

Russell Street School Newsletter

November 2019

Charity Events

I would like to thank all families who supported our Harvest collection for the Food Bank and our Poppy Appeal. We had a positive response to both; £318.53 was raised for the Royal British Legion.

Values Education

Our theme for Relationships and Health Education, this half term, is 'Getting on and Falling Out'. We are focusing on the value of **Thoughtfulness**. You can support this element of our curriculum at home by noticing and celebrating thoughtful behaviour. This theme included last week's anti-bullying week.

School Admissions

Nursery and Year 2 parents:

Please ensure that you have submitted your school applications by the **15**th **January** deadline. If you do not make this date your application will be delayed for a second admissions round which reduces your chance of being allocated a school of your choice.

Trim Trail

In wet weather, the Trim Trail at the side of school is wet. This does make it slippery. Children are only allowed on the equipment when supervised by an adult. Supervising adults must take responsibility for their child's safety on this equipment.

For their own safety, children must not climb on rails or railings around school.

Party Invitations and Sweets

We are not able to hand out party invitations or birthday sweets. Sweets should also not be handed out on the playground; many parents prefer to have control of their child's sweet consumption. As an alternative, you may like to buy a book or game for your child's class. In which case, please see the class teacher to arrange this.

Leave of Absence

Please note that:

- applications for absence for medical appointments need to be supported with an appointment letter
- The end of the school day is the same on Fridays as any other day. Children should not be leaving school early on Fridays

Holiday Club

Mr Cooksley is running Sports Activity Clubs on January 2nd, 3rd, and 6th 2020. Contact scsports0@gmail.com to book sessions.

End of Term Events

Please see the calendar below for dates and times of next half term's events.

Stony Lights

Children in Year 1 & 2 are invited to join us in St Mary and St Giles Church at **9:50am this Saturday**. At 10am, we will be singing a short preview of our concert songs.

<u>Year 1 and 2 Concerts</u> are held at St Mary and St Giles Church. Please note that Moles and Newts Concert is in the afternoon this year. The Church has plenty of space so all are welcome.

<u>The Reception Concerts</u> are held in the school hall which can accommodate no more than 4 guests per child, including children.

No food or drink in either venue, thank you. The PA will be selling raffle tickets and there will be a collection for The National Autistic Society.

<u>Discos</u> are fund raising events run by the teachers. The money raised contributes to school events; such as, the Indian Dance Workshops. They cost £9 for three (a disco each term) or £3.50 each, payable by Parentmail.

The **Reception Disco** is on the Reception Party Day so children are allowed to be out of uniform for that day. Children attending the disco can be picked up at 4pm prompt from their classroom doors.

The **Year 1&2 Disco** is on Wednesday 18th December. Children will need to wear uniform to school and to bring a change of clothes for the disco. Pick up is from the playground as usual.

Wrap Around Club children will be collected by Wrap Around Club staff

PA Show

The PA have organised a show for the children on the last day of term. This is a fund raising event. Any children who do not attend the show have alternative fun activities.

Christmas Cards

In December, there will be post boxes in the Reception and Nursery shared areas, and in the KS1 building corridor. To aid delivery, cards will need to have the **recipient's name and their class** on the envelope. Class lists will be available from teaching staff.

Children should be in school uniform except for their party day and for Christmas Jumper Day.

Please keep our children safe: park in local car parks and walk to school!



Dates for your diaries

See also: www.russell-street-school.co.uk

The Parents' Association have information on Facebook (Please note that this is not a school site)

30-11-19	Stony Lights
	KS1 singing in the Church 10am
	PA stall in Stony
2-12-19	Last week of clubs
6-12-19	Christopher Columbus visiting KS1
12-12-19	PA Christmas Fair 3pm – 4pm
13-12-19	PA Cake Stall 3pm
16-12-19	Badgers and Owls Concert 10am Church
	Moles and Newts Concert 2:15pm Church
17-12-19	Squirrels Concert 9:30am School Hall
	Foxes Concert 2:15pm School Hall
18-12-19	Hedgehogs & Kingfishers Concert 10am Church
	Otters Concert 2:15pm School Hall
	Nursery Party Day
	KS1 Disco 3pm – 4pm
19-12-19	KS1 and Reception Party Day
	Essence Christmas Lunch
	Reception Disco 3pm-4pm
20-12-19	Christmas Jumper Day (donations to Save the Children)
	PA Show
	Last day of term

TUESDAY 7th January 2020 Back to School

15-1-20	Open Morning 9:30am to 11am
20-1-20	Science Week
23-1-20	Professor Bubbleworks visiting Y1 and 2
27-1-20	Winter in the Park Week
29-1-20	Chinese Dragon Dance workshops for YR, Y1, Y2
12-2-20	Parents' Evening 3:30pm to 6pm
13-2-20	Parents' Evening 3:30pm to 7:30pm
14-2-20	End of Half Term