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NEWSLETTER

St John's Highbury Vale C. of E. Primary School

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Christmas Fair



Friends of St John's are presently putting the final touches to organising the School's annual Christmas Fair. If you have not already put it in your diary the date is **SATURDAY 1st DECEMBER**. If you can support the event with donations, ie. Buying extra raffle tickets, baking cakes / mince pies, this would be greatly appreciated. If you need any further information please speak to your class rep or directly with Emma the Chair of FOSJ.

I look forward to seeing you all on Saturday and thank you in advance for all your time and support you give to the school

School Book Sale



It was great to see so many families attend the Book Sale last week and so many children enthusiastic about selecting their own books. I would like to say thank you to Miss Newman and the Year 6 pupils for organising the Book Sale and also to you for supporting the event as through your sales, the school will receive in return nearly £1000 worth of books. Thank you!

School Charities

Last week pupils across the school voted on charities they would like to support over the school year. The school is going to support a local, national and an international charity. Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 will be supporting the local charities, linked to our three Churches, with the pupils learning about the good work they do in the community. Year 3 & 4 are going to focus on a National charity and they have voted for GOSH (Great Ormond Street Hospital). The Year 5 & 6 pupils voted for the Goodwill Project in India, which is based around supporting children in education. All three of these are fantastic charities and over the year the pupils will learn more about the purpose of charity and also understand how they can contribute and make a difference to someone else's life.

Over Christmas each of our Churches will have a range of events and services taking place to celebrate this special time of year. St Augustine's Church (108 Highbury New Park, N5 2DR) would like to invite you to:

Sunday 9th December at 10.30am. Christmas Family Celebration Service for all ages. A service to celebrate Christmas led by the St Augustine's children and young people. Followed by a free community lunch.

Sunday 16th December at 6.30pm. Christmas Carols by Candlelight Service.

Monday 24th December at 11.45pm. Christmas Eve Communion Service.

Tuesday 25th December at 10.30am. Christmas Day Family Communion Service for all ages.

Class Assembly Dates

- Thursday 6th December – 9 am – Year 5
- Tuesday 11th December – 9am – Year 3

Date change. Unfortunately Mr Lloyd is away on training on Tuesday 4th December, so we have re arranged the assembly to the Thursday. The Year 5 assembly will be a repeat of their Shakespeare performance, so if any other family members would like to see their fantastic performance, this is their opportunity.

PRAYING FOR THE SJHV COMMUNITY

A group of Christian parents from St John's meet each week to pray for the school community, anyone is very welcome to join them on a Friday afternoon at 2.40pm in Maberly hall. Contact Kirsty Hannah or Angie Catlett for more details.
kirstymariehannah@gmail.com

Christmas Dates

- Wednesday 12th December
Christmas Service @ St Thomas's
2pm start. Parents welcome.
- Friday 14th December
Christmas Jumper Day
- Thursday 13th & Friday 14th December
KSI Nativity – 2pm start. (Entry by ticket only)
- Tuesday 18th December
Christmas Lunch
- Wednesday 19th December
KSI Christmas party
- Thursday 20th December
KS2 Christmas party
- Friday 21st December
Carols around the tree starting at 9am. Parents welcome.
- Friday 21st December – 2pm Finish

Parent Forum

The second forum of this half term will be on Wednesday 5th December at 9.00am for 45 minutes in Maberly Hall, and will be ran by Mr Lloyd. The focus of the session will be on challenge in maths, which is a key part of our school improvement this year.

Parent Open Afternoon

Following our parents evening last week we will be having an open afternoon on Friday 7th December between 3.30pm – 4.00pm. Your child will be able to share their work from this term and it is an opportunity for you to see the progress they have made and some of their excellent outcomes.