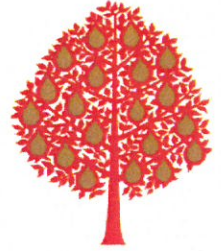


*'Wherever you are—
Love learning, stay sensible, keep caring.'*



The Perryfield Post

What's happening?

At this time of year there are many different activities happening in school. The big Chr... celebration is just around the corner and I am sure you are all beginning to make plans for that.

Here at Perryfields, we realise that this is a very exciting time for the children and although we really make the most of the festive season, we try not to mention the actual word, until the 1st December!

Once the staff have completely finalised details of all our celebrations, I shall be writing to you again—it gets very busy but there is a lot of 'magic and sparkle' in school.

The Chr... Bazaar is the first of our events. A huge 'thank you' to the 'Fips' team who have already started thinking about the stalls and games. If you are able to give a bit of time to help and support this event please do approach a member of the FIPS team.

There will shortly be letters going out and posters going up asking parents to volunteer to run one of the stalls for part of the afternoon. The more volunteers we have the more stalls we can run—so please don't be shy! The next parent helper/FIPS meeting is this Friday 13th November at 2pm. Parents meet in the reception area and then we all go over to the family room. It is an extremely informal atmosphere and pre-school children are welcome to come and play.

Children in Need

It will not have escaped your attention that Friday 13th November is Children in Need day. The School Council met with Mrs Reid to decide how they would like to mark this occasion. There were a number of different ideas, but the overwhelming decision

was to have a pyjama day! So, children can come to school on Friday wearing pyjamas, however please remember that the children will still be having lessons and going outside in the play-ground. So sensible shoes and warm coats are a must. If you would like to make a small donation it will be

gratefully received.

Let's hope the children don't all fall asleep in the book corner!



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Dates for your diary...

- 13 Nov—Children in Need
- 20 Nov—Parent Assessment Meeting 2.30pm
- 24 Nov—Open afternoon
- 26 Nov—SEN Coffee morning 9.15am
- 27 Nov—Diamond Class Assembly 9.15
- 27 Nov—FIPS meeting 2pm
- 4 Dec—FIPS Movie Night now SOLD OUT
- 11 Dec—Chri..... Fair 3-5pm
- 15 Dec—Chri..... play Year 1 parents at 1.45pm
- 16 Dec—Chri..... play 9.30am F/S parents and 1.45pm Year 2 parents
- 17 Dec—Children's Chri..... lunch
- 18 Dec—Last Day of Term & Chri..... jumper day
- 4 Jan—Non pupil day
- 5 Jan—Children back to school

Fantastic Results

I am sure you are all aware that schools are expected to ensure that the quality of teaching within the classroom is of a high standard. The teaching obviously has a direct impact on the standards children achieve.

Each year, individual schools receive a summary report, drawn up by Ofsted, of the achievements of children over the past 5 years. The data included in the report is not just with regard to academic standards, but also absence, exclusions, ethnicity,

and special educational needs. Here at Perryfields Infants, our data has shown for the past 5 years that the standards the children achieve are always above the national average. This is fantastic news! I would just like to thank all the teaching and support staff for their commitment and hardwork. Thank you too, to you as parents and carers for your continued support with reading and homework, but most of all to the children. Aren't they amazing?



The Big Question

This week we have been discussing our new Core Value 'responsibility' and how people are responsible for themselves, behaviour, pets, friendships, the community and sometimes the World. We have also been learning about a variety of religions and cultures. The Big Question to discuss in school and at home is 'which festivals and celebrations are most important to you and why'? There are so many fantastic things to celebrate around the World, in school and at home and we are enjoying listening to each others views and opinions.

Reminders

- **Envelopes**—all money coming into school MUST be in a sealed envelope, clearly stating what the payment is for and with your child's name and class. Please can the correct amount be given as we are unable to give change.
- **Meals**—please can I remind everyone how important it is to keep the meal choices up to date especially with the recent menu change.
- **Stranger Danger**—an extremely important parent and staff meeting on E-safety will be held on Thursday 14th January 2016 at 6.30-8.30pm. We are paying for an expert Stranger Danger presentation that I know you will not want to miss—please put this date in your diary (details to follow).
- **Car Park**—the joint car park with the junior school is a STAFF car park and is only for staff to use. I appreciate that parking is more difficult with the new parking permits but for safety reasons parent parking is prohibited. The car park gate will be closed and now locked from 8.30-9.30am and 2.45-3.30pm each day.

Help your child to learn—coffee mornings

We have recently started parent/carer coffee mornings. The first meeting will be on Thursday 26th November at 9.15am where you will have the opportunity to meet the school Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator—Mrs Barnett and the schools Educational Psychologist. The coffee mornings can be on a variety of topics, from reading to temper tantrums!

If there is a specific topic you are particularly interested in or would like more information on please don't hesitate to contact me. We want these coffee mornings to be as helpful as possible. The focus and times of these coffee mornings will be on the Perryfield Post. If there is a specific coffee meeting you want to attend please just come along. We aim

to make the mornings as informal as possible and it is a good way of sharing ideas and getting to know people.

See you there!

