

Pottery News January 2019

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What's Happened

We had a very busy end of term with Winter Fair, parties, infant plays and the church service. The church service collection raised £400 for the NSPCC, which they were very pleased with, thank you.

I would like to thank you all once again for your continued support with and at all of our events.

Digital Leaders

Following an application and interview process Mr. Boardman is pleased to announce the following children as digital leaders in our school for 2019:

Emily A, Dougie M, Hannah O, Ignacy D, Emma F, Eva E, Leon F, Gracie E, Amy H, Vijay O, Isaac H and Sophie S.

<u>Clicker 7 licences</u> for reception pupils (who have no siblings in school). Coming out this week will be a licence for parents to load onto a PC/laptop that children use at home. This is the software we use to write on PCs at school and will read the sentence back to the child once having put a full stop. It also gives alternative spelling when words are misspelt. All Pottery families have a license. If you have lost yours, please ask in the office.

Specific Appeals

If having a post-Christmas sort out of books, games, puzzles, toys and DVDs then please donate those that are of good quality to our school **Bring and Buy sale:** 14th February. This is organised and run on the day by our school council. Donations c/o the school office from now please.

The PSA are having a bag2school collection of unwanted clothing, shoes, curtains etc so please hold onto items until the date has been confirmed.

<u>Pottery Out of School Scheme</u> (POSS) began their breakfast club 2 years ago 7.30 - 8.45am on our site. If you need a place telephone: 07973 850678.

Diary for January

Parent Meetings in the hall 9.00am:
Tue 8th January year 5 & 6
Wed 9th January Reception
Thurs 10th January year 1 & 2
Friday 11th January year 3 & 4
10th Jan junior and 11th Jan infant
fitness testing days.

Monday 14th January PSA meeting 7.30 at The Greyhound.

Tuesday 15th **January** Choir are at Sheffield Young Voices event.

Friday 18th January is the end of our ART week and parent/grandparents are invited to come and see the children's artwork. Infant classes will be open from 2.45pm with juniors open from 3pm.

Monday 28th January is the PSA film club

Special Mentions

To Morrisons for donating 200 cakes and packets of crisps towards refreshments for the Christmas Parties

To Erin T (year 5) who missed the Christmas Child shoebox appeal so decided to ask for donations to make up shoeboxes for the elderly who might not have presents this Christmas. Erin and family distributed over 260 of these across Belper. Well done Erin, an entrepreneur in the making.

SAFETY (TIPS/ HINTS and ADVICE):

Internet /Social Media Safety

At http://www.net-aware.org.uk/ you can find lots of advice. You can also search for information about a site, a game or an app on this site. So, if your child starts talking about an app or game and you are not sure what this is, you can enter the name of it on this site's search facility and it will give you all the detail you need to enable you to make safe choices about its use.

First Aid

On the 7^{th} December our teaching assistants and midday supervisors updated their first aid training with the Red Cross.

The trainer suggested an app that parents/children can have on their phones which is useful and can be accessed at: https://www.redcross.org.uk/first-aid/first-aid-apps