

Fir Tree News

Academic Year 2015/2016

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If any parents would prefer Newsletters in large print or by e-mail please contact the school office to arrange this.
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remember to contact the school office if your child is off sick

It's nearly Panto time – oh yes it is!

This year all our children from Reception to Year 6 will be going to see Dick Whittington at the Corn Exchange on the 8th December in the afternoon. Letter will go out next week with all the details.

Parents Open Morning & Kindness Day

Next Friday 13th November, it is our termly open morning. It is from 9-10am and is an opportunity to look through your child's books and speak to your child's teacher. There will also be activities going on in the classroom that you can join in with alongside your child. We are celebrated National Kindness Day on that Friday so there will be some lovely activities taking place. Please do come along, we love seeing you in our school.

Remembrance Day



We will be holding our Remembrance Assembly next Wednesday for the children. We are selling poppies and other poppy accessories all of next week. Poppies are a donation and the accessories vary from 50p to £1. Please see our website for a list of what is on sale. There are rulers, bracelets, rubbers, pencils and so on.

Children in Need

Next Friday we will be taking part in Children in Need. This year you can dress up as your own personal hero rather than just a superhero. It can be someone you admire – maybe a doctor or sports star? You can also dress as a superhero as well. Please bring your £1 donation.



Purcell Maths Puzzle

Mathematics



Each week Mrs Purcell will be sending home a maths puzzle for parents to do with their children over the weekend. There will be a puzzle suitable for Foundation, KS1, Lower KS2 and Upper KS2. Please hand in your answers to Mrs Purcell on Monday and you will get a smelly sticker and entered in a prize draw! Go on get your maths hats on! Parents, there will be a clue on the website for each puzzle if your children are getting stuck.

Assessment sheets

Your child will be coming home with an assessment sheet today to let you know how they are getting on and what their targets are. We are going to be sending these home every half term. Please feel free to make any comments and/or arrange to see your child's teacher if needed. Please see the letter that goes with this for more details on assessment.

Learning at Fir Tree

Please look on the window or door of your child's class every Friday when you collect them as there should be a poster telling you what they have been learning that week. This is then a great way for you to discuss their learning with them.

Colder Weather

It is getting colder each week so please make sure you send your child to school with the appropriate clothing. Thank you.





Alternative Olympics

"On Wednesday 4th November, a team of students visited Park House School to compete in an Alternative Olympics event. Our children had the opportunity to play boccia, curling, seated volleyball and archery. Each school was placed into a group with other local schools. Fir Tree were joined by Yattendon, Mary Hare and Beedon. The results in the group were extremely close, and each school seemed to have a sport they excelled at; Fir Tree's was Curling. Our children really enjoyed the evening and were placed second overall, winning silver medals! Well done!!"

Autumn 2 term dates

Tuesday 3rd November-Term begins
Thursday 5th November-Year 4 Class Assembly 2.45pm
Thursday 12th November-Trinity Science Workshop (Year 5)
Friday 13th November-Open Morning for Parents 9-10am
Thursday 19th November-Year 3 Class Assembly 2.45pm
Thursday 26th November-Trinity Humanities workshop (Year 5)
Monday 30th November-Creative Week (all week)
Thursday 3rd December-Year 2 Class Assembly 2.45pm
Tuesday 8th December-Pantomime 1pm
Wednesday 9th December-Christmas Lunch
Thursday 10th December-Year 1 Class Assembly 2.45pm
Tuesday 15th December-Foundation Nativity 9.30am
Wednesday 16th December-Foundation Nativity 2pm
Thursday 17th December-Christmas Concert Yr 1-6 9.15am
Thursday 17th December-Class parties
Friday 18th December-End of Term – Finish 1:15pm

Please note that information regarding the Trinity workshops will be sent out nearer each one. Different children will attend different workshops and letters will be sent to individuals from Mrs Hyde.