

# Newsletter

30 November 2018

Dear Parents/Carers

## Key dates

5 December	9.15am: Mrs Huby's Class Assembly
6 December	Christmas Fayre (see details below in newsletter)
7 December	UFS to Year 5 – Nasal flu immunisation (for those children whose forms have been returned to school)

## Marrick Priory

The children have returned from Marrick Priory, after having thoroughly enjoyed themselves and with lots of stories to tell! Earlier this week, they face-timed the children in school to tell them what they had been doing and the adventures they were having. I would like to say a big “thank you” to the staff who accompanied the children at Marrick Priory. The staff and children who went to Marrick want to give a special thanks to Mr Field, who organised the visit and was an inspiration to everyone! Thank you, Mr Field.

## Mr Mitchell in School

Mr Mitchell will be in school on Tuesday and Friday next week. Both children and staff are looking forward to his visits.

## Health and Safety issue – vehicular entrance to school

Please could I ask everyone not to park or leave their vehicle anywhere on, or in front of the drive at the far end of school, as this is the only means of entry to the school grounds by car. Recently, there have been several instances in which cars have been parked partly on the drive in front of the automated gates. **Please could parents/carers refrain from leaving their vehicles anywhere near the school drive (even if only dropping off or collecting their child), as emergency vehicles (fire engine or ambulance) will not be able to access the playground in the event of an accident or fire.**

### Foundation Stage Christmas Concert dates

Our Foundation Stage Christmas Concerts will take place on the following dates and times:

- Tuesday 11 December at 5.00pm
- Wednesday 12 December at 9.15am.

Each child will be given 2 tickets per performance (4 tickets in total). Please could any unwanted tickets be returned to members of staff in the Early Years/Foundation Stage Unit (***please do not return them to staff in upper school or reception***), as there will be a waiting list. Thank you.

### Poppy Appeal

Thank you so much for your generous contribution to this worthwhile cause. The total raised from the sale of poppies was £201.71.

### Foundation Stage visit to the Cinema

The Upper Foundation and Nursery children who went to see 'Arthur Christmas' at Cineworld today, had a wonderful time! They really enjoyed the film and their behaviour was impeccable. Thank you children for being such good ambassadors for our school!

### Non-uniform Day – Chocolate Donation

Thank you for your generous donation of chocolate on our non-uniform day today. All donations will go towards raising funds for school at our Christmas Fayre on 6 December.

### Christmas Fayre – Thursday 6 December

We look forward to seeing you at our Christmas Fayre on Thursday 6 December, from 3.30pm to 5.00pm. There will be lots of activities, including a raffle, a tombola stall, teacher auctions and lots of play activities. The raffle, tombola and teacher auction results will be announced at 4.45pm.

The fundraising team (Friends of Orchard Head School) will be very grateful for donations of buns, cakes and biscuits, which will be used to raise funds for school at the Christmas Fayre. In anticipation, thank you everyone!

There are still some places left for anyone who would like to have a stall at the Christmas Fayre. Stalls are £10.00 each. If you are interested, please contact the school office.

Offers of help at the Christmas Fayre will be enormously welcome! Please contact the school office if you are able to help, or if you would like to become a member of the fundraising team. Thank you.

## Class Assembly

Next week's class assembly (9.15am on Wednesday) is led by Mrs Huby's class. I would like to say a big "thank you" to the parents and carers who attended Mr McArthur's class assembly last week.

## Weekly Attendance

<b>Class</b>	<b>Attendance %</b>
Nursery am	91.13
Nursery pm	97.44
UFSLC	92.17
UFSR	89.55
Y1W	96.33
Y1/2B	90.33
Y2S	96.21
Y3T	94.83
Y3/4HL	98.00
Y4McA	98.62
Y5Fr	93.33
Y5/6F	99.35
Y5/6J	97.41
Whole School	95.16

Yours sincerely



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