



At Deddington Primary School, Earls Lane, Deddington, Oxfordshire, OX15 0TJ,
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Newsletter – November 2012

NEWS

Welcome back after the Autumn holiday. We hope you all had an enjoyable and relaxing week.

This term our topic is Celebration! This will include Fireworks Night, Diwali and of course Christmas. As part of our Christmas celebrations we will be doing a Christmas production with the F1 class on Monday 17th December at 2pm in the school hall. We expect to finish by about 2.45pm and you would be welcome to collect your child then if you wish, or if they usually stay with us until later they can return with us until their normal leaving time. As always we expect this to be an un-missable occasion (bring your hankies!).



We will also be holding two special 'decorations' afternoons on Wednesday 5th and Thursday 6th December from 1.30 to 3.00pm, when parents are invited to join their children at pre-school for a creative afternoon and a Christmas snack. We hope to make the classroom look wonderfully festive on these occasions. These afternoons are open to all PFSU children whether or not they usually attend on these days. However, children who are not normally at pre-school on these days need to be accompanied by an adult.

Still on the subject of Christmas! The F2 (pre-school) children have created their own Christmas card which will be for sale soon. It is very colourful and festive and will be just the thing to send to all your friends and relations this year. We expect to have a proof available for you to see soon.



IMPORTANT NOTICES

Our new fund-raising committee have already been hard at work making plans for the coming year. First off is our **Christmas Fayre and Pamper Evening – Deddington Delights!** What better way to get into the festive mood than meeting friends, a spot of Christmas shopping and a little pampering? We will be holding a Christmas Fayre and Pamper Evening in Deddington Church on the 4th December at 7.30pm. The church will be packed with stalls selling Christmas gifts, food, decorations, cards, crafts and other goodies. There will also be therapists providing massages, facials and nails. Mulled wine and mince pies will be served to get you in the festive mood. It will be a great night and a lovely treat for mums (and dads) on the run up to Christmas! The cost is £3, which will include a raffle ticket. If you can't make the evening there is still chance to get involved by buying a raffle ticket - ask at the nursery and pre-school.

Christmas Hamper Raffle

Following the huge success of the raffle last year we are organising another Christmas Hamper Raffle for 2012. You helped to raise nearly £900 last year – A fantastic amount and a vital part of our fundraising for the year - We would therefore be very grateful if you could donate any of the items on the list below.

Christmas Hamper Items - Champagne, Crackers, Wine, Biscuits, Port, Shortbread, Christmas cake, Christmas Pudding, Mince pies, Brandy Butter, Chocolates, Jams, Nuts, Mustards, Chestnuts, Cranberry sauce, Chutneys and pickles, Olives etc. (items must have use by dates no earlier than January 2013)

We will place a box in the Nursery and the Pre-school on 19th November and would appreciate all donations to be received by the 14th of December so we can prepare the Hampers. As soon as we have the raffle tickets printed we will place a book in each of the children's pockets - please sell as many as you can so we can attempt to reach or even beat the £900 target of last year! The raffle will be drawn at the Deddington Farmers Market on 22nd December. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

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Thank you to all parents who attended the AGM. The outgoing committee were thanked for all their hard work on behalf of the PFSU and Nursery, and a new committee appointed. We welcome them and look forward to working with them.

Please may we remind you that our policy is for children to have water bottles at the PFSU at all times so they can help themselves to a drink when they need it. We do ask for these to contain water not squash or juice, as water has proven benefits for children in terms of concentration and learning. It is fine to give the children squash or juice for lunch.

School admissions. It is **your** responsibility to apply for a place for your child at Primary School for next September. You can apply online at www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/admissions. We have an admissions booklet with school admissions information for all Oxfordshire schools available for reference at the PFSU if you would like to see it. Applications must be made by 15th January 2013, and you will be informed about a school place on 16th April 2013.

Other fund-raising dates for the Diary – more information to follow

22nd February : Go Karting at Formula Fast

2nd March: Jumble Sale

25th April : Quiz at the British Legion

14th July: Summer event



DIARY DATES

- Tuesday 4th December – Christmas Fayre and pamper evening – Deddington Church.
- Wednesday 5th December and Thursday 6th December, 1.30 – 3.00pm – Decorations afternoons.
- Monday 17th December, 2pm – F1 and F2 Christmas show in the school hall.
- Saturday 22nd December – Christmas hamper raffle drawn at Deddington Farmers Market
- 15th January 2013 – closing date for school applications
- 16th April 2013 – offer day for school places

TERM DATES

2012-2013

Term 2: Monday 5th November – Friday 21st December 2012
Please note we finish at 2pm on 21st December.

Term 3: Tuesday 8th January – Friday 8th February 2013

Term 4: Monday 18th February – Thursday 28th March 2013

Term 5: Monday 15th April – Friday 24th May 2013
(plus bank holiday Monday 6th May 2013)

Term 6: Tuesday 4th June – Monday 22nd July 2013

CONTACTS

Pre-School Staff:

Rachel O'Connell – PFSU Manager
Gina Halliburton – PFSU / DVN Operations Manager
Lucy Squires – PFSU Deputy Manager
Emma Ponton – Senior Early Years Practitioner
Keary Millard – Early Years Practitioner
Lauren Parkinson - Early Years Assistant
Valerie Cavallaro – Early Years Trainee

PFSU and Nursery Committee:

Kate Oldroyd (Chair)
Alex Elvin (Treasurer)
Bev Hamblet-Bowes (Secretary)
Sam Brown, Paul Onions, Rachel Gruber, Emma Noon,
Juliet Owens, Rachel Carr, Sharon Greenwood, Catarina Feria-Walsh, Vaughan Jones, Jack Dent, Jane Maharry,
Victoria Thomas,

REMINDERS

Any matters concerning payments or your child's hours please speak to Gina. Invoice payments not made by the due date will incur a £20 late payment fee. Please remember there is a late pick-up charge.

We are open from 8.30am – 3.30pm, Monday to Friday.

PFSU phone number: (01869) 337484

Don't forget to check out our website:
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