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Wheatfields Infants' and Nursery School
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Dear Parents,

What a lovely assembly Willow performed for us this morning. We all saw the learning that has taken place so far this year and what fun the children have been having whilst doing it. There was an important message "You never know till you give it a go" that they sang to us all as one of their songs. Thank you to Mrs Norman and Mrs McPartlin who supported the children with this. We also need to say a special welcome to Miss Walker who joined Willow class this week on a teaching placement and will be with us until February.

PARENT GOVERNOR VACANCY

The Chair of Governors is delighted to announce the appointment of Mrs Kate Garcia as our new Parent Governor. As there was only one nomination for this post, Mrs Garcia is deemed elected unopposed. Mrs Garcia has two children, one of whom is currently in Year 1. She has been an active member of FOWI for the past two years and was particularly involved in organising the last Summer Jamboree.

ANTI BULLYING WEEK 13th – 17th NOVEMBER

On Tuesday we had a special assembly as part of Anti-Bullying Week and all children and staff came to school in odd socks. The assembly celebrated how we are all different and unique but all equal.

We wanted to make sure the children understand how important it is that everybody feels valued and included in school, able to be themselves, without fear of bullying. The message to the children was 'Be proud of who you are and be accepting of one another'.



THE BIG SPOTACULAR: FRIDAY 18th NOVEMBER

This will be a non - uniform day for the Big Spotacular. Come to school wearing spots in return for a £1 donation for Children in Need, Edwards and Blake will be donating 10p to Children in Need for every school dinner served tomorrow.

PARENTS COFFEE MORNING: WEDNESDAY 22nd NOVEMBER

Parents of children who receive additional support in school, or any other parents who would like to talk about any concerns, are all warmly invited to come along and have a cup of tea with Mrs Fitzgerald and Mrs Chase on Wednesday 22nd November at 9.30pm. Karen Clarke, our Speech and Language therapist will also be there.

ALLERGENS

Please find the latest School Meal Allergen information from Edwards and Blake attached with the Newsletter. Please check to see if there are any meals your child is unable to eat, and as ever please make sure that the school has the most up to date information about your child.

Diary Dates

FRIDAY 17th NOVEMBER
Children in Need – The Big Spotacular

WEDNESDAY 22nd NOVEMBER
9.00am – 10.00am

SEN COFFEE Morning with Mrs Chase, Mrs Fitz and Karen Clarke

THURSDAY 23rd NOVEMBER
9.00am

Class Assembly: Ash

THURSDAY 23rd NOVEMBER
Flu Immunisation

FRIDAY 24th NOVEMBER
Non Uniform Day for Bottle Tombola

SATURDAY 25th NOVEMBER
12.00pm – 3.00pm
Frost Fair

WEEK COMMENCING 20th NOVEMBER 2017
SCHOOL MENU: Week 1

CHRISTMAS TIMETABLE

Christmas is fast approaching; here is a timetable to help you plan for all of the events in school.

Tuesday 5th December	9.30am Zebras Nativity followed by opportunity to view learning journals
Wednesday 6th December	9.00am Nursery Nativity followed by opportunity to view learning journals
Thursday 7th December	9.30 am Tigers Nativity followed by opportunity to view learning journals
Friday 8th December	9.30am Penguins Nativity followed by opportunity to view learning journals
Friday 8th December	2.30 pm Nursery Nativity followed by opportunity to view learning journals
Tuesday 12th December	9.15am Christmas Songs performed to Year 1 Parents followed by visits to classrooms 2.15pm Christmas Songs performed to Year 2 Parents followed by visits to classrooms
Wednesday 13th December	Christmas Lunch followed by Pantomime Performance for children
Thursday 14th December	9.15am Christmas Songs performed to Year 2 Parents followed by visits to classrooms 2.15pm Christmas Songs performed to Year 1 Parents followed by visits to classrooms
Friday 15th December	Non Uniform Christmas Jumper Day in return for Donation for Rotary Shoeboxes – look out for further details.
Saturday 16th December	FOWI Pantomime visit to the Alban Arena to see Aladdin
Tuesday 19th December	Last day of term, school finishes at 2.00pm

The children will also have the opportunity to visit the Baptist Church Christmas trails during the week commencing 27th November, times as follows:



DATE	ARRIVAL AT CHRISTMAS TRAIL	CLASS
Monday 27th November	9.20am 10.05am	Oak Willow
Tuesday 28th November	9.20am 10.05am	Nursery Tigers
Wednesday 29th November	10.05am 10.50am 1.20pm	Ash Beech Nursery
Thursday 30th November	9.20am 10.05am 10.50am	Maple Penguins Zebras
Friday 2nd December	10.05am	Chestnut



Please let your class teacher know if you are able to come along and help.

ST ALBANS PLUS SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP AUTUMN NEWSLETTER

St Albans Plus offers support services for children, young people, parents, families and schools in the local Community. Please find their Autumn Newsletter attached.



FOWI NEWS

FROST FAIR: SATURDAY 25th NOVEMBER

The Frost Fair is one of our biggest fundraising events throughout the school year. We hope you are able to join us this year. With less than 2 weeks to go, please find below some information about the Frost fair, that we hope you find useful. This year we have improved the magical experience with Santa, and have some new games, but still have many of the children's favourite stalls.

How can you help?

Jazzy jars are coming home this week – please look out for them, and an email with suggestions of what can be included etc.

We have a number of stalls which we would appreciate donations for. These include **good quality books, nearly new/very good condition toys and good quality soft toys**. Please send your items to school from Wednesday 22nd November.

The children will be having a non-uniform day on Friday 24th November in return for a donation of a **bottle** for the Governors' Bottle Tombola. It doesn't have to be alcoholic!

Class Reps will once again be asking you to volunteer for your **class stall**. Each slot is only 30 minutes long and the children often enjoy volunteering on their stall – they are very welcome to help you! This year FOWI will ensure that there is cover for each stall at the times of the relevant year group performance, so you will not miss the wonderful singing! Please do give your time if possible- it is very much appreciated and helps us to host such a smooth-running fair.

Raffle tickets are coming home this week – please look out in book bags. Please return to the office by **Friday 24th November**.

FROST FAIR 2017 - TOKEN ORDER FORM

If you would like to pre-order any tokens then please complete the attached form and return it with payment to the office in an envelope marked "FOWI FROST FAIR TOKENS" by the end of **Thursday 23rd November**.

Hard copies of the order forms are available from the school office

Payment should be with exact cash or cheques made payable to "FOWI" please.

Tokens will be distributed to children as they leave their classroom on the day before the fair, Friday 24th November.

Please note that individual tokens will also be available for sale on the day, but all tokens are non-refundable, whether you buy them in advance or on the day.

Unfortunately the F1 Simulator will not be able to be at the Fair this year, however the Downforce Racing team have generously donated some fantastic raffle prizes including days out at Brands hatch

Singing performances

The children will once again be singing for us on the stage in the hall. Times for each performance are:

- 12:30pm Nursery & Reception
- 1:15pm Year 1
- 2:00pm Year 2

COMMUNITY NEWS

HERTFORDSHIRE POLICE CHOIR: MONDAY 20th NOVEMBER

Come and join us to listen to an evening of uplifting singing from the wonderful Hertfordshire Police Choir!.

From classical to pop - and anywhere in between - you can be assured of a fantastic evening of light entertainment - and in all aid of a very good cause...

Marshalswick Baptist Free Church, a registered charity, are raising money to develop our premises to provide a disabled ramp and other facilities to benefit the local community. At present, the less able are sent on an extended journey to access the building and we are determined to change that and make the building more accessible.



Please come and join us and support this worthy cause. Free parking is available directly outside, and nearby, and light refreshments will be served. We start at 8pm and, with a 15 minute interval, aim to finish around 9.45pm.

Tickets cost £5 and are available via Eventbrite <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-hertfordshire-police-choir-tickets-39394450863?aff=es2> or from the minister, Graham Clarke, on 01727 857786.

St Saviour's Church
Sandpit Lane, St Albans

**GET READY FOR
ADVENT**

An afternoon of craft and games for children
in school years 3 to 6

Sunday 26 Nov, 2.00-4.00pm

£5 per child or £8 per family

Registration Forms available from the Church porch
or from the Vicarage on 01727 851526

Saturday 18th November
9.30pm – 1.00pm



**Charity Car Wash, Coffee Morning and
Sale in aid of the BBC Children in Need
Appeal**

**Rear Halls, Baptist Church, Sherwood
Avenue**

We are happy to publish details of local events that parents may be interested in. Please note that the school does not endorse or promote any of these events.

We hope you have an enjoyable and safe weekend,
Miss Cockburn and the Staff Team.

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