# Byley Primary School and Nursery - Newsletter



Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2023

#### A message from Miss Whittingham:

It has been such a lovely week. The EYFS and KS1 children were fabulous in their Nativity. All the performances were super and I have heard so many lovely comments. A huge THANK YOU to the staff who have worked so hard with the children to make the show so brilliant! The KS2 children are getting ready for their carol concert next week. I know they are looking forward to it. KS2 tickets have gone out this week. if you haven't had yours, please check your children's bags!

Please bring your child **back to school at 6:15 on Wednesday evening** for the performance. The children can wear their Christmas jumpers for the concert, they can also add a little something Christmassy – eg tinsel.

#### Year 5 and 6 will need their instruments in on Monday.

Christmas Fair: another huge thank you to Year 5/6 and Mrs Boyd for a wonderful fair last week. We made an incredible £765.69. Thank you for all your support and donations.

Christmas Dinner: this is on Wednesday - 20<sup>th</sup> December. Please pay via ParentPay. It is also Christmas Party day. The children can come to school in their Christmas jumpers on Wednesday.

**Pantomime: Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December** – just a couple of reminders: Coaches will be leaving by 9:15; please ensure your child is in school on time. Children should be in school uniform. Please send in a packed lunch if you have not pre-ordered a school dinner from school.

**150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary:** the main events for the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary will take place on Friday 26<sup>th</sup>/Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> January. On the Friday, we would like all the children and staff to dress in Victorian costumes. All those with connections to the school (past and present) can visit to have a tour and look at the photos. Please let anyone who has connections to the school know. Please phone the school office to book your slot (morning or afternoon). Drinks, cakes and biscuits will be available.

Lunchtime Stars: this week, I enjoyed having lunch with Amber, Felicity, Philip and Holly and Olivia, Amice, Layla and Martha. Well done, everyone!

Thank you for your continuing support,

Elizabeth Whittingham (Headteacher)

Our Weekly Attendance Figures	School Dinners
Whole School - 96.4%	Please remember dinner money is now £2.55 and paid via PARENTPAY
Reception - 100% Years 1/2 - 93.3% Years 3/4 - 97.9% Years 5/6 - 94.2%	<b>3-week menus are on the school website</b> . Next Week's Lunch Menu: <b>Week 3</b> Cost for the 8 weeks the children are in school - <b>Autumn 2</b> Daily £2.55
Well done to our Reception class for achieving 100% attendance this week!	Weekly: £12.75 Half term £102 (40 days)

#### **Important Diary Dates:**

Tues 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	KS2 Carol Concert afternoon performance (2:30pm)
Wed 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas jumper, Christmas Lunch & Class parties
Wed 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	KS2 Carol Concert evening performance (6:30pm)
Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> Dec	Whole School to Pantomime
Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> Dec	Break for Christmas Holiday
Mon 8 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2024	INSET Day - School Closed
Tues 9 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Children back in school
Fri 26 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Victorian Day to celebrate 150 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary
Sat 27 <sup>th</sup> Jan	150 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary open day

## Byley Busy Buddies

The new booking and payment system (ParentPay) is now up and running. Any issues accessing it please contact the school office.

Prices : Breakfast Club £4/£2.50 (sibling) per session After School Club £7.50/£5 (sibling) per session

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Bags-2-School: thank you for your support. The donations made raised £60.

The PTA needs your support to be able to continue with events and raise money to support the school. It is also a great way to get involved in school life and get to know other parents.

Please help raise funds for our school by checking out through the easy fundraising website. It's easy to do and costs nothing. Go to the link:

### www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/byleypta/

Click on support cause and then create an account. This means you can then visit thousands of websites through the easyfundraising site and the retailers will make a small donation to the PTA.

You can also set up reminders on your toolbar so that when you visit one of the named sites it will ask you if you want to donate - this will not cost you ANYTHING and saves you visiting easyfundraising to see your chosen shopping site is listed.

Any funds the PTA make go straight back into making our school an even better learning environment for our children, so any help is greatly appreciated.

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