



St. Michael's Woolmer Green C of E Primary School

December Newsletter



24th November 2016

Dear Parent/Carer

Our value for the month of December is "Love".

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only son, that whoever believes in him, shall not perish but have eternal life".

John 3:16

OFSTED Inspection

As you are aware Ofsted visited last week for a Section 5 Inspection. We were, as always proud of our School and look forward to their report soon.

Poppy Appeal

A huge thank you to all who donated to the Royal British Legions Poppy Appeal this year. We collected a very generous sum of **£277.40** for the Appeal.

Samaritans Purse: Operation Christmas Child

Thank you so much for the donations of filled shoe boxes. We were able to send **20** parcels to the poor and needy children in the remote corners of the world with the wonder of Christmas. The organisers send their very grateful thanks for your generosity.

Christmas Panto: Wednesday 30th November: 1.45-3pm

The Friends have kindly booked a Panto this year for all our children. Robin Hood will be performed by M&M Productions Ltd at the Village Hall in the afternoon. **Parents need to collect their child from school at normal time.** If any parents/carers would like to help please speak to your class teacher or the school office.

Music and School Choir Assembly: Monday 19th December: 9.15am

Children who play a musical instrument are invited to play at our Assembly on this day. Our School Choir will also be singing, hosted by Mrs Hewitt. Parents are most welcome to join us.

School Christmas Dinner: Wednesday 21st December

Christmas Dinner will be served on WEDNESDAY 21st DECEMBER. If your child DOES NOT have meals on this day normally and would like to, please send in a request with payment of £2.25. Thank you.

Christingle Service

Christingle collection candles will follow soon. **Our Christingle Service is on Sunday 11th December at 4pm at St. Michael's church.** All are welcome. If you are not able to hand in your candle boxes then we are happy to collect them at school. The Children's Society do a wonderful job in trying to ensure children have a brighter future. Thank you for your support in advance.

In addition:

**Saturday 17th December 10-12noon Christmas Tree Craft morning at the Church.
Forms to follow.**

**Crib Service is on Christmas Eve at 3.30pm. Church
All welcome to join us.**



NATIVITY SERVICE: Years R, 1 & 2

Sycamore, Willow and Cherry classes will have their Nativity service at **Woolmer Green Village hall** on **FRIDAY 16th December** at **2.00pm** with refreshments afterwards served by the Friends **AT SCHOOL**. Donations of mince pies and cakes most welcome on the day. Each class will distribute information with regard to costumes arrangements shortly. Siblings at the school will get to see the performance on our dress rehearsal day which is on Thursday 15th December.



Admission will be by ticket only and, in order to accommodate everyone, we will be issuing initially 2 tickets per child. Please return tickets you do not require.

A waiting list for spare tickets will be made upon request no later than **Monday 5th December**.

CAROL SERVICES: Years 3-6 only

Our traditional Carol Service in St. Michael's church will be on **Tuesday 20th December** at **6.00pm** singing hymns.

Admission will be by ticket only and, in order to accommodate everyone, we will be issuing initially 2 tickets per child. Please return tickets you do not require.

A waiting list for extra tickets will be made and these tickets will be issued initially to parents of year 6 pupils and then on a first come first served basis. In order that we may issue tickets, would you please return the attached form by **Monday 5th December**.



We ask that no small children or babies are brought to the evening performance. It is very distracting for performers and audience alike if there is background noise. Our children rehearse for a long time for these occasions and it is not fair for them to be interrupted.

Children will meet in the school first, as we need to assemble and then cross to the church safely. **All children need to arrive at school for 5.45pm.**

The children will cross as a group after the service and the children will be dismissed from school. If you are not attending this service please collect your child/children from the school at 6.45pm as we will not let them leave without being accompanied by an adult.

If you have any questions about either the Nativity or Carol Service, please speak to your class teacher in the first instance.

SCHOOL NATIVITY & CAROL SERVICE WAITING LIST FOR ADDITIONAL TICKETS REQUEST

Name of child/children: _____ Class: _____

Friday 16 th December at 2pm VILLAGE HALL Yrs R to Yr 2 Nativity	Tuesday 20 th December at 6.00pm CHURCH Yrs 3-6 only Carol Service
Number of extra Tickets requesting	Number of extra Tickets requesting

Signed: _____ (parent)

Date: _____

CHRISTMAS CARD POST BOX

From Wednesday 14th to Tuesday 20th December, Oak class will be running a Christmas card postal service. The post box will be located in Oak class entrance. You will be able to post your cards from 8.50-9.00am daily. Oak class would like to make it a fundraising activity and this Charity will be confirmed in due course.

If you would like to donate to our fundraising campaign for using the postal service we would be grateful. We will collect donations at the time of posting.

If you would prefer not to send any Christmas cards but would like to make a donation then please feel free. We will announce the total raised at the end of term.



Friends Christmas Jumper Day for all children

Wednesday 21st December

£1 DONATION to participate

*If children do not have a Christmas jumper
this could be something Christmassy e.g. Santa Hat*



EVENTS AND DATES THIS TERM

30 th November	PANTO production of Robin Hood, Woolmer Green Village Hall 1.45-3pm.
1 st December	Beech class assembly 2.45pm in the hall.
8 th December	Flu vaccinations for Years 1-3.
11 th December	Christingle Service at St. Michael's Church
13 th December	1.30pm Nativity rehearsal at Woolmer Green Village Hall for Reception, Yr 1 & 2 children
15 th December	9.30am Dress Rehearsal at Woolmer Green Village Hall for Reception, Yr 1 & 2 children
16 th December	2pm Nativity Service at Woolmer Green Village Hall for R, Yr 1 & 2 parents
19 th December	9.15am Music Assembly and School Choir performance. Parents Welcome.
20 th December	Year 6 to Knebworth Care Home to sing Carols
20 th December	Year 6 to Monread Nursing Home to sing Carols
20 th December	Carol Service at St. Michael's church 6.00pm for Yrs 3-6
21 st December	Christmas lunch all years. End of Autumn Term School finishes at 2.15pm
9 th January	Start of Spring Term - School OPEN

**We shall send out a further Newsletter before the end of term
with any further updates.**