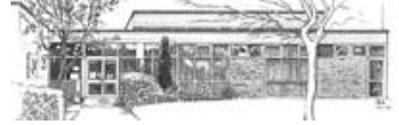




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Dear Parent(s),

JANUARY 2015 NEWSLETTER

STAFFING

Mrs Kilduff has taken on the Friday role in 1M after a few weeks of seeing how she settled in before and after Christmas. She has had lots of experience in Early Years and works Monday-Wednesday in another school, meaning that we won't lose her to a full time job as we did Miss Mallon. Miss Mallon has gained a full time job in Saughall Primary School in Chester and we wish her all the best in her future career.

SNOW TODAY/TOMORROW FORECAST

As per our text, keep checking the **front page of the website** for up-dates if snow does fall in this area. We will endeavour to stay open, unless the main roads start being blocked.

LETTER FROM MINISTER OF STATE FOR SCHOOLS – RT HON DAVID LAWES MP

Please see attached to the back of this newsletter, a letter praising our school for our hard work and high standards of attainment and achievement. The letter emphasises that we are 1 of only 149 schools in the country (16 000 Primary) to achieve this level. I cannot praise my staff enough for their continued dedication to the pupils within their care; not only academically, but creatively, emotionally, as well as building their skills for life!

FUN FOOD DAY – THURSDAY 15TH JANUARY

As per our text, we are promoting healthy eating on Thursday and want all children to dress up as fruit and vegetables; or if you want to make it simpler, colours relating to these – I am sure Mrs Ashworth in the office will outshine everyone if Christmas was anything to go by!



YEAR 6 BOYS LEAD ASSEMBLY ON POVERTY

We had props, demonstrations, power points and emotive imagery in this assembly just before Christmas lead by _____ in Y6. The boys prepared well and certainly got the message across that we should be very grateful for what we have, whilst caring and doing something for others. Their final line was 'don't feel guilty about the presents that you receive this Christmas, enjoy them, but take time to think of others less fortunate before you do.'

This term the boys want to put their talk into action by various fundraising activities for UNICEF – please support them by joining in the non-uniform day that they have arranged in February (see their letter).

PA FUND RAISING

Many thanks to Mrs Park, Mrs Melanie Lewis, Mrs Hayes, Mrs Withe and many others, for leading on some fantastic fund raising events last term. The total raised is now over £12 000 and the PA have committed some of this to I Pads, which all the children will benefit from.

OPEN ASSEMBLY FRIDAY 16TH JANUARY

All are welcome on Friday with January birthdays as a focus. If you have any trophies, certificates etc. please place them on the stage labelled first thing in the morning.

YEARLY COST FOR RESIDENTIALS.

Some parents have requested constant reminders of the cost of residential trips in each year group so that they can save (these costs are on the website):-

Yr 3 sleepover @£5

Y4 residential for 3 days @ £120

Y6 residential for 1 week @£350

Mrs S J Pearson

