



3rd November 2011 Newsletter

Kingswood

Congratulations to the Y5 children.

Reports of excellent behaviour,

attitude and perseverance have come back with them. In assembly this week Mrs Morrow announced the winners of the tidy dormitory competition and it was clear that the children made every effort to impress. When asked who had surprised themselves by attempting something new and somewhat nerve wracking, almost every child put up their hand. It is wonderful to hear that our children took full advantage of such a fantastic opportunity. We now look forward to seeing the audio/visual presentations completed in the ICT activity sessions. Thank you to the parents and staff who support visits like these and to the children who make it all worthwhile.



Children in Need Pyjama Day

We got a head start on Children in Need this year by holding our pyjama day before the half term holiday. The Messenger newspaper came in and took some lovely photographs. One of the highlights was the infants doing Wake Up, Shake Up in their pyjamas. We raised £366.28 and had a lovely day too.

More Outstanding Taekwondo Success

This week we have heard the fantastic news that four more of our pupils have been awarded their black belt. Harrison Gilder, Jack Wardle, Angus Beazley and Samih Chowdary have all done so well to achieve this award so young. Well done to this group of Y5 children.

Community News

Altrincham Medical Practice has asked us to let you know that they are moving to Lloyd House, 7 Lloyd Street (opposite Sainsbury's). All existing patients will automatically transfer to the new surgery with them and they will have room for some new patients.

For more information please call 0161 928 2424.

Samaritan's Purse Shoe Boxes

The collection date for these is November 16th and so shoe boxes should be brought into school from Monday 14th November. Please do not bring them in before this; we have nowhere to store them.

Christmas Decoration Plea

Last year we were very short of Christmas tree decorations. If anyone has changed their colour scheme and no longer needs red and/or gold decorations, could we please have them?

School Results

The school comparison data has now been released by the government and we are delighted to report that once again this school features as one of the country's top primary schools in terms of standards of attainment and pupil progress. In 'Value Added' (pupil progress between the end of Y2 and the end of Y6) the school achieved 101.0, this rates as 'significantly above' the expected rate of progress.

P.T.A. News

- Thank you to all who attended the committee meeting on Tuesday night
- It was proposed that the PTA constitution be updated to ensure there is a shared understanding of how the association should be governed. To do this an Extraordinary General Meeting will be held on Thursday 24th November at 8 pm
- A copy of the proposed constitution will appear on the PTA website shortly. At the meeting it is hoped that, 4 people will be elected as committee members and trustees of Bowdon Church School PTA
- If you are interested in a position on the committee a nomination form, with information about roles and responsibilities, will appear on the website very shortly
- It was agreed that the £98.28 raised for the PTA at the cake sale will be used to purchase a demonstration table for the "Let's Get Cooking" group. The same amount has been donated to The Genesis Appeal
- Don't forget to sign up to the Spend and Raise website if you are intending to do your Christmas shopping , or your Sainsbury grocery shop, online at www.spendandraise.com/bowdoncspta to raise money for PTA funds as you shop

PTA Christmas Fair Update Saturday 3rd December 12-3pm

Preparations for this year's Christmas Fair are well under way; the Gardening Club is busy planting bulbs and we have an exciting edition of a pet stall with some fabulous treats!

Art Competition - Thank you for all your entries. As some people still want to take part we are extending the closing date to Monday 7th November, so please encourage your children to take part. Please post your entries in the Silver PTA Box in the school entrance hall. An entry sheet is attached in case your child can not find theirs.

Manning a stall/game - your class reps will have been issued with a stall or game and will be contacting you to see if you can help on the day for 1.5 hours (to man a stall or tidy up after the fair). We are hoping that each class will take responsibility for a stall or game. We appreciate all your help.

If you are able to help set up on Friday during the day / Saturday morning or helping with the big clear up at the end please contact Lorraine Thompson 07740 283881

Thanks for all your help - The Christmas Fair Team

Bowdon Church News

There have been requests for copies of the Bowdon Church News to be sent out to parents, so that those who do not have it delivered to their house are able to see what is happening up at church. Copies are kept in the entrance hall and I will attach it to this newsletter once a month.

