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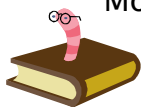
NEWS FROM PILGRIMS PRE-PREPARATORY SCHOOL

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This is my first newsletter as Headteacher and I wanted to start by thanking all parents for their wonderful letters, cards, flowers and gifts supporting my appointment. I have always been passionate about Pilgrims so I feel incredibly proud and lucky that I am now Headteacher of such a fantastic school.



A huge thank you to everyone who attended the recent Book Fair.



More than £1,000 was taken in book sales which gives us commission of just over £620 to spend on books for classrooms and the library. Once again many thanks!

Pyjamas for a Present Day is on Tuesday, 23rd November and children from Nursery and above may wear their pyjamas to school in return for bringing in a suitable Christmas gift for an adult. Remember that the gift which is donated by your child should be something that you may like to receive yourself for Christmas. In addition to wearing their pyjamas to school, Pyjamas for a Present Day, will be a fun filled day for the children when they will be preparing the school for the festive season.



Tuesday is also the day when the staff remain in school after the children have left to prepare the school for Christmas. It is wonderful to see the children's faces the next morning when they see the festive decorations. Next week also sees the arrival of the Christmas trees. It has now become a tradition that the trees are decorated with homemade decorations that the children bring in. If you have time over the weekend please could you dig out the glitter and glue sticks and make a decoration with your child for the tree.



Please remember that bags belonging to children who stay for Owls/Clubs will be put on their pegs so there is no need to enter the classrooms at the end of the school day. Please encourage children from Year 1 and above to collect their own items to encourage independence. Also, should your child need to visit the toilet at the end of the day, please take them to the toilets next to the dining room and not their class toilet as these will have already been cleaned ready for the next day.



The Pilgrims Parents are hosting their Christmas Fayre on Friday, 26th November between 2.30pm and 4.30pm where all kinds of goodies will be for sale. Your child will have already received a paper plate which we would like you to fill up with yummy cakes or Christmas treats for the Christmas Fayre.



On the morning of the Fayre children in Nursery and above will have the opportunity to purchase a gift for £3 in the Christmas Grotto, which will then be gift wrapped by Pilgrims Parents and sent home before the end of term in time for Christmas. Please put the £3 in an envelope and give it to your child's class teacher.



A new date for your diary. On Thursday, 9th December at 2.30pm children in Reception and above will be singing carols on the terrace. Please make sure that your child is fully equipped for the cold weather. As they will be playing the part of carollers Mrs Hall would like the children to bring their own coats, hats and gloves from home to wear. All parents and grandparents are invited to come and watch and mince pies and mulled wine will be available to purchase. There will be a collection afterwards in aid of the Pilgrims' Grand Piano Appeal. A note will be issued before the event asking for numbers.



Best wishes

Mrs Jo Webster

Headteacher