



Issue 6: 7th December 2018

Staffing news

I am delighted to let parents know that we have appointed a full time class teacher for Poplar Class from January onwards. Mrs Kate Atkinson is an experienced teacher and we are really looking forward to her joining our team!

Christmas lunch

On Wednesday 12th December, we will be enjoying our school Christmas lunch. Please send your child to school in their uniform and a Christmas jumper (instead of their normal school jumper/fleece).



School Trips

Yr 6 Broneirion - Please continue to make payments for the Yr6 residential trip each month.
Yr 4 Wildchild - Payment booklets have been sent home for this trip. Please pay each month.



Year 3/4 Nativity

This year our Yr3/4 Nativity will be held on **Tuesday 11th December 2018 at 2pm and 6pm**. Please see the attached letter requesting seats for either performance.

Christmas Post

Our school Christmas post box will start operating from Monday 10th December. Please send your children in with any Christmas cards that they would like to send to friends in school. These must be labelled clearly with the child's full name, Year group and class.



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PTA NEWS



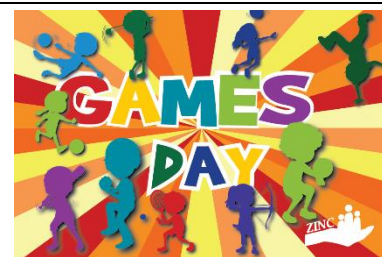
The PTA's discos were a great success! Thank you to all parents for supporting this.



Children who have purchased Secret Santa gifts will be able to choose from a selection available on **Friday 14th December**.

We are really pleased to announce that **Emma Rowe** and **Francesca Harris** have been elected as Chair and Vice-chair of the PTA. I'm sure that many more exciting events are coming our way! The PTA will soon be starting their own newsletter, so please watch out for this.

School Council are organising a fundraising games day which will take place on **Thursday 13th December**. The money raised will go towards the Voice in a Million trip, which our choir are attending at Wembley next year. School Council ask that the children **come in school**



uniform for that day and to bring a donation of £1. In the morning, games will be played in class relating to different subjects. Each class teacher will arrange this with their classes and children will be told what, if anything, to bring in. During the afternoon, there will be big games of Bingo held in the hall. If children would like to enter this, they will **need 10p per game to play**. There will also be the option of playing board games brought in from home during the afternoon within classes. Many thanks for supporting School Council with this fundraiser!

Be proud of your hero's and sports team's achievements and submit a nomination today to help us recognise and reward their successes.



As a school, we have achieved SO much in sport this year. With Mr Hagland's help, we have received the Gold Sports award, once again. If you would like to nominate our school or any of our staff (hint, hint!) please see the attached flyer for more details.

Diary dates (further dates will be added throughout the term)

December

Tues 11th - Year 3 Christingle class session

- Year 3 and 4 Christingle service 11am, school hall

- Year 3 and 4 Nativity 2pm and 6pm, school hall

Wed 12th - Christmas lunch (Christmas Jumper Day)

Mon 17th - Yr 3 Christmas Party (come to school in uniform and bring a change of party clothes)

Tues 18th - Yr 4 Christmas Party (come to school in uniform and bring a change of party clothes)

Wed 19th - Yr 5 Christmas Party (come to school in uniform and bring a change of party clothes)

Wed 19th - Knights Templar Brass Band concert

Thurs 20th - Yr 6 Christmas Party (come to school in uniform and bring a change of party clothes)

Thurs 20th - Christmas Service, 9.30am St Mary's Church

Fri 21st - End of term. **School closes at 1.30pm**

January 2019

Mon 7th - INSET DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED

Tues 8th Children return to school

Thurs 10th - **Whole school** trip to Pantomime, Stevenage (12noon to 4.30pm)

February

Weds 6th - Open session for parents to come into school to look at our writing project and art work **3.30-5pm**

Fri 15th - Half term