



Whitehorse Manor Infant School

Newsletter Tuesday 18th December 2012

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Dear parents and carers,

Many thanks to all of you who came to our Christmas production and donated money to 'LUPUS UK' which is the charity we are supporting this year. We raised £240! I hope that you enjoy the festive season with your family. I wish you all a very merry Christmas and a happy new year and look forward to seeing you in 2013.

New uniform opportunities: We are keen to encourage pupils to look smart for school and thank parents for ensuring that their children are properly dressed each day. I would like to remind you that if children wear boots to school then they need to change into black school shoes when they arrive. From the new year there will be two new items of uniform available. These are a black 'Pegasus' baseball cap (which will be the only baseball cap that children will be permitted to wear) and a new black 'Pegasus' coat. The coat, which is optional, is waterproof, with a hood, a reversible fleece lining and represents very good value. These items will be available directly from the manufacturer via a link on our website from the beginning of next term.



Mufti Day: The last day of term, Thursday 20th December, will be a non uniform day. The children are welcome to wear their own clothes on this day. We are not asking for any money for this, but if parents want to make a donation to LUPUS UK then the collection box is in the office.

Medicines in school: Please remember that only medicines that have been prescribed by a doctor, with a label from the doctor on the bottle or box as evidence of this, can be administered in school. Unfortunately, any medicines bought 'over-the-counter' need to be given at home, and cannot be given by school staff during the day. If your doctor thinks that your child has an on-going medical need for paracetamol, cough medicine and the like, they may write you a prescription. These are free of charge for children under 16 years of age.

Extreme weather warnings: We need to remind parents that in the event of extreme weather such as deep snow, it may be necessary to shut the school. We will always endeavour to keep the school open but sometimes, if staff cannot get in to school or the site becomes unsafe, it may be necessary to close. We will inform parents of any closure by sending a text and by updating the school's website. Please ensure that your mobile number for the 'text to parents' service is up-to-date. Parents can also check for school closure details at <http://map.lqfl.org.uk/opencheck>

Changes to club registration: After school activity clubs for children in year one and two will now be allocated on a 'first come, first served basis'. Please look out for the separate letter about how to register your child for a club next term from Mrs Christopher.

Parental survey: We are always keen to consult parents and carers and ask that you complete a questionnaire which is now available on our website or at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/K5K7T9V>. If you do not have access to a computer then you can come into the office and complete the survey in school.

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Key dates:

Thursday 20th December Last day of term
Monday 7th January INSET day - school closed
Tuesday 8th January Children return to school at 8:45am