



Xmas Performances

Thank you to all family members who were able to attend one of our Xmas performances. The children were fabulous and judging by the messages of support we have received, the shows were enjoyed by everyone. We don't charge for the tickets and are grateful to those who made a donation. We have left the Gateway Xmas donation account open for those who prefer a cashless system. All monies raised will go towards the purchase of new classroom computers. So far we have been able to buy 7 classroom computers. We aim to buy another 5 through fundraising in the New Year which will mean every class has a brand new system.

Friends of Westmoor

The school's fundraising group, 'Friends of Westmoor Primary School', relaunched with new and old friends this term and kick started their efforts with a fantastic programme of Christmas activities. Collectively, so far, we have raised just over a staggering £1000, which has gone towards providing Christmas presents for the children to be given out next week, crackers for the school Christmas Dinner, and plates for the Christmas parties.

Here is a summary of those activities:

Christmas Art Project: Hopefully by now, you'll have received your fabulous Christmas themed cards, cushions, coasters and more designed by your children. A big thanks for all your orders, and to the hardworking Friends who coordinated this annual project.

Christmas Film Night: Thank you to all who attended this event. We sold 95 tickets to Reception, Y1 and Y2 children, who enjoyed a festive viewing of Polar Express. This was a lovely experience and enjoyed by all. The Friends have received lots of positive feedback on this event and will use this to inform plans for next Christmas.

Christmas Disco: The hotly anticipated KS2 Disco (rescheduled!) took place yesterday, and was a brilliant event! Thanks to those who attended and volunteered, to make it such a success.

Upcoming Events:

Reindeer Dust The Friends will be selling environmentally friendly reindeer dust for £1 per packet, on Wednesday 20th December after school in the playground. Please bring cash as the Friends do not have the ability to take card payment.

2024 Plans

5 pence bottle Competition From January the friends will be launching a 5 pence piece competition. Each classroom will be given a 2 litre bottle. The class who have filled the bottle with the most 5p coins by the end of term (or the first class to fill it in total) will win 20% of the total of the money collected. The winning class and their teacher can decide how to spend the money. **Start collecting any 5 pence pieces between now and then!**

Valentine's Disco Due to the success of the KS2 Christmas Disco, we are currently exploring having a Valentines Disco. Details and confirmation to follow in 2024.

Facebook The Friends will be launching a new Facebook group for parents/carers of Westmoor Primary School only. You will need to state who your child is and what year they are in before being able to access the group. This will make communication about activity private. Details of this will be sent out next year.

We are always looking for new members to join our group, so if you are interested in helping us to raise money for the children in school, please contact the office who will forward your details onto us.

Happy Christmas!

Car Park

We have had a few requests from parents and carers to politely ask that car owners switch off their engines whilst waiting in our car park. The fumes are directly affecting those with breathing conditions such as asthma, as well as being damaging to the environment.

Reminders

We recognise that traffic can be unpredictable, but please can those parents and carers who collect from Out of School Club, be there on time as the staff are only contracted until 4.30pm.

Wellies- currently the field is waterlogged. Therefore, we will not be opening up for use by the children until the New Year. Please collect your child's wellies and take home for the Xmas holidays (we may have snow!) and return them in January. Thank you

Dates for the Diary

Mon 18th Reception Xmas party pm

Tues 19th Nursery Xmas party am

Tues 19th Y5 and 6 Carol service St John's church 2.15pm

Wed 20th Y3 and 4 Xmas party pm

Wed 20th Yr5 and 6 Carol service St John's church 5.00pm

Thurs 21st Y5 and 6 Xmas party pm

Fri 22nd Last day- Toy Day (no electronic devices or make up) - Xmas jumpers

Tues 9th Jan- Return to school



On behalf of all of the staff, we wish you and your families a very
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

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