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NEWSLETTER Friday 22nd November 2019

CHILDREN IN NEED

We had such a fab day~ so many spots and stripes, an invigorating workout and then an amazing cake sale! Thank you to the School Council for doing such a great job of organising everything and for baking such a lovely array of cakes and cookies... I felt really very proud of you all, especially the older members who included the younger ones so beautifully. I can announce that we raised a fantastic £152.85. Great job everyone! (Mrs Field)



CLEARING UP SCHOOL GROUNDS

Justina and I would like to say thank you to everyone who turned up last week after

school to sweep the playground, empty the flower beds and generally start the tidy up in the school grounds. I think you'll agree, we made a good start!

FOLS~ from Vicky

Firstly a note to say **THANK YOU** to all of those who supported the movie night at the school, there was some lovely feedback and hopefully everyone who attended enjoyed themselves.



Now onto the next event.....**CHRISTMAS FAIR.....the 6th December is fast approaching and we could really use some extra support in making the event successful and fun for all.**

There is a poster in reception where you can sign up to offer to help in either setting up/clearing up or

manning a stall, you won't be on your own, there will be other lovely parents there to support so please help if and where you can. Without the parental support

unfortunately certain things would not be able to go ahead. Feel free to also contact us on Facebook or email FOLS@outlook.com.

Father Christmas will be making a guest appearance – Information on how to pre-book your slot will be going out soon

Raffle tickets – We have some amazing prizes in this year's raffle, and we will be sending raffle ticket books out in book bags for you to sell to friends and family on behalf of FOLS over the next few days

Posters – We will start distributing posters to advertise the event soon.

Other support – In order to make sure the event is a success we will be asking for some specific items via letters in book bags they are likely to be items for the tombola, bottles or cakes.

Teddies – There will be a collection point in reception for any of your unused teddies– these will all be kindly washed and then used for the teddy tombola

NATIVITY COSTUMES

We have a growing collection of costumes donated by parents for parents to borrow for the nativities. If you would like to see if there is one suitable for your child, please have a look in the box in the reception area of school (by the book shelves) and make a note of anything you borrow.

There are not costumes for all the parts as this is based on what people have donated in the past, but please use anything you can, return them after the nativities (back in the same box please) and we would be grateful for donations of any costumes that you no longer need so as to reduce waste and help out other parents in future - thank you to Anna Hattersley for organizing and storing these for the year!

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS FOR CHILDREN IN OUR COMMUNITY ~ a message from Philippa Hutton (Rafa's mum, Class 1)

"Reverend Tom, our local vicar, has told me that they are planning a Christmas party in Buckfastleigh for the less fortunate families in our community, on 14th December. I would like to try to organise some presents to be sent down for the children. I'm therefore going to arrange a collection via school, for anyone who would like to contribute. Obviously, I appreciate that Christmas is an expensive time for everyone, so please don't feel obliged to take part, I just thought it would be a nice gesture if we were able to contribute to making the party a success.

- Spend between £7-10 so that the children feel equally treated
- Wrap your present in Christmas paper
- Label it to indicate who would ideally receive the present (eg. Boy, age 6) and add a small Christmas greeting
- Bring your present to school drop off on Thursday 12th December to reception hallway where I will be to collect our offerings and take them on to the party organisers Buckfastleigh

If anyone would also like to contribute any presents for the 1-4 age group then please feel free to do so in the same way"

If you feel you would like to support please contact Philippa via the school office or Class 1. Thank you.

SCHOOL VALUES

We have begun our focus on the value of responsibility this week. We are especially proud of our Eco Council and School Council and how they carry out their roles of responsibility ~ they really do make a difference!

CHILDREN'S ETHOS GROUP

The children have been busy with Mrs Neville, thinking about Christmas messages and a time for giving.

Landscape~ ensuring the keys to unlock the very best of us!

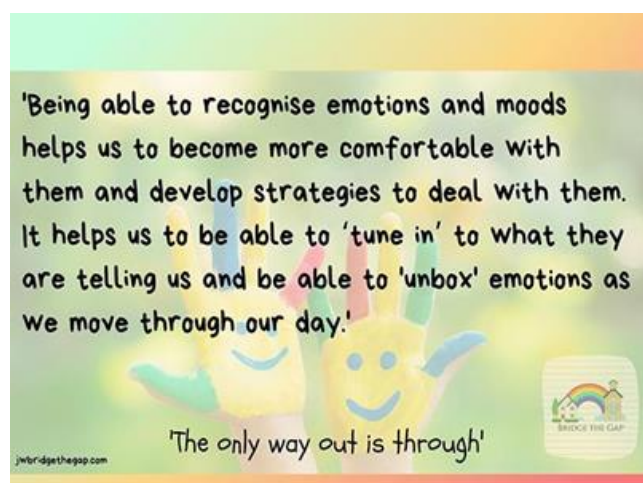
Rev Tom will be holding a Christingle service on Tuesday 3rd December. Please ensure children bring oranges to school on Monday 2nd December to enable them to make their Christingles, we will provide all the other parts required to make these. Our Y3 & Y4 girls would like to say a big thank you for contributions to reverse advent calendar ~ the collections are continuing to go well.

29th NOVEMBER 'Global Climate and Eco Day at Landscope' You may be aware that a global school strike is due to take place next Friday; however, we believe that education is the key to change and that every lesson shapes lives. So, we are taking action in a different way, by holding a 'Global Climate and Eco Day' on the 29th November. Schools within our Trust have planned a variety of age-appropriate activities designed to educate our pupils about the important issues we all face. Here at Landscope our Eco Committee will be launching their Eco Code, Class computers will be off, lights will be off and Linda will prepare a lunch with minimal use of kitchen equipment. Lessons will be devoted to eco-awareness, climate change and how we can have an impact both collectively and as individuals. All children will be encouraged to make a pledge, following the idea that small changes can make a big difference.



FIVE WAYS TO WELLBEING: TOP TIPS Number 3 ~ Take Notice

In a world where we all have busy lives, it is so important to stop and take notice of our surroundings, to just 'be'. To appreciate our environment, to use all of our senses to do this. Ask questions when out on walks, visits to the seaside etc: what can you hear/see/smell? Notice the 'extraordinary in the ordinary', help your child to feel thankful. Gratitude is such an important part of our wellbeing. Encourage your child to notice their feelings and support them to process their emotions in a positive way!



SONG MACHINE

Thanks to Una McGovern for offering to support and lead Song Machine for KS2. They have been busy practising for their 'gig' during the school fair and they have also been asked to sing at the Ashburton late night market on 5th December at 5:30. Do come and support Una and the children~ they've been working hard and are sounding great!

STAFFING NEWS

Sadly, due to personal circumstances, Miss Laura Trist will be leaving us at the end of this term. She has made a big impact in such a short time and we wish her well for the future!

The interview process is well under way and I aim to have a new teacher in place by the end of next week.



SAFEGUARDING & ATTENDANCE

Designated Safeguarding Lead for Landscope is Mrs Ryder. Mrs Anna Neville is our Safeguarding Governor: 01803 762656 . If you are concerned about a child in our school please speak to one of us.

Attendance: If your child is unable to come to school for any reason, please ring the office to let us know by 9am. Thank you.

Attendance: (Our school target is 96.8%)		Number of sessions missed per class: (session = a whole morning or afternoon)
Whole school	96.45 %	
Class 1	98.15%	5
Class 2	97.22%	13
Class 3	93.80%	30
Class 4	97.58%	10
Well done to class 1!		

COMING UP over the next two weeks...

Friday 29 th November	'Global Climate and Eco Day at Landscope'
Monday 23 nd December	Please ensure your children bring oranges to school to make Christingles
Tuesday 3 rd December	Christingle service at St Matthews 2:30, everyone welcome
Wednesday 4 th December	Fire safety talks for clases 2 and 4
Thursday 5 th December	5:30 Song machine performing at Ashburton late night market
Friday 6 th December	FOLS Christmas fair 3:30-5:00

And finally...

MRS JESSEP

It was exactly a year ago that I wrote to you about Mrs Jessep going off on long term sick leave. She is now being cared for by Rowcroft Hospice. The staff and I would like to ask you to support a Christmas Jumper or festive sparkle day (£1 donation) on our Christmas lunch day (18th Dec), in addition, all retiring collections at our Christmas performances this year will be in aid of Rowcroft. Paula gave an amazing 26 years to this school and we feel it is fitting to support Rowcroft for her in this way~ we hope you will too! (We have the support of all the Trust Schools and so we should be able to raise a great sum for such a worthy cause!)

Thank you, as always, for your support!

Have a good weekend.

Jill Ryder.