NEWSLETTER



16th November 2017 Talbot First School



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School Newsletter

If you would like to receive an email copy of the newsletter, which is produced on Friday every other week, please let Mrs Everill have your email address.

Parent Governor Election

Letters are going out today inviting parents to stand for election to the school's governing body. Please ask at the school office for a nomination form which should be returned to the school by 9am on 4th December.

TSA Christmas Fair Friday 24th November Village Hall

A reminder that the Christmas Fair is taking place in the village hall on Friday 24th November from 8.30am to 11 am.

<u>Christmas Lunch Thurs 7th</u> <u>Dec and Festive Party Menu</u> Thursday 14th December

Our school Christmas lunch will be served on Thursday 7th December and the Festive Party menu on Thursday 14th December.

We will order these Christmas options for all children who are eligible for free school meals so please let us know if your child would prefer to bring in a packed lunch from home.

We will also order these for all children who have paid for meals for this half term in advance. For everyone else, please let Mrs Everill know if you would like to order either or both of these options by Friday 24th November and send in your payment of £2.20/£4.40.

TSA Movie Night Despicable Me 3 3.30pm to 5.30 pm Friday 1st December School Hall.

The children (Nursery to Year 4) are invited to come to Movie Night. The cost is £3 including a drink and popcorn. Tickets are available on Monday 20th November from Caroline on the playground and in the afternoon at school. Children are welcome to bring a bean bag or cushion to sit on during the film. These will be stored at school during the day. Children can be collected at 5.30pm from the School Hall exit.

Christmas Play "Children of the World" Performance Dates Tuesday 12th December 2pm Wednesday 13th December 6pm

Reception to Year 4 will be perform -ing in this year's Christmas play "Children of the World"

Tickets are now available from the school office for £1 each. Each child performing in the play is eligible for 2 tickets for each performance. Babies and toddlers (including Nursery) do not need a ticket.

Please order your tickets as soon as possible as any unsold tickets will be offered for sale from 4th December. Let us know if you will be wanting any extra tickets when ordering.

Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

The Poppy Appeal collecting box is in the school reception area if anyone would like to make a donation.

After School Clubs

Monday After School Club— Dance Club

<u>Thursday After School Sports</u> <u>Club- Dodgeball—taster session</u> 16th November

Newsletter Dates

1st December 15th December 12th January 26th January 9th February 8th March

Parent Assembly Dates

19th January 16th February 16th March

TSA News



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Firstly, we would like to say a big thank you to the 9 companies (most with links to the school) who have very kindly said that they will each donate £300 which will buy a laptop for the school. This is very generous of you and is very much appreciated by the school and the TSA. This means that we can look at getting the laptops sooner than we had initially planned.

School have informed us that the software to go onto the laptops will be an additional £100 per laptop. As we have so very kindly had 9 laptops donated, the TSA will pay to have the software put onto these laptops. Hopefully, after the Christmas Fair on the 24th November, we will be in a position to look at purchasing 9 laptops plus the software that can go into school as soon as possible.

This means that we only have 3 laptops (plus software for each) left to fundraise for over the year and we will purchase these when funds allow. This is still £1200, so please support fundraising events as much as possible as the sooner we raise the money, the sooner the children can have the remaining 3 laptops J

If you own a business and you would also like to donate (or if you don't own a business and would just like to donate), please speak a member of the TSA about how to do this.

Parents Assembly - It is lovely to have tea, coffee and cakes available again at the parent's assembly. Thank you to Joanna, Jenny B and Gemma R-L for organising and serving. The cakes are lovely and it is nice to have the option of taking cupcakes home too. Tea, coffee and cakes will be available at future parent's assemblies from 2.30, along with take away cakes.

Bag2School - Thank you to those people who brought in bags filled with unwanted clothes and shoes. The Bag2School collection raised £44. We will be doing another collection in March. If you are having a clear out before this, then feel free to bag the clothes/shoes in bin bags and keep hold of them until we have the collection as every bag helps!

Christmas Cards - Thank you for your orders of Christmas cards with your children's designs on. Your orders should be back in school soon. Thank you to Karen for organising.

Upcoming TSA fundraising events

Christmas Fair - The Christmas Fair is at the village hall next week - Friday 24th November from 8.30am until 11am. There are lots of lovely stalls selling a variety of things, including wood craft, bags and purses, Christmas goodies, children's author Liz Hornsby who will be selling and signing her books, JCB items, crafts, pictures, and more. There will also be the Christmas tree lucky dip (this has been very popular with the children before they go to into school!), bottle tombola, coffee/tea/cakes and a raffle. Some local businesses have been very generous and have donated prizes for our raffle, some of these include a voucher for the shop Daisy Chain, a cut and blow dry at Hairline, 2 bottles of wine from The Bulls Head pub in Marchington and a virtual reality headset donated by Tesco. We also have some other prizes for the raffle too - definitely worth buying a few tickets as some great prizes to be won! Please let friends and family know about the Christmas fair so that we can get as many people supporting the event as possible.

Christmas Shop - the Christmas shop will be back in school on Friday 8th December. The children will be able to use a special voucher to purchase a Christmas present then wrap it up and write a tag for a parent, sister, brother, grandparent, dog etc. of their choice. The children have loved doing this in previous years as they get to choose a gift and give it as a surprise present to chosen relatives/friends. The special vouchers will cost £2 each and will be available to purchase on the playground from Jo Ormiston from Wednesday onwards. Multiple vouchers can be purchased if your child wants to buy more than one gift.