



# School Newsletter

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2018



Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you enjoyed The Friends Christmas Market on Saturday – it was a fantastic event and it was good to see so many of you there. We'd like to thank the Friends, staff and parents for all their efforts and hard work in organising such a successful event. Thank you for all the donations of cakes and gifts for the stalls too.

**Sarah Porter**

Headteacher

## Key Dates

<b>TUESDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER</b>	<i>BBB &amp; Reception Christmas Disco 3.15-4.15pm</i>
<b>TUESDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER</b>	<i>Yr 3 &amp; 4 Christmas Disco 4.30-5.45pm</i>
<b>WEDNESDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER</b>	<i>Yr 1, 2 &amp; Ruby Christmas Disco 3.15-4.15pm</i>
<b>WEDNESDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER</b>	<i>Yr 5 &amp; 6 Christmas Disco 4.30-5.45pm</i>
<b>WEDNESDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER</b>	<i>Christmas lunch at school</i>
<b>TUESDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER</b>	<i>Bishy Barney Bees Christmas Performance 9.15am</i>
<b>TUESDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER</b>	<i>Christmas Performance Reception classes 2pm</i>
<b>WEDNESDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER</b>	<i>School Immunisation Team re-visit</i>
<b>WEDNESDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER</b>	<i>Christmas Performance Reception classes 9.15am</i>
<b>WEDNESDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER</b>	<i>Christmas Performance Yr1, 2 and Ruby 2pm</i>
<b>THURSDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER</b>	<i>Christmas Performance Yr1, 2 and Ruby 9.15am</i>
<b>THURSDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER</b>	<i>KS2 Christmas Performance 5pm</i>
<b>FRIDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER</b>	<i>KS2 Christmas Performance 1.30pm</i>
<b>FRIDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER</b>	<i>Christmas Jumper Day; optional donation of £1</i>
<b>TUESDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER</b>	<b>LAST DAY OF TERM</b>

### **NSPCC**

Thank you to everyone who returned their sponsor forms for the NSPCC. We raised £93.50.

### **BIKE SAFETY AT SCHOOL**

We would be grateful if you support us by encouraging your children to get off their cycles and push them when on the school premises, to avoid collisions with pedestrians. Thank you.

### **CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY –**

#### **FRIDAY 14<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER**

We will be taking part in the Save the Children's Christmas Jumper Day on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December. Your child can wear their Christmas jumper for the day. An optional donation of £1 can be made to support Save the Children.



**Save the Children**  
CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

### **CHILDREN IN NEED**

Thank you so much for all your donations of cakes and money for our Children in Need day last week. We raised over £300!



**Children in Need**



### **FILLING A SOCK – HEARTSEASE SCHOOL COUNCIL**

A reminder that Heartsease School Council are supporting the Peoples' Picnic by filling a sock (or two) to help the homeless. We need items such as: toothbrush, toothpaste, roll on deodorant, sweets or chocolates, comb, gloves, baby or hand wipes, soap and adults socks (clean!). Please bring in any donations to the office by Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December. Thank you!

### **CHRISTMAS MARKET**

A huge thank you to all The Friends, staff and parents who helped out at the Christmas Market on Saturday. We had a fantastic turn-out and we hope you all enjoyed the day.

### **CHRISTMAS LUNCH – WEDNESDAY 5<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER**

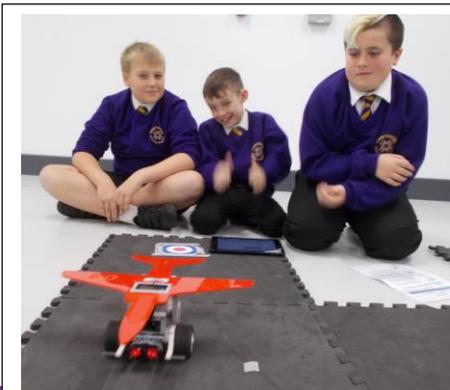
A reminder that Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December is the school Christmas Lunch. If you have not pre-ordered a meal for your child you **MUST** send a packed lunch in with them, as numbers have already been confirmed to the kitchen. Thank you.

### **AVIATION ACADEMY**

On Thursday our Year 6 students were treated to a free STEM day at the Aviation Academy. They had a fun-filled exploratory day run by the RAF. They used Ipads to programme robots, made their own rivets (Shay's was strong enough to hold 108 kilogrammes!), learned about airplanes' thrust and lift, made a parachute to drop an egg, built a skyscraper, and even practised defusing a bomb!

All the activities were completed in groups where teamwork was essential; skills which the pupils can use in their engineering competition. We hope they all enjoyed their goody bags!

Thank you to Mrs Thurston for organising!



*We are very proud of one of our Year 2 pupils, who had the fantastic idea of decorating our Playground Poppy with poppies for Remembrance Day. A really special thought.*



### **INTO OPERA**

Our Year 4's are lucky enough to have been selected to take part in a fantastic new scheme run by Into Opera, where they will turn the well-known children's book, 'Gobolino the Witch's Cat', into an opera, for family audiences to come and watch. This project will run over two years, giving the children the amazing opportunity to take part in the whole creative process, with workshops exploring creating the music, writing, then staging - right up until the first performance, which parents will be invited too. What an exciting time! Look out for more to come!

### **YOUNG JOURNALIST**

Young Journalist Academy is a new government initiative to try and increase literacy levels in children. Heartsease have been privileged to be chosen out of hundreds of schools to embark on the programme. A young journalist will be coming into Year 5 eight times through the year to expose them to all different types of journalistic writing.