

Dear Parents/Carers,

Wednesday 30th November 2016

HUGE CONGRATULATIONS!

Year 6 children have been involved in a project with Merseyside Police force discouraging the use of scrambler bikes. Our Year 6 pupils, along with other pupils from 4 other local Primary Schools took part in a poster competition to make the public aware of the dangers and how to contact the Police. **Thomas Cox, Ellie Grace, Ruby Talent and Ellie Tibble** from our school won. Their posters will be displayed around the neighbourhood to discourage the use of scrambler bikes. They went to a special presentation last Wednesday and found that they had won a trip of a lifetime to "Lapland" to visit Father Christmas and his reindeer. This is fantastic news and a great opportunity provided by L30's millions and Merseyside Police force.

Attendance

Congratulations to Year 6 who last week had 99.2% attendance. They get to have "Cuddles" the bear in class with them for this week. Well done Year 6!

Y6 - 99.2%, Y5 - 98.5%, Y3 - 97.9%, Y1 - 97.5%, Y2 - 97.4%, R - 97%, Y4 - 96.7%

Governor Meeting with Parents

Thank you to those parents who attended the meeting, as a result we are now offering parent courses in the new term, for Maths, Reading, Grammar and Phonics. Dates and times will be on next weeks newsletter.

We have also had requests to change the PE kit to a darker colour from white. This proposed change would take place in September and we will be sending a questionnaire out regarding the new proposed colour - white is very unforgiving and does show every mark! Guidance for packed lunches will be sent out at the beginning of each term and I will be holding half termly meetings with the Welfare staff to ensure everyone is giving the children the same healthy schools message.

School Nurse Drop in Sessions

The next session will be this Friday 2nd December 2016 at 09.00AM in the Family Room. No appointment is needed.

After School Clubs

All after school clubs finish this week, with the exception of choir which will end on Wednesday 7th December and Military School on Friday 9th December.

PFA Christmas Fair

PFA Christmas Fair is on 14th December at 3.00pm. Any donations of bric-a-brac, cakes would be very appreciated. At 3.00pm KS2 children will be brought to the hall by each class teacher, please collect your child from the hall. Foundation Stage and KS1 children will need to be collected from their classrooms and then come to the school hall for the fair.

Military School

Please note that Military school for Year 5 will have a special passing out parade this Friday at 2.30pm - all parents/carers are welcome to attend and should be seated by 2.20pm.

Half Price Book Fair

Our fantastic book fair will be running in school every night next week from 3.15 - 4.15PM in the school hall. This is a fantastic way to help your child read along at home. Please visit us and grab a bargain, remember every item is half price.

Santa Dash

The Santa Dash will take place on Monday 12th December starting at 1.00PM.

Choir

We are having a concert and musical performance for the Choir, Recorder and Drumming clubs on Thursday 8th December at 3.40pm - 4.15pm in the hall.

The children are looking forward to performing some of the songs, tunes and drumming pieces they have learnt this term and wish to invite family and friends to the performance.

Swimming

Next Tuesday, 6th December is the last swimming session for Year 2. Year 4's last swimming session will be Wednesday 14th December. Year 3's last swimming session will be Friday 16th December.

Next Term, Year 2 will continue to swim and the first session will take place on Tuesday 10th January 2017. Year 5 will swim each Wednesday from 11th January 2017. Year 3 will continue to swim each Friday from 13th January 2017.

Dates and events for this year

Please visit the school website for details www.stoswaldsnetherton.com

December 2016

1st December - 10.00am - Local schools Carol service at St. Oswald's church, all welcome

2nd December - Year 5 Passing out parade with Military school

5th December - Experience Christmas (Year 1 & 2 pm only.)

6th December - Experience Christmas (Years 3 -4) Year 2 to Advent Workshop

3.30pm - 4.00pm Nursery Parents Workshop - Physical Development

7th December - Year 1 to Advent Workshop

9th December -Last Military School club

12th December - Dress rehearsal (am) & Mufti Day for PFA fair PM Santa Dash

13th December - 1st Performance (1.30pm.)

14th December - 2nd Performance (9.30am.) PFA Christmas Fayre (3.00pm)

15th December - 09.30am Carol Singing in Marion Square

School closes early at 2.30pm for children attending the evening performance.

Evening performance (6.30pm.)

16th December - Late start 10.00am. Making Day & Christmas dinner. Last Year 3 swimming.

19th December - Nursery Christmas Singalong - 11.00am for Morning children.

Visit to Unity Theatre (leave at 9.15am) Years 2 -6.

Nursery Christmas Singalong - 2.45pm for Afternoon children.

20th December - (am) Coverdale Puppets, party/mentor lunch, (pm) Bitesize Theatre.

21st December - Christingle & Finish at 2pm.

Yours sincerely,



Miss E. Murtagh

Headteacher

I would like to order _____ 2016 Christmas Performance DVD's at £5.00 each.

Enter quantity

Amount enclosed £ _____

Signed _____

Date _____

Parent of _____

Class _____

Please return to school office in an envelope marked DVD order by 21st December 2016. Please note that the DVD's will be delivered to school in January 2017.