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**NEWSLETTER 14**

Dear Parents/carers and Children,

**SPRING TERM 2018 MEAL ORDERS on PARENTPAY**

The Spring Term menu is now available to order via ParentPay. The deadline has now passed for ordering meals for the first week of term so **if you have not already ordered for your child, for the week commencing 8<sup>th</sup> January 2018, you will need to send your child to school with a packed lunch for that week.**



KS1 meals are free and KS2 meals are £2.50. Please note when ordering a KS2 meal, you must pay at the time of ordering (or within 2 hours), otherwise the meal order will be automatically cancelled.



**IMAGE THEATRE**

The children were treated to a brilliant performance of 'The Wind in the Willows' last week, when travelling theatre group 'Image Theatre' visited our school.

**CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY 19<sup>th</sup> Dec**

Next Tuesday (19<sup>th</sup> December) is Christmas Jumper Day at St. Andrew's Church School! Children and staff are invited to come to school wearing a Christmas jumper with their usual school uniform in exchange for a donation of £1 to go towards Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day.



**NATIVITY**

Well done to all of our Reception children who acted out the nativity story, showing great confidence. Also a big well done to the whole school for their contributions to the wonderfully uplifting service – KS1 for the lovely singing, Years 3,4 and 5 for the Taize music, Year 6 for their narration and Choir for the beautiful singing. Thank you to all the staff involved for your continued hard work. Thank you to all who donated towards World Vision. We raised £155 to go towards the education of Edrissa, our sponsored child in Senegal.

If you would like to order a CD of photos, or a DVD of the service (or both), please log on to ParentPay by 20<sup>th</sup> December 2017. Orders will be available for collection from the School Office in January.



**PTFA**

**Christmas Fair**

A massive 'thank you' to everyone who attended and to all who gave up their time to make it a huge success. The total raised so far is £2016.15

**Santa's Grotto and Cake Sale 19th December**

Come along to see Santa on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December after school. We will be selling tickets for £1 and Santa will be in his 'grotto' (PTFA Shed). We will be serving hot refreshments while you wait and our famous marshmallow snowmen. Any donations of cakes for the cake sale would be gratefully received.

**Christmas Discos ~ Weds 20th December ~ Reception & KS1 5-6pm, KS2 6:30-8pm**

Letters have now gone home regarding next week's School Discos. Entry is £1 on the door. Please note children will not be allowed to leave school premises without an adult. The person collecting your child will need to come into the School Hall at the end of the event. Please collect promptly.

**Tesco Bags of Help Grant Scheme**

We are very excited that our Playground Renovations Project has been selected for the Tesco Bags of Help Grant Scheme and will be put forward to a customer vote in Tesco stores in the New Year.



Our project along with two other local projects can be voted on, in the Tesco stores listed below. Customers will decide the outcome by voting for their favourite project each time they shop. Voting will take place from Tuesday 2nd January 2018 to Wednesday 28th February 2018. The stores taking part are: GALMINGTON TAUNTON EXPRESS, LISIEUX WAY TAUNTON EXPRESS, EAST REACH TAUNTON EXPRESS, TAUNTON TESCO SUPERSTORE, TAUNTON HIGH STREET EXPRESS, TAUNTON PRIORSWOOD EXPRESS.

To vote, you will need to make a purchase within store of any value. You will receive one token per transaction. Please help us by voting as many times as possible and asking friends and family to also support the project.

**SCHOOL CHOIR**

We were very proud of our school choir members who sung their hearts out at the 'St Andrew's Church Christmas Fair' on Saturday. A big 'thank you' to all the children and their families who brought them along and to Miss Sadler for leading them in their performance.



**MACMILLAN FUNDRAISER- ELIZABETH HERBERT**

Please come to the School Office to buy your raffle tickets, where the Christmas hampers are on show. It's been too cold this week to sell tickets in the playground as promised! Elizabeth is keen to continue fund raising in memory of her mum, Tracie and hope that you will support her in her efforts. Thank you.

The draw will take place next Tuesday, a text will be sent and posters with winning ticket numbers will be put up near the School Office.



**THURSDAY JANUARY 18<sup>TH</sup> – AMERICAN DINER DAY**

On Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> January we will be serving a special 'American Diner Lunch' of hot dogs/veggie hot dogs served with fries and followed by cookies for dessert. If you would like to order a meal for your child, please log on to ParentPay to make your selections.



## CLUBS NEWS

Information regarding after school clubs continuing into the new term will be on next week's newsletter.

KS1 Dance Club will be starting on Thursdays between 12.30 & 1pm. The first session will be held on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> January, please come to the School Office for a letter if you wish to join.

## MISSING GLASSES

If anyone has found a pair of children's glasses with moustaches on the arms, please hand them to the School Office.



## DIARY DATES

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| <b>DECEMBER</b>     |  |
| Sunday 17th         | Community Carol Service 6pm in St. Andrew's Church (School Choir singing)                    |
| Tuesday 19th        | Christmas Jumper Day for £1 donation<br>KS2 Talent Show<br>PTFA Santa's Grotto and Cake Sale |
| Wednesday 20th      | Christmas Discos - Reception & KS1 5-6pm, KS2 6:30-8pm                                       |
| Thursday 21st       | Last day of Autumn term (break up for Christmas holidays)                                    |
| <b>JANUARY 2018</b> |  |
| Monday 8th          | First day of Spring term   |
| <b>FEBRUARY</b>     |  |
| Thursday 8th        | Last day of half term  |
| Friday 9th          | INSET DAY – School closed to pupils  |
| Monday 12th         | HALF TERM WEEK   |
| Monday 19th         | BACK TO SCHOOL   |

Yours sincerely,

*PJ Sheehan*

Paul Sheehan,  
Head Teacher



### NATIVITY ON THE GREEN

The churches of North Taunton are presenting Nativity on the Green on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2017 from 5.45pm-7pm at St. Andrew's Green, Taunton. There will be traditional carols, food and festive fun. Everyone welcome - remember to take a torch!



COMMUNITY CAROL SERVICE  
Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm in St Andrew's Church.  
The school choir are taking part - all are welcome.

