

Sherborne St John C of E Primary School Newsletter

Friday 17th November 2023



Message from Miss Jolliffe

It is so lovely to see the school full of colour today as the children have dressed up for Children in Need. Thank you for your donations and for the cakes, it has helped to raise lots of money for the charity and we know that it will help to make a difference to lots of children. As a school, we are proud to support lots of charities through the year. We recently supported the poppy appeal and are awaiting an update on how much that raised. I will share the totals when I have confirmation.

Please be aware that next Friday is also a dress down day for the children. This time, we are asking that the children wear their own clothes in return for a gift donation for the Christmas Fayre. Ideas for the types of things we need are shown on the next page.

Finally, this is a real plea to make sure that you do read the newsletter and encourage others to do so. We try to keep you as up to date with things as we can but do ask that you make a note of key dates and messages that appear in the newsletter so that you have all the information you need.

New dates have been added to the list this week- it is a busy few weeks in the run up to Christmas.

Miss Sarah Jolliffe.

Raffle Tickets and Christmas Fayre

You have all received a set of raffle tickets in your child's bag this week. We would be really grateful if you could encourage your friends and family to buy some. All funds raised go to the School Association.

Raffle tickets need to be returned to school on Monday 27th November so that they can be prepared for the Christmas Fayre.

The Christmas Fayre takes place on Friday 1st December from 5pm- 7pm. This is always a popular event and we are looking forward to seeing you.

There will be a dress-down day for the children on Friday 24th November in exchange for a donation to the Fair.

Thank you to those families who have offered to help run stalls or signed a Class 4 child up to support us. It is really appreciated.

Finally, a huge thank you to the members of the School Association who are working so hard to make this another successful event!

Key Dates:

21.11.23: Class 4 swimming
 21.11.23: Infant project exhibition for parents
 24.11.23: Dress down day for Christmas Fayre donations
 28.11.23: Class 4 swimming
 01.12.23: Listen2Me concerts- Year 1 and 2 and Class 4
 01.12.23: Christmas Fayre 5-7pm
 05/06/07 December- Infant Nativity performances 10am
 07.12.23: Junior Choir performance 2.55pm.
 08.12.23: Whole school to Panto!

10.12.23: Christingle Sunday service 4pm St Andrew's
 11.12.23: Infant Christmas Party
 11.12.23: Movie Mob- SA event
 12.12.23: Junior Christmas Party
 13.12.23: School Christmas Lunch
 13.12.23: Christmas Church service 2.15pm
 14.12.23: Class 3 tea party 2pm
 15.12.23: Term ends 2pm
 02.01.24: INSET day
 03.01.24: Children back to school

DRESS DOWN DAY FOR DONATIONS AND CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Dress Down Day – Friday 24th November

We will be holding a dress down day (no uniform) on **Friday 24th November** to help raise donations, so please could you send in one or more of the following items on the day:

- Stocking filler-type toys and games (new please, suitable for stall prizes)
- Chocolate or sweets for the children's' tombola
- Bottles for the adult tombola
- Gift items for the "Secret Room" (such as toiletries or novelty items suitable for the children to buy as gifts for parents/carers)
- Jam jars filled with sweets or small toys (covered with Christmas wrap/ribbon if you wish)



Tag Rugby

The Year 5/6 tag rugby team played their first league matches yesterday at Burnham Copse. The children played really well in tricky conditions. They played Burnham Copse, Bramley, Silchester and The Priory. They won 3 matches and drew 1 which leaves them in a very good position within the league. The team represented the school really well and Kathryn and Cody did a fantastic job with working out substitutes and positions for each game. Well done everyone!

Collective Worship



In Collective Worship we are learning about Jesus' family tree.

A branch will grow from a stump of a tree that was cut down. So a new king will come from the family of Jesse. Isaiah 11 v1.

Our Bible story this week was about David from 1Samuel 16 v1-13.

God doesn't look on outward appearances but on the heart and chooses David, youngest son of his father, who is tending the sheep, to be his king.

God promised David that he will be a great king and that a great king will come from his line.

