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WINTER NEWSLETTER NO.39



Dear Parents,

Only 23 days until Christmas Day and only 10 days left at school!

This term has gone really quickly and there has been lots going on both in and out of school. The last days will be a mixture of work and getting ready for Christmas. I hope that many of you will be able to join us for the activities we have planned up until the end of term.

DIARY DATES

Saturday 3rd December	PTFA Christmas Fair
Tuesday 6th December	Year's 4/5 and 6 Clarinet concert; 9.15am in the hall parents invited to attend to see what their children have been learning this term.
Friday 9th December	Class 1 Sharing Assembly 2.45pm in the hall PTFA Christmas disco
Wednesday 14th December	Class 3 performing a play for Christmas
Thursday 15th December	Community Carol Service-6pm
Friday 16th December	Christmas Cross Country followed by coffee and Mince pies. End of Term.
Tuesday 3rd January 2017	INSET Day
Wednesday 4th January 2017	Return to School

Goodbye

Many of you will have heard that Lara Bawler is leaving the Willows Club at the end of this term. Lara has been running the Willows before and after school club since we started it over 3 years ago. We are extremely grateful for all the hard work Lara has put in to make the facility so successful and we wish her well for the future.



The Willows will continue to operate with new personnel. The job has been advertised and we will be interviewing for the position early next week. As soon as we know who will take Lara's place we will let you know.

Going forward, bookings for places in the Willows will need to be made through the school office at least 48 hours in advance so that we can plan for sufficient staffing cover.



We are still on course for opening Curry Mallet Pre-School in January 2017. The position of Pre-School Leader has been advertised and we will be interviewing candidates next week for the position. The Pre-School will open on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday's from 9am through to 3.15pm. Parents also have the option to use The Willows from 7.30am before the first session and until 5.15pm after pre-school. We are also hoping that the children will be able to purchase a hot meal at lunch time if required. Full details of the session times and prices can be found on our website, the village website and the PTFA Facebook page.

Registration forms can be requested from the school office. Please spread the word to those who may be interested in using our Pre-School. If anyone has any further questions, please do come and ask.

Thank you to all those parents who have donated books and toys.



You may have seen the advert for a cleaner. We are still unable to fill this position. If you know of anyone who would be interested in the role, please do get in touch as soon as possible.



The new library will hopefully be erected before the end of term and will be up and running in early January. Heating and lighting will be installed and we also intend to use the space for music lessons and group work. A big thank you to all those who have helped make this project possible.



Could I also remind parents to look at and use the school website to keep up to date with what's going on. The Class pages will keep you informed of the things the children will be learning about each term. There are also sports reports that the children have written regarding the various matches they have been involved with. Also there is information regarding newsletters and letters sent home, should you miss any of the correspondence, which should have gone home with your child.



Cooking Club – Mrs Leighton has asked us to clarify the costs for cooking club. It wasn't made clear in previous newsletters so apologies for this. The charge for this club is £1.00 per child per week and not £1.00 per pupil per club as previously stated- this is to cover the cost of ingredients.



PE Hoodies – I have had further enquiries from parents regarding ordering additional PE Hoodies, having checked with the supplier the costs would be as follows; If you only order 1 the cost would be £17.55 + vat, but if 5 hoodies or more are ordered the price would come down to £13.55+ VAT. If any parent would like us to place an order, please let Lorraine know in the school office. Also with regards to hoodies, they are not to be worn as a replacement for a school jumper, but only for PE.

And finally.....

Thank you to all those who travelled to Wells to see the children sing in the Cathedral.

Kind regards

Wendy Devereux