#### 21 November 2016

## Wellesley Primary School

#### **INSET DAY REMINDER**

Please remember that school will be closed to pupils on Tuesday 3rd January as we are having one of our staff training days. Children return to school on Wednesday 4th January

#### ABBOTSWOOD CHRISTMAS EVENT

Please see attached flier re the annual Christmas event at Abbotswood precinct.

Our Christmas Choir will be carol singing at 5.30pm.

#### **PARENTS EVENING**

Many thanks to all parents who attended our Parents Evening last week. We had nearly 100% attendance which is fantastic - it is so important that we share information with you about how your children are doing at school and also how you can support them at home.

#### STAY and LEARN Sessions

Thank you to the parents who joined us for our KS1 Maths Stay and Learn Sessions last week. The children thoroughly enjoyed sharing their learning and we hope it will help you support your children at home.

#### **CLASS ASSEMBLIES**

Many thanks to the children in Years 2, 4 and 6 who have shared their learning in class services.

Y2 acted out Little Red Riding Hood; shared some brilliant diary extracts about the Great Fire of London and sang a beautiful song.

Y4 shared their interpretation of Theseus and the Minotaur and told us some fascinating facts about Greece. They also celebrated their growth mind-sets when faced with challenges and the progress they have made.

Y6 shared some wonderful writing they had done based on their class book, 'The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe. They also shared work from different areas of the curriculum linked to the story such as Art, DT and Science.

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#### ANTI-BULLYING WEEK

Last week we have participated in National Anti-Bullying Week by thinking about what bullying behaviour looks like. We have talked about deciding if actions are rude, mean or bullying and remembering that bullying is behaviour that happens Several Times on Purpose (STOP). We have also thought about how one kind word can change someone's day.

Please talk to your children about this and see what they have learned.

#### **CHILDREN IN NEED**

Thank you to everyone who has supported us today with Children in Need – everyone looked fantastic in their pjs and spots! We also very much enjoyed the activities arranged by the School Council. Many thanks to both our School Council and Mrs Harding-Adams for organising this very worthwhile event.

#### **SPORTS LEADERS**

Our Sports Leaders have begun their weekly activities with classes. This term they are inventing active sports, such as shuffle tag rugby! These sessions are much enjoyed by the children whilst promoting being active and using our sporting values.

#### Head Teacher's Awards

Congratulations to the following children who have earned a Head Teacher's Award:-

EYFS – Ruby made an amazing dinosaur from shape tiles; Isla P and Evie for writing their whole names without a name-card; Ethan and Eddie for super sounds as well as Finley for great counting.

Y1 – Isla S, Brooke, Annabella, Jasmeen, Jed, Mya and Frankie, Faith and Charlotte for fabulous writing about Bob the Man in the Moon as well as Lola, Isla S (again) and Frankie (again) for super maths.

Y2 – Lacey for a wonderful recount; Riley for a positive learning attitude.

#### **Cold Weather-Wear!**

Please can you make sure that children have coats in school from now on. As it gets colder we will not let them out to play without one. Also if children bring hats and gloves can you please ensure that they are named. Thank you.

#### **Book Fair**

Thank you to all who supported our Book Fair recently - we raised £182 to spend on books for our new library.

#### **Cake Donations**

We would be very grateful to receive cake donations for the Christmas Fair—I appreciate there is lots to do at this time of year, but our cake stall is always popular and raises much needed funds for the school. The fair is on Friday 2nd December so please send them in Thursday or first thing Friday so that they can be priced up ready for the stall. Thank you.

### **Diary Dates**

Thursday 24th November: Y3 Class Assembly – 9.15am Thursday 24th November: Y3 Parents invited in for lunch Thursday 1st December: Y5 Class Assembly – 9.15am Thursday 1st December: Y5 Parents invited for lunch

Friday 2nd December: Christmas Fair 5pm

Tuesday 6th December: KS1 Christmas Production for parents— 1.45pm

Wednesday 7th December: KS1 Christmas Production for Grandparents only - 1.45pm

Wednesday 7th December: KS1 Christmas Production – 5.30pm

Friday 9th December: FOWS Christmas Secrets Room and Raffle Draw (2.30pm)

Monday 12th December: EYFS Christmas Play – 2pm Tuesday 13th December: Christmas Jumper Day Tuesday 13th December: EYFS Christmas Play 9.15am

Tuesday 13th December: Christmas Dinner

Wednesday 14th December: KS2 Christmas Party

Thursday 15th December: EYFS and KS1 Christmas Party Friday 16th December: Carol Service 9.15am (all welcome) Friday 16th December: break up for Christmas holidays Tuesday 3rd January: school closed for INSET Day Wednesday 4th January: start of Spring Term for pupils