

Whitehorse Manor Infant School

Newsletter Friday 9th December 2022



Dear parents and carers,

Thank you very much for all your kind donations for Harvest. This year, we supported the food bank at St Alban's Church, a very worthwhile charity that helps local families in need. We also supported three other charities this autumn term, raising £220 for Macmillan, £148 for Jeans for Genes and £215 for Children in Need. Thank you for your generosity.

This term, year two have visited Hampton Court Palace to support their work about The Tudors and year one went to the Science Museum to support their topic work about the moon and space. Christmas concerts have taken place for all classes. All the singing was brilliant and really got us all in the mood for Christmas! Our year two choir really enjoyed the opportunity to sing their Christmas songs at Tesco's. Thank you to all that supported this event.

There will be a half price book fair and tombola to raise funds for school. This will be held on Monday 12th, Thursday 15th and Friday 16th December before and after school. Hope to see you there.

We are holding a PAT Poetry Competition for years 1 and 2. Please follow the link to the poster, which gives more information about what this involves. <https://www.pegasusacademytrust.org/media/PAT-Winter-Poetry-Competition.pdf>

For all parents who may wish to improve their English language, we have attached a link to a variety of courses that can be accessed locally. Several of these are free or subsidised.

<https://www.pegasusacademytrust.org/media/English-language-classes-.docx.pdf>

Remember to keep checking the website www.pegasusacademytrust.org and please ensure the school holds the most up to date mobile number for you as we use this to text important messages to you. We only send one text per family.

The first day of the new term is **Wednesday 4th January**. I hope that you all have a restful Christmas break and best wishes for the New Year ahead.

Reminders:

PE kits

On PE days the children are expected to wear their PE kits to school. They should still wear their school sweatshirt or jumper over their PE t-shirt. Now that the weather is getting colder, a pair of plain black jogging bottoms would be preferable to shorts. Please do not send your child in with non-uniform track suits.

Stud earrings are the only jewellery, which can be worn at any time in school. 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.

Punctuality and attendance

The school opens at 8:45am for reception to year two to allow children to filter in from this time and start their early work. Any child who arrives after **9:00am** is late for school and must be brought to the office where the lateness can be noted. Children should be collected promptly at 3:15pm by an adult who is known to us. If anyone different is going to collect your child, please let us know. We will not let a child leave school with an adult we do not know. If your child is absent from school, please inform the office as soon as possible by phone or email whabsence@pegasusacademytrust.org

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