their invent (final) stage of the Rough Rainforest Guide, where they have been contracted, in groups, to create a Rough Antarctica Guide for Ben Saunders. I look forward to sharing these 5 new books with you in the near future. We are continuing with multiplication and division in Maths and during the afternoons Christmas play practice is in full flow. I have really enjoyed watching the children present their homework projects this week, I would like to congratulate all children who completed this as they are truly fantastic!

Class 4: It has been all about Christmas this week as preparations for our performance of 'Bethlehem The Musical' gathered pace. The children are busily learning their lines and some of the songs are already, well and truly, lodged in my brain! When we haven't been rehearsing, Class 4 have been finishing their reports on migratory animals and have begun to learn about polar exploration, in particular, the race to the pole by Amundsen and Scott. In Maths, Year 6 have continued to work on fractions and Year 5 have begun interpreting tables.

Stockland

We saw another successful, if not slightly dark and cold, Stockland this week, with all children striving to beat their scores from last time. During the evening, we lost and found two trainers, got covered in mud and found lots of our children in the top 20. Well done to Alfie and Charlie who both beat their scores last time to come 15th and 19th in the year 3/4 boys race. Followed by a special well done to Roman, who truly gave the race everything he had and achieved an astonishing 14th in a very tough category (year 5/6 boys). Congratulations to every single child, especially Sophie and Corey for completing your first Stockland Cross Country race. Thank you again, goes to all the parents for helping us transport the children. Let's hope the next race is lighter and warmer!!



PTFA Christmas Jumper Wearing Day Friday 1st December

The PTFA would like to invite all children to wear their Christmas Jumpers to school on Friday 1st December in exchange for bringing in an item of festive food for the Christmas hampers (which will be raffled at the Christmas Performances) e.g. chocolates, chutneys, olives, savoury biscuits, crackers, shortbread, Pringles, chocolate biscuits, wine etc. (please no mince pies!)



PTFA Christmas Fete - Saturday 2nd December 11am - 1pm

Please remember to remind all your family and friends of this festive family morning. We have lots of stalls this year and things to buy, make and eat. We hope to see you all there - **PLEASE NOTE THIS EVENT TAKES PLACE IN THE MORNING THIS YEAR!**

Christmas Lunch - 14th December 2017

You should have already received a letter with tear off slip or please complete the slip at the end of the newsletter - **return by Friday 1st December** at the latest indicating your choices.



Christmas Performance Tickets

Remaining tickets (again limited to 3 per family (total, not per performance)) will be on sale from Tuesday 28th November between 8 and 8.45am or 3.30 and 4pm.



For each performance, we have a set number of seated tickets, but will be in a position to offer a limited number of standing tickets once the seating ones have sold out.

Please note the performance dates are Friday 8th December at 2.00pm and Monday 11th December at 5.30pm.

Christmas Costumes

Please could all Christmas play costumes be given to your class teacher in a named carrier bag by **Friday 1st December**. Thank you.

Children in Need - Thank you to everyone that helped make this event such a success, we raised a grand total of £247.70, so thank you to the School Council, to everyone that came to school wearing 'spots' and donated money or bought wristbands and last but not least, to all the parents/carers that made such a wonderful array of cakes for us to sell and to those that purchased them also. Well done everyone!



Festive Family Friday /Late Night Shopping - Friday 8th December

The shops will be open late until 8pm, there will be a craft fayre and Father Christmas in the church, a disco in the Mariners' Hall, Christmas lights switch on and carols around the Christmas tree. All welcome.



Reminders / Notices

Money Raised

Book Fair: Well done to everyone that supported our book fair, we raised £193.00 in commission to spend at The Book People, which will get used for new library books.

Kingsdown Tail Caravan Park have kindly donated £330.00 from a recent event. School plans to spend £200 of this on essential repairs to the willow tunnel, due to be carried out at the end of January (parents are welcome to join us on the morning of Friday 26th January for this willow tunnel restoration) and the rest will stay in reserve for general resources for the school.

Thank you also to Mrs Hardinge-Walsh for kind donations of paint, books and other equipment for the school.

Sickness

Please can we politely request that everyone adheres to the 48 hour rule when it comes to sickness. Guidance to all schools is that children should not return until 48 hours after the last bout. Even though children can seem well, they are still at risk of passing the bug onto others within this period. This rule is not only important to stop the spread of bugs in school but also vital to some of our parents who are immunosuppressed.

Thank you for your continued support,
The Beer Staff Team

Community Events & Notices

Christmas Trees for sale as usual at The Mariners' Hall, Beer - Saturday 25th November - From 9.00am

FAMILY DROP IN WORKSHOP - Thelma Hulbert Gallery (THG), Dowell Street, Honiton EX14 1LX - **01404 45006**

A Box For Something Precious - Saturday 25 November, drop in anytime between 11am and 3pm.

Join artist Monica Shanta Brown for a fun art activity! You will be creating your own box and decorating it to make a little world. All ages and abilities welcome. Suggested donation £2 / child.

Colyton Theatre Group's Pantomime - The Wizard of Oz - Wednesday 29th November - Saturday 2nd December

At Colyton Town Hall. £9 adults. £5 Under 18's. Show starts at 7.30pm, bar open at 7pm, except Friday, show starts at 6.30pm, bar open 6pm. Tickets from: The Little Shop, Colyton 01297 551374; Archway Book Shop, Axminster 01297 33595, Owl & Pyramid, Seaton 01297 598030. More information at colytontheatregroup.co.uk & Facebook.

Exeter Cathedral Chorister Taster Day - Saturday 2nd December 2017 - FREE, booking essential

Exeter Cathedral is hosting a free Chorister open day on Saturday 2nd December 2017. This is open to boys and girls between the ages of 7 and 9 who enjoy singing. It is a great chance for young people to be encouraged and coached by professional musicians in an inspirational setting. For more information, please visit www.exetercs.org or email clare.sturdy@exeter-cathedral.org.uk

Christingle Service - St Michael's Church - Sunday 17th December - 4.30pm

Everyone is welcome to attend this service. There will be a 'scratch' nativity' - children encouraged to come dressed as their favourite nativity character.

Helping Seaton Foodbank this Christmas - Reverse Advent Calendar

Join the reverse advent calendar again this year - each day you add an item to the box and on Christmas Eve you donate the contents to a foodbank. We will be there to welcome you and your gifts at No 1, Harepath Road on Wednesday 20th December between 2.00 - 4.00pm with a hot drink, mince pie and a chat. If you have difficulty in bringing your gift, please phone Stephen Page on 01297 24796 to arrange collection. Please remember that the food you give will be distributed after Christmas. Thank you.

Christmas Lunch - Thursday 14th December 2017

My child in class would like to order a Christmas Lunch for Thursday 14th December.

NO THANK YOU I DO NOT WANT A CHRISTMAS LUNCH. I WILL BRING MY OWN PACKED LUNCH

My child is entitled to Free School Meals My child is entitled to Universal Free School Meals (R to Yr2)

I have paid by School Money I enclose £2.60 cheque (payable to The Ark Federation)

My child's School Money account is in credit

Any credit will roll forward. Cheques made payable to The Ark Federation

PLEASE TICK YOUR CHOICE OF MAIN COURSE & PUDDING BELOW

Roast Turkey OR Roast Quorn Slices

Christmas Tree Choc Ice OR Christmas Pudding & Custard OR Fruit Salad

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