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Newsletter 12





Autumn Term Academic Year 2013

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Friday 6 th December	Budleigh Late Night Shopping
Tuesday 10 th December	Christmas Dinners
Wednesday 11 th December	Christmas Dinners
Wednesday 11 th December	KS1 Xmas church rehearsal
Thursday 12 th December	Christmas Dinners
Thursday 12 th December	KS1 Xmas play 10.00am St Peter's Church
Saturday 14 th December	Breakfast with Santa 9.00am St Peter's Church
Monday 16 th - Friday 20 th	No Clubs this week
Monday 16 th December	KS2 Xmas rehearsal St Peter's Church all day
Monday 16 th December	KS2 Xmas concert 7.00pm St Peter's Church
Monday 16 th December	Christmas Party - Foundation (Nursery and Reception - including Rec in
	R/1)
Tuesday 17 th December	Christmas Party - KS1 (All Year 1&2 from BC/ES, CAH and JM/PH classes)
Wednesday 18 th December	Christmas Party - Year 3&4
Thursday 19 th December	Christmas Party - Year 5&6
Thursday 19 th December	9.30am Christmas church service, St Peter's Church
Friday 20 th December	Last day of Autumn Term - 3.30pm School closes for Xmas break
Tuesday 24 th December	St Peter's Church Christingle Service 5-6pm
Tuesday 7 th January 2014	Start of the Spring Term

Collective Worship
Glory to God in the highest heaven
and peace on earth to those with
whom God pleased.

Dear Parent/ Carer

I hope you enjoyed the **Christmas Fayre** held at the school last Friday. There was a terrific relaxed atmosphere and I should like to **congratulate the SPSA** on a wonderful and successful evening which has begun the 2013 Festive season off to a flying start. Provisional figures showed that £1741 pounds was taken with £320 to be donated to the Typhoon disaster fund which leaves £1421 raised for the SPSA to spend on the school. Many thanks for your support and generosity.

Thank you too for the continued donations of food and toiletries to **the Budleigh/ Exmouth Larder**. Each week more is being given which is very impressive. If parents could donate plastic bags or strong cloth bags for distribution, Exmouth Larder would be very grateful.

Today I was delighted to be presented with a cheque for US\$90,000 from Exeter-based, investment casting company Alcoa Howmet and the Alcoa Foundation. The grant will allow for us to pursue our project of an Outdoor Science Garden to include a

classroom, pond and specialist outdoor science equipment to enable novel teaching of the Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematical (STEM) curriculum. I am delighted with the investment of this company in the school as all ages and abilities will be able to explore, measure and investigate science and other STEM subjects in a creative way. Alongside this, forty two solar panels will be installed to generate electricity and teach the children about renewable technology and the importance of environmental sustainability. Planning permission has now been granted by East Devon and so work will begin on the panels before the end of term and immediately on the garden.



On Thursday work will begin on the installation of the new central heating boiler in the boiler room accessed at the road-side side of the school away from the children. Access to the main entrance will be restricted on Thursday and Friday for push chairs, There will be some asbestos removal but this will be carried out following strict controls by a firm of professional removers and children will not come into contact with the substance. The installation work will take at least another week and we will need to be patient. Free standing heaters will be used to provide heat in the rooms affected. Carousel have been informed, who have responsibility to communicate this information to their clients.

Please ensure that **library books** are returned to school by the end of term. Thank you. I am also grateful for the 3 recent donations of good quality clean books from families. It is good to recycle them in this way.

I am concerned that SALT content in some packed lunches is still quite high especially in certain processed foods when full packets of savoury biscuits are given. Please check carefully or reduce the amount.

Parent Questionnaire

Thank you to all 134 of you who returned a questionnaire giving your views. We also had lots of very constructive comments and written feedback which I assure you is read and considered thoroughly. I will analyse and collate the outcomes of the questionnaire over the Christmas holidays and share them in January. It will then be discussed fully, including how data compares to previous years, at Parent Forum on Monday 20th January which all are welcome to attend.

The exciting news is that I will now stop bugging people on the playground for questionnaires! Also, our winners of the draw can claim their prize from the office from tomorrow by bringing in the winning ticket. The 10 winning tickets drawn are as follows: 606, 633, 671, 657, 675, 622, 627, 677, 629, 620.

If a prize is not claimed by next Wednesday morning we will re-draw and issue new numbers in the newsletter.

Mr Perkins

Early Morning pre whistle

This morning, once again, there were 2 injuries due to children playing running games in the playground before school. This takes staff away from doing important morning duties and is also not a good start to a child's day at school and affects their ability to learn at the start of the day. A reminder again that this time is not a playtime and children are to wait sensibly talking with friends until the whistle is blown. Mr Elliott and Mr Perkins are there to be able to engage with parents and the children remain parent responsibility until 8:55. Again we suggest that if your child finds this difficult, arrive at school closer to morning whistle being blown.

Mr Perkins

Late Night Shopping

It is fantastic that we now have 73 children confirmed to attend Late Night Shopping on Friday night. Meet at 6:00pm at the Public Hall. Y4 and ukulele (advanced) group will be strumming and children singing jingle bells as we procession down to the Christmas tree. Some reception children will be able to play along with our bells! If children can bring a candle in a jam jar this adds great atmosphere to the procession. Santa hat and Tinsel can also be worn! At the Christmas tree we will be singing some songs from our Christmas concert (we will practice these Friday afternoon). Remember all children must be accompanied by an adult.

Mr Perkins

Family Service

The last Family Service of the calendar year is on Sunday 8th December at 10am in St Peter's church. Children will be singing Peace Perfect Peace - leading the congregation. We hope to see many families there.

Mr Perkins

Concerts and choirs

Reminder that our KS2 concert is the evening of Monday 16th December in St Peter's Church. Donations will be going to the British Heart Foundation this year, linking to the

Defibrillator which was recently given to the school. KS2 and choir will be rehearsing at the church all day on Monday 16th December - a letter will come home about this on Friday.

The Choir will be singing at Methodist Church on Thursday 12th December in the Budleigh Ladies Choir Concert. The Budleigh Ladies have kindly agreed that all proceeds from the concert be donated to the school for music provision.

Mr Perkins

Primary Blogger

This week children in Y4 have been blogging about their Tudor trip last week. You can read and leave comments on their posts

here: http://stpetersy3andy4offtopicblog.primaryblogger.co.uk/ (all comments authorised and moderated by Mr Perkins)

Remember Y6 still want lots of comments on their blog writing in their Y6 London Trip blog. That can be found here: http://londontwozerothirteen.primaryblogger.co.uk/

Mr Perkins

Twitter

It seems now people are not threatened by me dancing we are gaining followers again! Now up to 294. The Christmas period is the busiest time in school so please keep an eye on the twitter feed in coming weeks or via the website for reminders, updates and festive photos! @BudleighStP

Mr Perkins

THANK YOU

On Friday November 30th Mrs Taylor lost a very special ear ring at school. The children in the Foundation Stage Unit knew and looked for it. Wilbur Ebsworth found the butterfly backing for her.

At lunch time Mrs Taylor retraced her steps to look for the ear ring and told children and adults what she had lost. She was overwhelmed by the response of children looking for her ear ring during their lunch break.

Jack Garner found it on the nursery decking, where Mrs Taylor had already looked! Thank you to everyone who looked and a special thank you to Wilbur and Jack.

Mrs Taylor

Lunch Bunch Cafe Dinner numbers for week commencing 25/11/2013

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Average						
89	95	111	81	134	102						
Target 100											

Year 4 out on school trip Tuesday 26th November

School Term Dates

Please find attached to this newsletter school term dates for 2014/2015.



Christingle Collection

The church has provided us with Christingle candle collection holders. Children will be bringing this home on Friday. The holders are to be filled with coins and taken to the Christingle Service on the 24th December, St Peter's Church 5-6pm, or to the school in the new term. All monies collected with be donated to the Children's Society.

Knog Frog Lights

At the recent SPSA Christmas Fayre, I was selling cycle safety equipment, including bicycle lights. A number of parents expressed a keen interest, but were unable to purchase the items on the evening/wanted to keep the purchase secret from their children.

The importance of children being bright and being seen when walking, scooting or cycling is well documented (http://talesoftheroad.direct.gov.uk/be-bright.php). These items would make the perfect stocking filler!

Knog Frog Lights - Perfect for all bicycles and scooters

The silicon body allow the light to be easily attached and detached from the handlebars of any bicycle or scooter - no excuses for not transferring their light from their bike to their scooter and vice versa. Batteries can be easily replaced.

£11.50 Front (White light)

£11.50 Rear (Red light)

£20.00 Front & Rear (White & Red light)

Silicon Body Colours: Orange, Green, Purple, Pink, Blue, Magenta, Red



Smart 4 Lux Lighting Set - Front and Rear lights including brackets and batteries. ± 20.00

Magnetic Reflector with Red LED - will magnetically clip around handlebars and straps on bags/rucksacks £6.00



Reflective Bands - snaps around your arm, leg or handle on your bag/rucksack

£2.50

I will be taking orders until Friday 6th December. All the profit from the sale of these items will be donated to the SPSA. I do have limited stock of each item, but will attempt to order more stock if needed. Cheques payable to SPSA.

Every purchase will be entered into a free raffle to win one of five Route 2 water bottles. Please complete the order form at the bottom of the newsletter and return it together with payment to the school office

Mr Lee

Community News

PANTO FOR WARM WISH

Budleigh Salterton Carnival Club will be kindly donating the profits from their pantomime **Jack and the Beanstalk** to our Warm Wish Appeal. They have had the same group of performers back for six years and they always deliver a humorous and entertaining, family friendly show.

SAT 11^{th} JAN, PUBLIC HALL, DOORS AND BAR OPEN 6:30pm and PERFORMANCE starts at 7:30pm

Adults: £10 Children/OAPs: £8

Tickets are available in the playground on Tuesday and Thursdays after school. Also from BS Public Hall or Julie on 442067. Please come along have fun and help raise money for the new swimming pool cover.

Budleigh Library News

Father Christmas has now delivered one of his special post boxes to Budleigh Salterton Library. Every letter posted up until the 21st December will receive a reply.

Here's a reminder of the library opening times:

Monday: 9.30 - 6.00pm

Tuesday: closed

Wednesday: 9.30 - 1.00pm Thursday: 9.30 - 5.30pm Friday: 9.30 - 1.00pm Saturday: 9.30 - 1.00pm

Don't forget to write your name (including surname) and age on your letter so that Father Christmas knows who he is writing to! We look forward to seeing you in the library soon.

Budleigh in Business Mackerel Square Marquee welcomes you! At Late Night Shopping this Friday folks! 6-9pm

Budleigh in Business are delighted to announce that we are hosting a Marquee on Mackerel Square, down opposite the Fairlynch Museum this Friday evening! There will be live music, mulled cider (from Bill Roper of Ashcombe Cider - and Budleigh resident/Dad at St Peter's!) and a small warming taste of chorizo casserole, courtesy of Rosehill Rooms and Cookery in Budleigh (Sharon & Willi Rehbock, also parents here!)

The aim is to support the late night shopping event and our local traders, to promote the Budleigh Buy Local Campaign and the Food & Drink Festival which is returning next year through popular demand! (OCT 24-26 2014) You heard it confirmed here first, get the dates in your diary! We very much look forward to seeing you down there on Friday night!...



Knog Frog Lights Order Form

Name of child:	Year:
I would like to order (prices stated above):	
Knog Frog Lights with a white coloured light and a body	coloured silicon
Knog Frog Lights with a red coloured light and a body	coloured silicon
Smart 4 Lux Lighting Set	
Magnetic Reflector with Red LED	
Reflective Band(s)	
I enclose £ cheque payable to SPSA	A
Signed: Date:	

Devon School Term Dates: Academic Year2014-15

	Sep-2014					Oct-2014				Nov-2014					
Monday	1	8	15	22	29		6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24
Tuesday	2	9	16	23	30		7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25
Wednesday	3	10	17	24		1	8	15	22	29		5	12	19	26
Thursday	4	11	18	25		2	9	16	23	30		6	13	20	27
Friday	5	12	19	26		3	10	17	24	31		7	14	21	28
Saturday	6	13	20	27		4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22	29
Sunday	7	14	21	28		5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23	30
	Dec-2014					Jan-2015				Feb-2015					
Monday	1	8	15	22	29		5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23
Tuesday	2	9	16	23	30		6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24
Wednesday	3	10	17	24	31		7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25
Thursday	4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22	29		5	12	19	26
Friday	5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23	30		6	13	20	27
Saturday	6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24	31		7	14	21	28
Sunday	7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22	
	Mar-2015					Apr-2015					May-2015				
Monday		2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27		4	11	18	25
Tuesday		3	10	17	24	31	7	14	21	28		5	12	19	26
Wednesday		4	11	18	25	1	8	15	22	29		6	13	20	27
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Friday		6	13	20	27	3	10	17	24		1	8	15	22	29
Saturday		7	14	21	28	4	11	18	25		2	9	16	23	30
Sunday	1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26		3	10	17	24	31
	Jun-2015				Jul-2015				Aug-2015						
Monday	1	8	15	22	29		6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24
Tuesday	2	9	16	23	30		7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25
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Sunday	7	14	21	28		5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23	30

Non pupil Days - School Closed

Occasional Days - School Closed for pupils

Bank Holidays and weekends

School Holidays