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People with time for Children

5th November 2019

Newsletter 6

Dear Parents,

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warm welcome back to school to all our families, we hope you had an enjoyable half term break. Our Christian value for life this term is 'Perseverance'.

Operation Christmas Child – Shoe Box Appeal

Please can all donations of shoeboxes be in school by the end of the day on Wednesday 6th November so that they can be collected and sent off. Thank you.

Cauliflower Christmas Cards

We hope you liked the Christmas card designs that the children brought home before the half term break. If you wish to place an order, please visit <u>https://xmas.cauliflowergroup.co.uk</u>. Orders must be placed and artwork returned to school by Friday 8th November so that the school order can be sent off. Thank you.

Children in Need – Wednesday 13th November 2019

The school will hold a non-uniform day on Wednesday 13th November in return for a donation of £1.00 to raise funds for Children in Need.

The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

Once again we are supporting the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal and we will selling items from their Schools Pack. Sales will take place during morning registration only.

We ask that you give generously and have the following items available:

Zip Pull	Minimum donation of 50p
Reflector	Minimum donation of 50p
Silicon Wristband	Minimum donation of £1.00
Snap Band	Minimum donation of £1.50

Parents Afternoon / Evening, Data Collection Forms and Privacy Notices

Please see separate letter regarding our parent evening on Wednesday 13th November from 4.00 – 7.00 and parent afternoon on Tuesday 19th November from 1.30 – 4.00.

Data collection forms and privacy notices will be issued to parents attending appointments. We ask that parents check, amend and return the forms on the day. If you are unable to attend an appointment will be ask you to check, amend and return the forms when you are next in school. Thank you for helping us keep your personal data secure.

Pantomime – Thursday 19th December 2019

A reminder that we have booked the Roses Theatre at Tewkesbury to watch the pantomime Aladdin. We ask for a contribution of £11.90 per child to cover the cost of the visit. We thank the Friends Association for subsiding this visit with a donation of £400, which goes a long way to covering the cost of transport.

We will be leaving school, after an early packed lunch, at approximately 12.15 and returning approximately 4.30 p.m. Further details to follow nearer the time.

Thank you if you have already made a payment through parent pay for this visit, if not please can you do this as soon as possible. If you have any difficulty with this please do not hesitate to contact us. Many thanks.

School Communication

The school twitter account is now live and we are tweeting frequently. You can find us at @littledeansch.

Have your accessed your area of the school website and downloaded the App yet? If not please give it a go, if you can't remember your login details please contact the school office. Thank you.

Jewellery in School

We have noticed that a number of children have been wearing jewellery. A reminder that children will be asked to remove items such as earrings, rings, watches etc. for PE/swimming to prevent any injuries (earrings in particular are prone to being torn from earlobes when contact is made). If ear piercings have occurred within the last 6 weeks, children will be asked to apply micropore tape. Thank you for helping us keep your children safe.

Clothing in School

We have a large amount of uniform in our lost property bin which we are unable to return to children because they are not named. If you child has lost an item of clothing please check our lost property bin which is located in the School Library – Thank you.

We ask that all items of uniform, PE kit, bags and coats are **named** so that we can return items to the correct child if they lose them.

We suggest for all classes including pre-school that PE kit (trainers, shorts, t-shirt) are brought into school at the start of each term and kept in school in the cloakrooms.

Pre-School children will need a PE kit each day as their sessions will change weekly. Pre-School staff also request that wellies are brought into school so that they can play in the garden with the mud kitchen. Thank you.

We ask that children also bring a weather appropriate coat into school as we will go outside most days during lunch and break times.

Diary Dates

Monday 4 th November Friday 8 th November Wednesday 13 th November	Inset day – Staff only to attend 8.45 a.m. Nearly new uniform sale – Willow room Non –Uniform Day – donations to Children in Need
Wednesday 13 th November	Parents Evening 4.00 – 7.00
Tuesday 19 th November	Parents Afternoon 1.00 – 4.00 – Please note new date
Thursday 5 th December	NSPCC Speak Out / Stay Safe
Monday 9 th December	Infant Performance Dress Rehearsal
Tuesday 10 th December	Infant Performance Afternoon
Wednesday 11 th December	Infant Performance Evening
Friday 13 th December	Ipad Music Performance for Parents
Wednesday 18 th December	Christmas Lunch
Thursday 19 th December	Rocksteady Performance for Parents
Thursday 19 th December	Whole School and Pre-School Pantomime at Roses Theatre
Friday 20 th December	Christmas Service at St Ethelberts Church
Wednesday 15 th January	Young Voices Concert in Birmingham
Weds 22 nd April – Fri 24 th April	Maple Class Residential Visit