# JOPS News



# Note from Mrs Durrant 1<sup>st</sup> December 2023

Happy Friday everyone,

It's the 1<sup>st</sup> December and Christmas has arrived at JOPS. The music was playing this morning as the children entered and the children were greeted with their classroom door covered, which were created by the JOPSPA team last night at the Wreath Making Workshop. Thank you to all who attended last night or those who logged into the virtual event - I hear it was a great success.

JOPSPA had organised a panto this morning, which the children thoroughly enjoyed and has certainly got us in the mood for Chritsmas.

Do not forget the sing-a-long next week. Follow this link to book your seats and we look forward to seeing you there.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1j1JF0bG2TT8Urr51 3qTK3ISBAeXrQTDfZqACaJc4K2w/edit

Have a lovely weekend and we will see you on Monday.

### DATES FOR DIARIES

- 04.12.23 ASSESSMENT WEEK Y1-5 Y3-6 MUSICAL THEATRE SINGING AT METHODIST CHURCH 1:30PM ROCK STEADY CONCERT 2:15PM
- 06.12.23 CHRISTMAS SING-A-LONG 6- 7PM
- 07.12.23 CHRISTMAS DINNER AND CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY
- 08.12.23 MOP UP FLU VACCINATIONS
- 11.12.23 INSET DAY SCHOOL CLOSED
- 13.12.23 9:15AM Y1/2 CHRISTMAS CONCERT (PRE-SCHOOLERS ALLOWED)
- 14.12.23 9:15AM Y1/2 CHRISTMAS CONCERT (ADULTS ONLY)
- 15.12.23 JOPSPA 'WISHMAS' GROTTO AND FATHER CHRISTMAS VISIT
- 15.12.23 JOPSPA CHRISTMAS FAYRE 3:20-5PM
- 19.12.23 LAST DAY OF AUTUMN TERM

04.01.24 FIRST DAY BACK

# **JOPSPA Christmas Fayre**

We need volunteers for the Christmas Fayre on 15.12.23 - email: jopspa@outlook.com and also will welcome donations for Christmas raffles. Any local businesses or independents who would like a stall at the fayre - email: jopspa@outlook.com

# **OPAL SHOUT OUT**

Please can you send in any kitchen utensils (wooden or metal) as well as pots and pans for us to create our mud kitchen areas and large cardboard boxes.

# **School Crossing Patrol**

Some of you may be aware that the Local Authority are disbanding with our School Crossing Patrol or Lollipop Lady. I have asked the local authority for communication to be given to you regarding this decision and are awaiting a response from them. **Attendance** – Congratulations to those who achieved over 96% (national target) and well done to the classes in red who have won their 'Phase Attendance Competition' for that week. Week beginning 27.11.23

Class	% Attendance	Class	% Attendance	Class	% Attendance
Hedgehogs	91	2M	92	5M	87
Squirrels	92	3C	93	5N	95
1BM	95	ЗК	95	6B	92
1E	94	4G	94	6Н	94
2BF	95	4S	95	Overall	93%
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# **Autumn Clubs**

Please note that Autumn Clubs finish the week ending 08.12.23. This means that there will be no clubs from week commencing 11.12.23 and 18.12.23.

Spring 1 clubs will be set up shortly and Y1 – 6 will receive a letter showcasing all the clubs. Payment can be made via sQuid once the bookings are open. Please remember that bookings are on a first come first serve basis, please follow the 'waiting list' instructions if you are unable to book on.

# Swimming Y3

3C you have now completed your 10 weeks of swimming so well done to all of you. 3K you have your first swim on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December and then you will start again after Christmas on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2024.

# Public Relations Questionnaire

Thank you so much for those who completed the questionnaire about our website, Facebook and Newsletter – we had over 100 responses and will set an action plan following your feedback to try to improve our communication with you.

The winning parent of the £30 Tesco voucher was parent of Poppy B in Year 2 – congratulations!

### Y5/6 Football and Indoor Athletics

Well done to those who attended the football and athletics tournaments events this week. Miss Page, Mr Bennett and Mr Lendon said that you all did extremely well. The football teams are waiting to see if they are through to the next round and we came 3<sup>rd</sup> overall in the athletics. Congratulations to our budding sports stars!

### <u>Christmas Tree Festival – Upminster Methodist Church</u> <u>2<sup>nd</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> December 2023</u>

Wednesday 2-6pm/ Saturday 10-4pm/ Sundays 12-4pm free to enter

Mrs Beerling took a couple of children to the church this morning to set up our tree with the baubles, which you had created at home with them. Thank you for all of your hard work and for getting involved. Please see the photographs on Facebook – it looked spectacular! You can view the tree for yourself and vote for our tree or attend the Christmas Market which is being held there tomorrow 10-3pm.

