

Machanhill Primary Newsletter



Happiness, Achievement, Respect, Knowledge

November 2023

Dear Parents/ Carers, **Children In Need**

Last Friday we helped our Pupil Council members raise funds for Children in Need. All the children had the opportunity to go on a Pudsey obstacle course. We raised £85.00. Thank you to everyone who donated.

Parent Council Christmas Fayre

Our parent council are hosting the annual Christmas Fayre on Friday 1st December from 6-8pm in the school hall. There are lots of activities planned; bouncy castles, visit Santa's grotto, home baking, raffles, tombola, recycled toy stall and much more. Donations can be sent into school any day between now and then. Raffle tickets are in your child's bag. Please try to sell them to friends and family. **Any tickets not sold should be returned to the school office.** Thank you.

Christmas Parties

Christmas parties will be held in stages and will begin with P6&7 on Friday 15th December 2023. Children should come to school wearing their outfit for the party. A list of dates for all classes is included.

Christmas Carol Café

We are hosting a whole school Christmas Café for family and friends on two dates. Families will be able to purchase two tickets initially for one date. Tickets will cost £2 each and include refreshments. If there are spare tickets left, we will be delighted to offer these for sale at a later date. At our concert we will also be selling Christmas Crafts handmade by the children. All money raised will be added to school fund to supplement trips and pay for party treats.

Inclement Weather

Now that the weather has turned, and we move away from milder weather please ensure your children have a warm jacket on for playing outside. All hats, scarfs and gloves should have your child's name on them so that we can easily return them.

Gym Shoes

Now that we are once again experiencing wet weather, please send your child with indoor shoes. These should be black gym shoes or trainers with non-marking soles. All children are expected to change into indoor shoes that should be left in school.

Uniform

We are proud of our school uniform and encourage the children to wear uniform daily, including in inclement weather. All children should wear a pale blue shirt and tie or pale blue polo shirt with the school sweatshirt / cardigan or royal blue jumper. Skirts and trousers should be grey. Black or navy leggings and jogging trousers are not school uniform.

Contact Details

Please ensure that all contact details are updated on Parent Portal so that we can contact you in the event of an emergency. Parents of nursery children should notify their child's key worker.

Book Bug Events

As part of our reading programme we are running 3 workshops for parents and their child on Tuesday 28th November 2023. There is opportunity to read, discuss and participate in activities around books. Parents of children in P1-3 are invited to attend at the times listed on the next page.

Toys / Football Cards

Please ask children to refrain from bringing these items to school as many are getting lost or broken.

Important Dates are on the next page.



Important Dates

- Thurs 23rd Nov - Rag Bag Collection Day. Bring unwanted garments for the clothing bin.
- Tues 28th Nov - Book Bug Events for P1-3
P1 - 9.15-10.15am
P2 - 11.15-12.15am Parents of children in P1-3 are invited to attend.
P3 - 1.45-2.45pm
Christmas Fayre prep for parent council members 6pm
- Thurs 30th Nov - Swimming begins for P6 children in Room 10
Room 9 visiting the local Library.
- Fri 2nd Dec - Christmas Fayre 6-8pm everyone welcome.
- Tues 12th Dec - Christmas Carol Café 9-11am school hall tickets £2 each
- Wed 13th Dec - Christmas Carol Café 9-11am school hall tickets £2 each
- Thur 14th Dec - Christmas Lunch - please complete this form to order lunch
<https://forms.gle/AgGMss9ww9FSHWU89>
- Fri 15th Dec - P6&7 party
- Mon 18th Dec- P4 & P5 party
- Tues 19th Dec - P2 & P3 party
- Wed 20th Dec - P1 party
- Thur 21st Dec - Nursery party (pm)
- Fri 23rd Dec - Christmas Jumper Day / Dress Down
Finish 2.30pm

School re-opens following the Christmas break on Monday 8th January 2024 at 9am.

