

Parent Interviews Years 1 – 4

A reminder that Parent Interviews are taking place this week for children in Years 1–4. These are important meetings to ensure that we work in partnership with you to secure the best outcomes for your child. Please do make sure that you have made an appointment with your child's teacher. If for any reason you are unable to attend, please speak to the class teacher directly to arrange a different suitable time.

Children In Need

^cChildren in Need' is taking place this <u>Friday 18th November</u>. To raise money we are asking children <u>to come to school wearing non</u> <u>uniform (for a donation to this very worthy cause).</u>

We will let you know next week, the amount we raise. Thank you for your support.

Happy Valley and Breakfast Club

We appreciate that some parents need to plan ahead for their childcare. We therefore have booking forms now available for the whole of the spring term (January – April 2017). All forms are on the carousel outside the school office.

PTFA News

This **Friday** is the School Disco. Tickets are still available. Please see the office for more details.

Excitement is now building for the Winter Fayre which is being held on **Friday 2nd December** starting at 3:30pm.

We are having a raffle and this year the prizes include:

Chocolates from House of Dorchester

Voucher for Brace of Butchers on Poundbury

Voucher for Manna Kitchen in Crossways

Hamper goodies from Tesco

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Hamper from Dorset Cereal including some recipe cards

In addition to this the PTFA will put together some hampers full of festive goodies and of course we may still get more donations. Raffle Tickets will be sent home with all children shortly. Please sell the tickets to friends and family. If you need more tickets then the PTFA will be having a table in school from **28th November** so please come up and get some!







Football Skills with Trevor Senior

This half term, Year 3 are learning football skills with Trevor Senior on a Friday morning. Please can parents ensure that children have a warm outdoor P.E kit in school every week. We really recommend a hat and gloves as it is sometimes very cold and windy!

Forest School

We are very excited to be starting **Forest School** at Frome Valley. We have a developing wildlife area on the school field which is the ideal location for us to go out and explore, have fun and learn. This half term, Year 4 will be taking part in activities every Friday afternoon. We know that the chance is very slim but, as they are spending time in the wildlife area, there is the risk of tics. Please



can all parents check their children after each session and take appropriate action if any are found.

Remembrance Sunday

On Sunday, the school laid a wreath at the Remembrance Service in Crossways. Thank you to Amy, Madeline and Ned in Year 4 that represented the school so beautifully and laid the wreath at the war memorial during the service.

<u>Staffing</u>

We need to inform parents that, for personal reasons, Mrs Joanne Pires has handed in her resignation. She is currently on sick leave. We have arranged for regular cover up to the end of this term. On a Friday, Mrs Rebecca Connor will teach Year 1. Mrs Connor is currently a teacher at school in Year 2 (covering maternity leave). On a Monday, Mrs Lucy Darby (our regular supply teacher) will teach Year 4. We will keep you updated on what is happening after the Christmas Holidays.

Hot Christmas Lunch

Thank you to everyone that has so far ordered their Christmas lunch. As explained last week, we are taking orders, but will not be able to confirm if we space for everyone until we know the number of school children wishing to eat. We will advise you on **Monday 28th November.** In the meantime please note the below cut off dates.

The last date for online orders is Sunday 27th November. The last date for parents orders with the school office is Friday 25th November

Sharing Assembly

Don't forget that Sharing Assembly for Years 3 and 4 is taking place next **Tuesday 22nd November at 2.15pm**, with the Reception class and Years 1 and 2 the following week on **Tuesday 29th November at 2pm**.

We look forward to welcoming all parents, friends and relatives to these special assemblies. *At Sharing Assembly, we like to share in all the children's achievements. If your child has been awarded anything outside of school, please bring all certificates etc. to the school office.*