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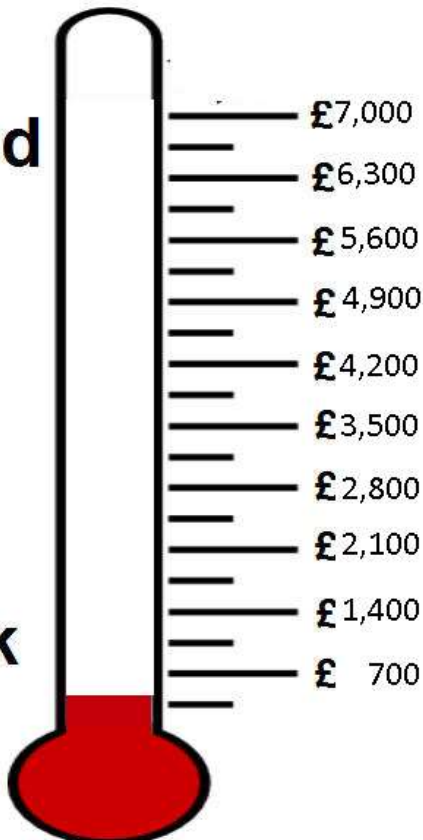
Christmas Cards

We will be sending out proofs of the children's Christmas cards in batches starting today. All profits from the sale of these cards will go towards the purchase of a new trolley of laptops that will be used by everyone in the school.



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Christmas Dates

Monday December 5th December - EYFS Baptist church. (1.30pm Parents to school 2.00pm walk to Baptist church).

Tuesday 6th December 1.30pm Yr1/Yr2 Baptist church and 3.30pm Disco Years 4-6.

Wednesday 7th December 3.30pm Disco EYFS.

Thursday 8th December 3.30pm Disco Years 1-3.

Friday December 9th December 11.45am Christmas Dinner (children only)

Sunday 11th December Carol service at St Michaels. All welcome.

Monday 12th December 1.30pm Years 3&4 Baptist church.

Tuesday 13th December 9.15am Nativity play to parents and 1.30pm Years 5&6 Baptist church.

Wednesday 14th December pm talent show (children only)

Thursday 15th December 9.15am Nativity play to parents.

Post-box

The school post-box will be put out on 1st December for children to put Christmas cards in. Please can all cards have the recipients full name and class on the front of the envelope. Thank you.

Recycling

Thank you to all those parents and children who have continued to collect milk bottle tops for us over the past year. We take these to 'Lush' in Commercial Road where they are recycled and made into Wellington Boots. We will continue with this collection next year so please continue to save your milk bottle tops and send them into school to either Mr Leavers or Mrs Pothecary-White.

Rabbit Rescue

We are also starting to collect the following for Portsmouth Rabbit Rescue:

- Washing-Up liquid bottle tops
- Clothes Conditioner bottle tops
- Kitchen & Bathroom cleaner trigger gun lids
- Biscuit wrappers

These items are taken to Havant where they are recycled and then funds are sent to Rabbit Rescue to help support all the lost, poorly and rescued rabbits.

Again please collect any items mentioned above and then bring them into school to Mr Leavers or Mrs Pothecary-White.

Portsmouth Dogs Home

As you know we have been supporting Portsmouth Dog's Home for quite a few years now and our efforts at collecting for them is always received gratefully by the staff and dogs!

Mrs Pothecary-White is collecting new items to deliver to the dog's home before Christmas and is asking for any donations of dog food, old towels, old blankets, dog beds, leads, collars, toys etc that may be useful at the Home. Without your support many lost, abandoned and stray dogs would be destroyed instead of being given the chance to find a new home with loving families. Please bring any donations to Mrs Pothecary-White. Thank you.

Board Games

If you have any board games that you no longer want at home please can you donate them to our lunchtime club.

Moan

I am afraid that I have got three moans for this week. Please can you help us out by relaying this to any friends that you feel might benefit from hearing them.

1 – Swearing. On more than one occasion this year parents have approached me to say that they are not happy with the language of some of the other parents. It has been reported to me that extreme swear words are being used as part of the every day language between parents and this is often done within earshot of young children. On two occasions that complaint has been directed at parents who are waiting for their children outside the year R and year 1 classes. Please can parents consider the impact this has on impressionable young children.

2- Once again, I have had a complaint from a parent about other parents smoking directly outside the gate to the school. I know that this is a regular meeting place for parents. Please can smokers show consideration to those who do not like walking through smoke. I request that you have the meeting place further down the pavement.

3 – We have had a complaint from a resident of Newbolt Road. She is upset by antisocial parking and the dropping of litter. Please can motorists show consideration when parking.

That is the end of the nagging. Please can parents / carers take this on board and remember that what I ask, I ask for the welfare of the children and the school community.

Mr Hartley

Diary Dates

Thursday 15th December – last day of term

Wednesday 4th January – children return to school after the Christmas holiday

Catfish Tennis

On Monday 28th November Catfish will be taking part in their last tennis session at the Portsmouth Tennis Centre. The children have shown great enthusiasm and made excellent progress in their skill development.



Sport Update

Under 11 Football

Well done to the under 11 football team who played their last round of league matches at GOALS. This was our best performance and all the team played with super determination. Well done to Sam Midgley, Kyan Pye, Luke Morris, Mia Revy, Callum Packham, Sonny Wilkinson, Tommy Stapleford-O'Neill, Max Newsham, Vinnie Hill and Charlie Morris.

Football Practice

There will be football for boys and girls in years 4, 5 and 6 on a Monday from 3:30pm to 4:15pm.

Netball

Netball practice will take place on Wednesday 30th November from 3:30pm to 4:15pm. Please inform Mrs Unitt if you cannot attend practice.

Dance Off

The next rehearsal will take place on Thursday 1st December from 3:30pm to 4:30pm. Please can you send in any outstanding payments as soon as possible.

Premier Sport

Monday 28th November – Multisports 3:30pm to 4:30pm

Wednesday 30th November – Fencing 3:30pm to 4:30pm

Reading Club

Due to a busy Christmas schedule during the last two weeks of term, Reading Club will not run for the last two weeks that we are here in December. Next week (w/b 28/11/16) will be the final club of 2016. We look forward to welcoming back the current children in January (w/b 9/01/17).

We have a couple of spaces in our Tuesday and Wednesday club which runs from 3.15 until 4pm. If your child is interested then please let their teacher know so a letter can be sent home. Many Thanks,

Mrs Lyndon.

DFE Information

The DFE (Department of Education) have requested that we gather information about your child to update our school system ready for our School Census in January 2017, this being your child's Nationality and Country of Birth.

We have 455 on roll at The Victory Primary School and we can do a bulk update to populate the information for every child as: Nationality – Citizen of the United Kingdom and Country of Birth - United Kingdom.

You do have the option of Refused if you do not want your child's information updated.

Please contact the school if the bulk update information is not appropriate for your child.

Just to clarify you only need to contact the school if either:

- Your child's nationality is not United Kingdom.

or

- Their country of birth is not United Kingdom.

Thank you in advance for assistance in this matter.

Mrs S Binns

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