

FOUR OAKS PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Next week



Week 4

Dear Parents and Governors

Thursday 12th December—Unavoidable School Closure—General Election

Another reminder that the Government have now decided that there will be a General Election on Thursday 12th December. Once again the school building has been selected as a polling station and even though I have made my feelings be known with the Local Authority, we have no choice but to close the school to pupils on that day due to safeguarding concerns. We apologise for any inconvenience this causes and look forward to seeing the pupils and parents back in school on Friday 13th.



Rock Bottom



A huge thank you to those parents and friends who came along to the afternoon and evening performance of our school show "Rock Bottom" this week. We are sure that the parents coming along to the last performance this evening will have a fantastic time. It has been wonderful to see how much fun the children in Year 5 and Year 6 have had performing to their hearts' content up on the stage. Can



I take this opportunity to once more thank all of the children who took part, both on stage and behind the scenes, the parents for supporting the children and of course Mrs Bambury and her team of staff who made the whole thing possible.



Christmas Fayre



Friday 29th November 5.30pm—8.00pm

Bottle Stall, Santa's Grotto, Elfridges (wrap a present for parents), Christmas Crafts, Cupcake Stall, Teddy stall, Mulled Wine and Fine Beers, Hot Food for the family and much much more!

We are very quickly marching towards the Christmas Fayre!

- **Volunteers:** To ensure we can provide lots of fun stalls and activities for everyone the PTA are now recruiting helpers. This could be to help set up, run a stall or clear away. If you would like to volunteer (it can be for as little as 30 minutes), please post your details into one of the PTA postboxes or contact Mrs Roscoe on 07894 088904 or email kellyjroscoe@gmail.com.
- **Christmas Jumper and Christmas hat day—Tuesday 26th November:** We are holding a Christmas jumper and hat day on Tuesday 26th November where children and staff can come into school wearing a Christmas jumper or a Christmas hat in return for a donation for the bottle tombola or a teddy for the teddy stall.
- **Christmas Fayre Hampers:** We would be grateful for any donations for the Christmas Fayre hampers, there will be an adult hamper and a children's hamper. Could any donations be brought into either school office by Wednesday 27th November.
- **Cupcake Competition:** a letter was sent out last week with all the details of the competition, there are three categories and all cupcakes should be brought into school on Friday 29th November by 2pm.



Books For Schools—Sun Newspaper Campaign



The Sun and Sun on Sunday newspapers are running a 'Books for Schools' campaign. From November 23rd to January 18th there will be tokens which can be collected and sent into school. We have to collect 3,500 tokens by the 18th January and we will then be able to claim 100 free books for school worth over £600! Could parents please look out for the token if they read the Sun and send it into school. Thank you.

**Super Stars and Acorns**

The following children received Super Stars (Infants) and Acorns (Juniors) in Assembly last week. Well done to them all!!

Bumblebees	Elena
Ladybirds	Vienna
Owls	Penny
Hedgehogs	Jessica C.
Turtles	Jayden
Sharks	Annabel
3E	Olive
3R	Lily W.
4C	Anita
4G	Absaar
5C	Henry
5G	Aston
6E	Lexie
6W	Flossie

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The following children received Stars (Infants) and Acorns (Juniors) in Assembly this week. Well done to them all!!

Bumblebees	Aaryan
Ladybirds	Sara-Sophia
Owls	Lilliemay B
Hedgehogs	Faith
Turtles	Cameron
Sharks	Gabriella
3E	Rosie
3R	Ted
4C	Gracie
4G	Jack
5C	Zara
5G	Max
6E	Henry B.
6W	Wyatt

Courtesy Cup Winners ~ last week

Reception	Giaan / Xavier
Year 1	Valentino / Amiee
Year 2	Jack / Thea Card
Year 3	Adam / Sarjan
Year 4	Oscar T / Alexander T.
Year 5	Reuben M. / Ellen
Year 6	Henry J. / Harleen



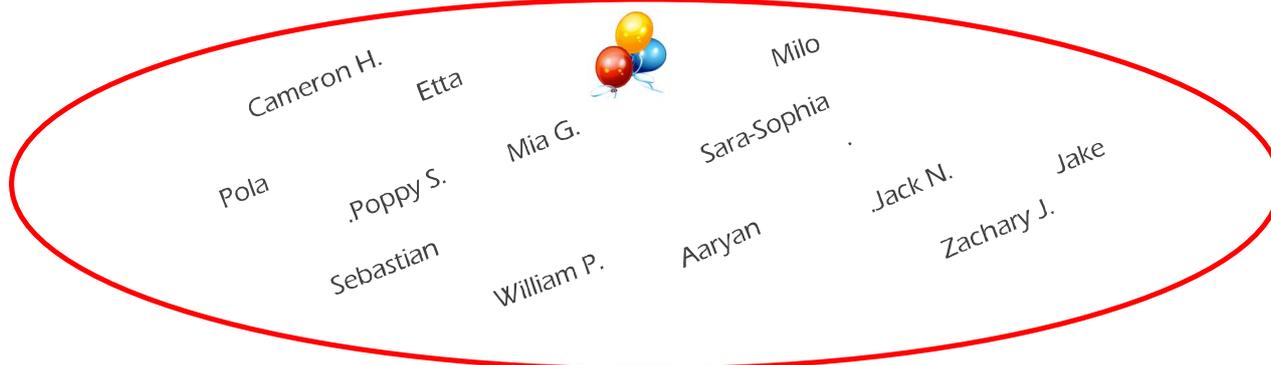
Well done to all the winners!

Courtesy Cup Winners ~ this week

Reception	Stella / Saffron
Year 1	Ezra / Jayan
Year 2	Thea Carl / Jai
Year 3	Alayna / Maya
Year 4	Zach / Oscar L.
Year 5	Alfie K. / Ben L.
Year 6	Ben / Isabel B.



Well done to all the winners!

Infant Birthdays**Dinner Money ~ Juniors**

Can we please remind parents that dinner money should be paid in advance and parents should not be getting into arrears on the SchoolMoney system. Can parents please look on-line via SchoolMoney to view their up to date balance for school dinners and make payments. Thank you.

**Individual and Family Photographs**

Proofs of the family and individual photos will be coming out early next week. Please note the deadline for ordering is 4th December.

**Year 6 SATS Assessment Workshop**

A huge thank you to all of the Year 6 parents and friends who attended our SATs assessment workshop last week. We had lots of positive comments from the adults so we are really happy that you found the event so useful!

Lichfield Carol Service—Monday 9th December



We are looking forward to the Carol Service at Lichfield Cathedral on Monday 9th December at 7.15pm, (Could children who are participating please arrive at 6.50pm). A reminder that the doors to the cathedral open at 6.30pm and not before due to Evensong. We hope that everyone participating either representing our school, the Cluster Choir or the Training Choir has a wonderful evening.

Christmas Performance and Christmas Service



A reminder that this year our Junior Carol Service and Infant Christmas performance will take place as follows:



Monday 16th December—2.15 pm —Infant Christmas Performance in school for Reception parents

Tuesday 17th December -9.30 am— Infant Christmas Performance in School for Y1 parents

Wednesday 18th December—2.15 pm— Infant Christmas Performance in School for Y2 parents

Tuesday 10th December—2.00 pm—Junior Carol Service at All Saints Church

Please note that we have provided three times for the Infant performances to enable as many parents as possible to see the celebrations.

Year 4 Architecture Workshop

Year 4 had a fantastic time experiencing their architecture workshop in the Infant Hall last week. Thank you to all the parents whose contributions made this activity possible. This is just yet another example of how we try to improve the cultural capital of every pupil at Four Oaks, giving them as wide a spectrum of experiences as we can as they journey through school.

School Trips

Reception Trip to Ash End Farm—We look forward to our Reception pupils heading off on their festive trip to Ash End Farm soon on 6th December. Please look out on SchoolMoney for payment details and remember to tick the consent box.

Year 2— Year 2 will be visiting Whittington Barracks on 10th December in connection with their work on World War I. Please look out for the payment details on SchoolMoney and remember to tick the consent box.



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PTA Film Night - Friday 15th November

A huge thank you to all of the parents who came along to school last Friday evening to make our first PTA Children's Film Night such a great success. The children laughed along to the film and the pizza was enjoyed by all as they lost themselves in "The Secret Life of Pets 2".

Disco Cancellation

There is now no PTA Disco on Friday 13th December. This has been moved to the New Year on Friday 10th January.

ICT Tip of the Week

"Following on from Anti Bullying Week. With the theme being "Change Starts With Us". There is always someone that can help and someone you can talk if you are being bullied:- parents, carers, teachers, they will always listen. You can also look at these useful websites for support: www.childline.org.uk | www.bullying.co.uk | www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk | #antibullyingweek"

If you have any queries regarding any of the above please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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