



*'Be safe, be kind.
Listen and think a lot.
Be your best!'*



The Perryfield Post

Christmas Bazaar Christmas Friday 7th December Post Box



Have you put the special date in the diary? Have you signed up to help yet? There are several slots still available on all year group stalls. Please can I ask parents to look at the year group stall sheets which are up in the reception area and to offer 20 minutes with your child to help run a stall. We really do need everyone's help if these fun and exciting events are to continue to happen. A big thank you to everyone who has already signed up.



Next week, the Christmas card post box will be out ready for the children to post their friends Christmas cards. Please can I remind everyone to make sure that the child's name, who is to receive the card and the name of their class is clearly written on the front of the envelope. This will ensure that our special post-men can correctly deliver the cards. If you do ask the office team for a class list, for safeguarding purposes please remember you **MUST NOT** upload them onto social media or share them.

Children in Need

Two weeks ago all of the children and staff had a wonderful time wearing their pyjamas and sharing the day with their teddies. A big thank you to everyone who donated some money. We managed to raise a **FANTASTIC £231.96p** for this worthwhile charity.

Thank you everyone.

REMINDER

Any monies sent into school must be in separate envelopes for each event with correct money for each one. Clearly named and labelled.

Thank you

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Dates for your diary...

- 7th Dec—AM Christmas Panto in school (Cinderella)
- 7th Dec—3-5.00pm Christmas Bazaar—everyone welcome
- 12th Dec—Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day!
- 13th Dec—Christmas play 1.45pm (Ruby, Sapphire & Pearl Class parents)
- 14th Dec—9.30am Christmas play (Topaz, Emerald & Diamond Class parents)
- 14th Dec—FIPS Sparkly Disco
- 17th Dec—Carols around the tree (invites only)
- 17th Dec—visit to All Saints Church
- 18th Dec—Last Day
- 19th Dec—Non-Pupil Day.
- 3rd January—Children back to school.

Visit to All Saints Church

On Monday 17th December the whole school will be walking to the local church for our yearly Christmas nativity. This really puts the children and staff into the Christmas spirit! If you regularly help in school, have the necessary DBS and are able to support the children by helping them walk to and from the church please speak to the class teacher or let me know. Please also remember to return the permission slip. Thank you.

YEAR 2 ADMISSIONS TO YEAR 3

YEAR 2 PARENTS PLEASE REMEMBER TO APPLY ONLINE FOR YOUR CHILDS YEAR 3 PLACE BEFORE JANUARY 2019.

More festive events!

The month of December is extremely busy at Perryfields Infants. The Christmas play certainly takes a great deal of organising. Costumes, staging, backdrops, props and programmes all have to be completed and ready to go in a very short space of time. This is all in addition to actually producing the play and the children learning their lines, songs and dances!

On top of this, the children enjoy a festive menu. The meals cooked by the junior school are delicious but with over a hundred dinners a day in the infant school alone, lunch times do run over during the week.

Sparkly Disco



Just a reminder that the children's Sparkly Disco, takes place on Friday 14th December. Please don't worry if your child really doesn't want to take part—loud music and dancing isn't everyone's idea of a good night out!

Foundation stage children should bring their party clothes with them on Friday. Other children should go home and get changed. However, as I have mentioned before, children should not wear high heels, jewellery or make up.

We have a very quick turn around between session, so please collect your children promptly.

Our thanks go to The FIPS Team who have organised this all.

The Big Question



This week we have been discussing what the expected behaviour is at Perryfields Infant School. We discussed how it felt when someone is kind to us and we all agreed that it made us smile and feel nice about ourselves. Thinking about school life and life outside of school we discussed being safe and how we should behave. The Big Question is 'Should you only be kind to people you know?'

Please discuss this further at home. Is there a difference between being polite and kind?



In addition, some Year 2 children visit The Lawns Care Home to sing to the residents. This year some of the Year 1 children will be visiting The Lawns Care Home to perform their fantastic Christmas dance. This is always an extremely happy time and is much appreciated by the residents and staff.

Our fabulous FIPs Team have also organised the Sparkly Disco again this year and as you will appreciate, the children become very excited during this day. In the classroom, there is glitter everywhere! All the children will be making a card and a calendar to take home along with other Christmas activities.

SICK BUG 48 hours

If your child has been sick or had diarrhea, please remember the 48 hour rule. Even if they feel better children should not return to school until 48 hours after their last bout of sickness and/or diarrhea. They need to be free of symptoms for 48 hours to minimise the spread of infection. If this rule hasn't been followed we will call you to come and collect your child from school.

Change of date

For your information the Year 1 class assemblies have been swapped around.

Emerald Class will have their assembly first on Friday 15th February and Sapphire class will have their assembly on Friday 29th March. Sorry for any inconvenience caused by this change.

Welcome

This week the school's new Finance Officer started in the office. We would all like to give a warm welcome to Mrs Clark and know that she will be a positive member of the Perryfields team. I'm sure you will all help to make her feel welcome.

Thank you.

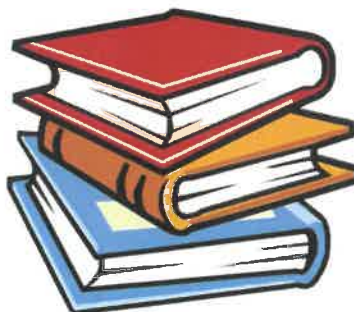


New Books

We have recently purchased some new reading books, library books and dictionaries. The children are excited by the new and varied books. As you can appreciate these specialised books are expensive and we have spent thousands of pounds of them. Please can you teach your children to respect the books and treat them with care. As you know school's budgets are shrinking and we need to be careful with the resources we have.

Please remember that water bottles must **NOT** go inside the book bags as they can leak and ruin the books. Damaged books will be charged for. Parents will receive a letter stating which books have been damaged and how much they need to pay. Each book will cost £5 to replace.

Thank you for your co-operation.



The last day for order's to be in school for the Owl photo's is Tuesday 4th December. If you would like to place an order, please make sure it is returned to school no later than this date. Thank you

A few reminders—

Rucksacks — Children should only be bringing in the Perryfields Infant School small rucksacks (see photos). These are large enough to hold the children's books, reading diary and they have an excellent holder on the outside to hold a school water bottle. The school water bottles are the correct size to fit into the bottle holder and also fit into the water bottle boxes in school. These are available at reception and are very reasonably priced at £2 each. The larger bottles tend to leak and do not fit into the school boxes. Rucksacks can be purchased from our uniform stockists, One Stop School Gear, Unit 1 Beehive Business Centre, Beehive Lane, Chelmsford CM2 9TE or online at:

www.onestopschoolgear.com



Hairbands — Several girls are coming to school with large hairbands on. The children are taking these on and off all day and at times swapping them. These are not part of the school uniform and should be worn out of school time. If children need hairbands to keep their hair out of their eyes please wear the flat hairbands.

PE socks — Please can all children have a spare pair of named socks in their PE bags, especially all the girls. Children need to be able to get fully changed for PE and the girls need to have socks when changing out of their tights. Tights are not worn for PE and socks are needed with the plimsolls. Over the Christmas period when the PE kits come home to be washed, please can named socks be put in the PE bags for their return to school.

Thank you for your co-operation as always