

## Withinfields' Newsletter - 21.11.25

#### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Events coloured in green are either those which are funded by our enrichment pot or events that contribute to the pot as fundraising. Thank you for your support.

# **Fri 28th Nov -** Reception vision screening checks

**Mon 1st Dec -** Poet working in school with Y6

Tues 9th Dec - Christmas Fayre

Weds 10th - 12th Dec - Y5 Robinwood

Mon 15th Dec - Y3 (am) / Y4 (pm) Christmas Party

**Tues 16th Dec** - Y1/2 Christmas Party (pm)

Wed 17th Dec - Nativity (9.10am & 5pm) & Y6 Christmas Party (pm) Thurs 18th Dec - EYFS (am) / Y5 (pm) - Christmas party

Friday 19th Dec - Christmas Dinner & Jumper day

#### BUN SALES - 50p

We enjoy buns each Friday at playtime. We ask for donations of buns from a different class each week as detailed below. Buns are 50p and this can be paid in cash or via School Gateway. Proceeds from these sales go into our Enrichment pot.

#### Class to bring Date buns 28.11.25 Switzerland 5.12.25 Finland 12.12.25 Poland 19.12.25 Spain 9.1.26 Nursery 16.1.26 Denmark 23.1.26 Reception

#### Buns Sponsor of the week

Many thanks to our Bun Sponsor - iBuild scaffolding - who have kindly provided funding for the rest of this half term.

If you have a company that would like to sponsor a week or you wish to do it as a family, please complete this link.

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You can use it as an opportunity to raise awareness of your business or ask to remain anonymous. It costs just £40 to purchase buns for those that haven't paid/forgot their money.

Our Enrichment pot pays for all school trips and special workshops within school for our children so that parents are not asked to pay for these.

#### Special moment of the week!

As many of you will have seen on the ClassDojo posts, the children all enjoyed hot chocolate and toasted marshmallows on Wednesday when we were without electricity for the morning. The children seemed to enjoy the different styles of teaching and realised that actually we can manage without the internet, screens and computers. Thank you to Mr Griffiths and Sports Coach Dan for stoking the fire and ensuring the children were safe in the forest.

## Important information for next week

The Early Years children will be taking part in a Little Feet Elmer Walking initiative on Monday afternoon. We will share information on ClassDojo following this event.

The KS1 children will be learning about hygiene on Thursday from a visitor whose job is linked to this.

### Other information

**Children in Need** - Thank you so much for all your generous donations last Friday. We raised an excellent total of £253.80.

**Attendance mascot -** Please see the ClassDojo post for information about this. We are looking for the children to design this character to act as our mascot for all posts about attendance.

**Mrs Geraghty -** Mrs Geraghty, one of our Higher Level Teaching Assistants, left on Tuesday following her success in attaining a job which allows her to follow a new career in an area where she's wanted to live for a while. There were lots of tears at the staff breakfast which was held for her. She has sent the following message to the children:

"To all the lovely children, you are all individuals with your own creative journeys ahead of you. Some of you find the work at school difficult. We don't always understand everything but when the switch flicks, it's a marvellous feeling of great self-worth.

I encourage you to read whatever you are interested in from fashion to fishing, archaeology to art. Whatever appeals to you, open up a book! Practice makes perfect! Chant your times tables - if you chanted one a day, by the end of the year, you would know them all!

Look at the spark inside you and shine because you are all incredibly talented and amazing. Be kind and caring to yourself because you're the most important person in the world. Show love, respect and friendship to all around you. I will miss you all dearly and I wish you all the vest best because you can be the very best that you want to be!

Love, Mrs Geraghty"

Local Authority Visit - We had a visit from one of the School Effectiveness Officers from the Local Authority on Monday. She visited many classes, looking at what the children were doing in each. She also witnessed the start of the school day from the gate opening to everyone being in. She was incredibly impressed with the calmness of the classrooms and the relationships that are evident in all areas of school. She said that the behaviour of the children was strong. She was complimentary of the provision in Early Years and the opportunities that the children experience there. She was also impressed with the professional conversations that she witnessed between staff in the staffroom before school had even started as it was clear to her that everyone has all the children's best interests at heart. We were very proud of everyone!

**Wintry weather -** Just a reminder that messages about inclement weather are shared on ClassDojo. Please try to avoid messaging to ask for decisions if there is snow on the ground as information will be posted as soon as decisions are made. Often this depends on how many staff we can safely get into school. As many of you will know, we aim to avoid school closures wherever we can. Hopefully, we won't even have to think about it this side of Christmas!