



Wellow Weekly
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Dear Parents,



Well the time has come for us to wave farewell to Mrs Sheppard and wish her a restful few weeks before the birth of her baby. I am so pleased she has managed to sustain her teaching commitment for so long and continued to provide a purposeful learning environment for the children. Well done Mrs Sheppard. We wish you well over the next few weeks and hope that Christmas Day brings you a bundle of joy this year!!!! We will of course let you know if the baby arrives early. Come to the Fayre though on Saturday afternoon to "Guess the weight of the baby!!"

A huge thank you goes to those parents who have so generously given to the Nativity Set. I have managed to purchase the basic Nativity and the three wise men. I may have almost enough money to purchase the Shepherds and the stars too. Come into school next week to see the beautiful display.

Thank you to Mrs Emma Rose who, through donations given at her Christmas event last week, raised over £50 for the school.

You may have already heard that Harry Evans won the Police Christmas card competition that the children in Class 3 entered during the start of this term! Well done, Harry!

As a result of Harry winning the competition, his card will be printed professionally and Class 3 children have been invited to visit Police Headquarters in Portishead. They will have the opportunity to have a tour of Police Headquarters, try on their uniform and explore the equipment they use. They will also get to see Harry's card being made, meet the police dogs and horses, watch a police display involving cars and have a tea party. There may even be a special visit from a man with a white beard and red suit (shhh!)

Unfortunately this will be taking place on 10th December; the same day as Class 4 and 2's Christmas play at the Egg. I know some of the children have planned to go and watch their

brothers or sisters, but regrettably the date cannot be changed. This is a wonderful and one off experience that I am sure the children will thoroughly enjoy, nonetheless the choice is yours! Mrs Sheppard is planning to come back to spend this day with the children.

Thank you to those parents who have volunteered to drive to the Christmas Markets and accompany me with the children to sing on Friday 4th December. I hope you are all in good voice!!



We still have a great deal of LOST PROPERTY - unnamed - in the hall. Please check before I send it to charity!



Thank you to Michelle Hazzard for stepping in to support us while we are trying to appoint a replacement for Tracy Ellis. Michelle has been a great help in the office in the last few weeks but will not be able to continue any longer after tomorrow. We wish Michelle well in the future and appreciate all she has done for us. I would ask you to be very patient with us and forgive any delays in the interim. We hope to appoint on Friday 27th November for a January start date.

We have been - unsuccessfully - trying to get our unwanted electrical items collected from the car park for almost 18 months!! Please, please, please can a few volunteers come forward to take some of the items to the tip. We don't want to go into the New Year with them!! Thank you in anticipation.

You will all receive a white envelope today. It contains an explanatory letter. If you are happy for your child to be involved in the project please return the BLUE form to the Psychometrics Centre in the pre-paid envelope. Consenting does not ensure that your child will be selected. If you have any questions please let me know.

School Dinners Menu Change

We have been asked to let you know that, due to popular demand, the Pizza scheduled for Friday in Week 3 has been replaced by Baked Fish.

Jane Gascoigne, Headteacher

REMINDERS

From the PTA - please remember to send in your decorated, filled **jam jars** to the foyer.

Road Safety Week is 23rd - 29th November. Please visit www.roadsafetyweek.org for more information. Do talk to your children about careful crossing of roads and cycling.

Dates for your Diaries:

28 Nov	Christmas Fayre (with St Julian's Church)
4 Dec	Christmas Markets – children to sing
4 Dec	Christmas Concert at The Forum, Bath 19:00
7 Dec	C4 Schools' Carol Service Bath Abbey 14:15
10 Dec	C2/C4 to the egg theatre. Performance 1.30-2.30
10 Dec	C3 Winners Day Out Avon & Somerset Constabulary
17 Dec	Carols by Candlelight St Julian's Church 6-7pm
18 Dec	Nativity Service in Church 1345
18 Dec	Last day of Term 2
4 Jan	Term 3 begins
INSET days	30 Apr 2010, 7 Jun 2010, 22-23 July

Letters sent out this term:

No	Date	To/subject
23	05.11.09	C4 VE Day Party
24	05.11.09	C1 Victoria Art Gallery (with Magic Box)
-	05.11.09	C3 Mrs Sheppard's Maternity Leave Cover
25	12.11.09	Writhlington Climbing Wall
26	12.11.09	Meet the Governors Evening
27	17.11.09	C2/4 Coming Home for Christmas (egg theatre)
(28)	18.11.09	Wagamamas & Victoria Art Gallery C3
30	23.11.09	Abbey Service C4
31	23.11.09	Singing Club
32	26.11.09	C3 Winners Day Out Avon & Somerset Constabulary

Nicholas Cage is turning on the Christmas lights in Bath this year. As a consequence it has been promoted by Radio 1 and 2 as well as Regional Television. This has resulted in a great deal of additional publicity for the event which may cause significant traffic problems.

The event begins at 4.30pm with a 'Switch On' at 6.30pm. The Police have concerns about the size of the crowd and may bring the road closures forward to 2.00pm.

This could restrict access into / across the City until 8pm

This will affect parents collecting children from our Schools in Bath as well as access for children, parents and staff to and from the Schools Advent Service in Bath Abbey prior to the lights being turned on.

Schools have been asked to alert parents to the possibility of early road closures and restricted access across the city.

The next Wellow Networkers' Meeting is scheduled for this Friday 27th November.

Julia Handel has very kindly invited us for a pre-lunch drink & nibble at 12.00 at her new cookery studio so that we can all see the set up; we will then come back to the F&B for lunch.

As always, £5 for lunch. Please and do let us know if you can come so that we can tell both Julia and Eric numbers in advance.

Many thanks
Madeleine

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