

St Andrew's Major Church in Wales Primary School

Weekly Newsletter



Dear Parents,

Friday 6th December 2019

This week

Foundation Phase all attended a showing of The Scarecrow's Wedding at Barry Memo on Tuesday. The children enjoyed the performance and the staff reported how well behaved they were!

A huge thank you to the PTA for arranging the Christmas Discos on Wednesday. They were both very well attended and a lot of fun was had by all. We have received over £300 commission from the book fair earlier in the term. I will work with the school council to select books for our new reading and resource room which they will be developing with Mrs Bayliss after Christmas. Thank you very much to those of you who purchased books at the fair.

Arrangements for concerts

Final rehearsals are underway for the concerts next week. Infant costumes will come home on Tuesday. We would like the children come to school dressed in their costumes on the Wednesday morning with their uniform in a bag. If there is a problem with this e.g. coming on the bus, please talk to your child's class teacher. The PTA will be selling hot drinks and second hand uniform before both performances.

The juniors will be walking to St Peter's on Monday and Tuesday for rehearsals and then again on Wednesday for the concert. Please ensure they have a sensible coat as rain is forecast for next week. On Weds, they will be brought back to school to be collected from here. For safeguarding reasons, no child will be allowed to leave directly from the church and I politely ask that you do not approach the staff with this request. A reminder that grandparents are able to join us on the last day of term at 9.30 for Carols Around the Tree.

Please ensure you have your tickets for Nativities and the Carol concert as this enables us to keep track of numbers for health and safety.

Safeguarding

It has been brought to the attention of the local authority that there are social media messages going around about pupils being enticed into cars of older adults outside schools. Apparently, the police are aware and are liaising with the Local Authority. Please note, this is not necessarily an issue at our school but just to keep you informed and to enable you as parents to be vigilant.

Message from Messy Church

On Saturday 7th December we are hosting a Christmas themed messy church at St Peter's Hall at 3-5pm - enjoy arts and crafts activities and party food with us. It would be amazing if any of our older children would like to help out too - happy to take names of anyone who would like to help out. We have a closed Facebook page too - St Peters Mini Church, Dinas Powys.

Message from the School Council

We are participating in Save the Children's Christmas Jumper day this year and will host it on Thursday 19th December. As part of this event The School Council would like the children to come into school on that day wearing a Christmas themed jumper or top. We are asking for £1 donation to raise money for this charity. As shopping for a new Christmas jumper can be expensive we are going to hold a Christmas Jumper swap on Friday 13th December from 3.30pm – 4pm. This will reduce waste and cost for many families. Please send in clean unwanted Christmas jumpers to the office next week and we hope to see you at the sale after school next Friday.

Thank you, Seren and Archie (School Ambassadors)

Clubs

Just to confirm, Mad Science, Rugby and French will take place for the last time next week. We will then send out information for clubs for next term in January.

Dates for the rest of term

Mon 9th - Junior rehearsal at St Peter's / Infant dress rehearsal

Tues 10th - Junior rehearsal at St Peter's / Nativity at 1.30pm

Weds 11th – Infant Nativity at 9.30 / Junior Concert at 1.45

Fri 13th – Choir to Luncheon Club

Mon 16th – Juniors to The Sherman Theatre

Mon 16th – Infant party including all Nursery. (No morning nursery session)

Tues 17th – Junior Party

Tues 17th – January intake Nursery visit

Weds 18th – Christmas Dinner

Thurs 19th – Christmas Jumper Day and Carols Around the Tree at 9.30 (Grandparents only)

Fri 20th – INSET DAY

Mon 6th January – INSET Day

Tues 7th January – Pupils return

Wishing everyone a lovely weekend.

Yours faithfully,



Gen Hallett
Headteacher

