

### **Stratford St Mary Primary School**

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Dear Parents,

### Clubs for the Next Half Term

The first half term has very quickly flown by and it almost time to wish you a happy half term. However, I would like to thank you for your continued support towards the school and a big thank you to those who were able to attend our Harvest Assembly and also for your kind food donations.

### **Sharing Assemblies**

The dates for the **shared assemblies** are:

Friday 22nd November – 2.45pm – Swans

Friday 29th November – 2.45pm – Owls

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December – 2.45pm – Woodpeckers

Friday 13th December – 2.45pm – Kingfishers

Kingfishers & Woodpeckers Nativity is Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December @ 2pm & 5.30pm Swans & Owls Carol Service is Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December @ 2pm & 6pm.

If you have any questions about any of the assemblies, please speak to myself or one of the teachers.

### **Dates for the Diary**

## Friday 18th October – Non-Pupil Day

Mon 21st - Fri 25th October – Half Term Week

Saturday 2nd November – Community Firework Event

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November – 3.30pm-7.00pm - Parents Evening

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November – 3.30pm-5.00pm – Parents Evening

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December – Last Day of the Autumn Term.

#### <u>Clubs</u>

Monday – Year 4-6 - Netball Club – Mrs Wyncoll – 3.15pm-4.15pm – 6 weeks

Tuesday – Year 3-6 – Choir towards the O2 concert - Mrs Marshall & Mrs Edwards - 3.15pm – 6 weeks

Wednesday – Year 3-6 - Christmas Craft Club (separate letter has been sent) – 3.15pm – 8 weeks

Thursday – Year 3 – 6 - Art Club – Mrs Thornton - 3.15pm-4.15pm – 6 weeks

Thursday - Year 1 & 2 - Games Club - Miss Jones - 3.15pm-4.15pm - 5 weeks

Friday – Year 1- 6 - Ongoing Football Club – 3.25pm-4.25pm -7 weeks

There are also some lunchtime library activities that children can join in with.

These clubs run at a cost of £2.50 per child per week (except Christmas Craft Club & football). Please note your child's acceptance and attendance at these clubs is behaviour dependent. *Please see the website for dates for these clubs.* 

If you are sending your child a snack, please could this be limited to a small, healthy item such as a box of raisins or banana.

Premier Sport are still offering a breakfast club each morning and Mrs Jarrett is offering an after-school club. Both of these sessions are run separately from the school, however, if you would like more details on either of these, please speak to the school office for contact details.

## FIND charity

This year, your food donations have been given to the Families in Need charity, based in Ipswich. They provide emergency assistance to families or individuals affected by poverty or dispossession throughout the year. This year, we would also like to support this charity with their Christmas Gift Appeal. They would like to collect gifts, unwrapped, but preferably placed into a gift bag – please see the attached list for the preferred items. If you would like to donate a gift, we ask that you write on the gift tag, the age and gender of the intended recipient. We are suggesting that any gifts can be brought into school during the week beginning 25<sup>th</sup> November and they can then be delivered to FIND by the beginning of December.

If you would like any more information about the charity or the Gift Appeal, please do not hesitate to speak to me about this. Thank you.

### Reminders

#### Dinners & Snack

The Universal Free School Dinner and fruit and veg snack is limited to children in Early Years and Key Stage 1. Therefore, if your child/children are in Key Stage 2 and you would like them to have a hot dinner, the cost of these are £2.30 per day; you may also wish to send in a healthy snack for them to eat at break-times.

### <u>Parking</u>

Please could we ask that when parking, you respect our neighbours' driveways and not park across them even for a short amount of time. Also, if you could refrain from parking on the corners of the driveway leading up to the school as this can cause visibility issues with drivers entering and leaving the car-park. Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

We will keep you posted on things happening in school through newsletters, Facebook and the website, however, in the meantime, if you have any questions, please speak to myself or one of the teachers.

With kind regards

Mrs Karen Bilner Headteacher

## I would like my child

to attend (please circle )

Monday – Year 4-6 - Netball Club – £15.00 (6 weeks)

Tuesday – Year 3 – 6 – Choir towards the O2 concert - £15.00 (6 weeks)

Wednesday – Year 3 -6 – Christmas Craft Club - £40.00 (8 weeks)

Thursday - Year 1 - 3 - Games Club - £12.50 (5 weeks)

Thursday – Year 3 - 6 – Art Club - £15.00 (6 weeks)

Friday – Year 1 – 6 – Football Club – already paid (7 weeks)

# All clubs start week beginning 28th October – please check website for dates.

And enclose the correct payment / Parent Mail (this will go live @ 9am on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October)

Signed .....