

# November Newsletter 2016

Dear Parents,

I hope you have all had a happy half-term. As ever, the next half term at Patterdale is incredibly busy, especially with Christmas on the way.

## **CONGRATULATIONS....**

To our netball team. For the first time, we have made it through to the Eden District Finals in May. Brilliant!

## **CURRY NIGHT – Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November**

Tickets are selling well, so if you are intending to come, please purchase your tickets.

## **PROFESSOR PUMPERNICKEL – Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> November**

Again, tickets are selling well for this children's event. We are hoping that it will be a real family success. Please purchase your tickets as soon as possible so that we can plan properly.

## **STAFFING**

Mandy Howard-Carter will be starting her maternity leave from Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November. We wish her all the best for the coming months.

Kirsty Wright will be covering the office duties in her absence. Please be patient as she finds where everything is!

## **SCHOOL UNIFORM**

Even though we are only half way through the first term of the year, several children have lost items of clothing!

Please could you check your washing baskets.

So many clothes don't have names in them – which makes it trickier than it needs to be.

Please can you make sure all items are clearly and permanently named.

## **FEET FIRST**

Many of you have signed up for Feet First and we are still awaiting the sticker books. However, the scheme does start today, therefore children need to walk, scoot or cycle to school at least once a week to earn their rewards.

## **WALKING BUS**

As the weather seems to be holding out, it would be nice if we could continue with the walking bus this half term.

If you are able to volunteer to help with the walking bus, please sign up on the sheet on the notice board. Please also sign your child up before Thursday if they would like to join.

**The notice board is also a very good source of information, detailing things that are happening, changes etc. So please make sure you check it regularly.**

## **FUNDRAISING/DONATIONS**

We have done very well lately with fundraising, however all of it is still vital for us to continue as we do, and to repair the school roof. Thankyou for everyone's help and support.

Recently we raised :-

£2,191 from The Hodgeson Brothers Relay.

£141 – from the clothes recycling – The Air Ambulance also received the same amount.

£40 – Community Lunch (which was delicious – thankyou Lorraine!).

£890 – from Travellers Rest Bonus Ball which has been split 50/50 with Ullswater Nursery.

The next planned events are Curry Night and Professor Pumpernickel (as detailed)

The nursery also has a bag pack arranged at Sainsbury's on Sat 10<sup>th</sup> December – they are extremely short on volunteers if any anyone can spare any time to help?

### **CHILDREN IN NEED**

This year we will be doing a sponsored walk to raise money for Children In Need.

We will walk to school on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November in spots/whacky outfit.

Please meet at Sharman's shop in Glenridding at 8.45am to drop your child for the walk. All the children will walk to school accompanied by myself, Nicola and staff (parents don't have to walk, but are welcome to if want).

Please note there will be no-one at school until we arrive.

Attached is a sponsor form.

## **CHRISTMAS PLANS**



### **CHRISTMAS POST**

The Christmas Post Box will be available from Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December. As the Year 6 children sort the post, it is really important that the name on the envelope is really clear – preferably first and surname. We do have 2 Jessica's!

The final posting day will be Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December.

Year 6 children will be decorating the tree that day too.

### **SINGING TO THE 'OVER 60'S' AT THE INN ON THE LAKE**

The children have been invited to sing at the Inn on the Lake again this year on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December. Times/details to follow.

### **THEATRE BY THE LAKE TRIP – Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> Dec – Whole School**

The whole school will be going to visit the Theatre by the Lake to see 'The Emperor and the Nightingale'. We will have an early lunch and travel by mini-bus and car. We shall return to school at 4.45pm (please leave space for the mini-bus/cars to park outside school). We ask for a voluntary contribution of £12.00 to cover the tickets and car parking. Please ensure money is handed in by Monday 21<sup>st</sup> November.

### **CHRISTMAS DINNER**

This will be on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December.

### **CHRISTINGLE SERVICE**

Terry will be leading a service at St Patrick's following Christmas Dinner. This will start at 2.30pm and we would love to see you there. If you are unable to come, please collect your children from St Patrick's at 3.30pm.

### **SCHOOL PLAY**

The play will take place on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm and 6pm at SCHOOL. Hopefully all the children will have been learning their scripts over half term.

### **SCHOOL PARTY DAY**

Children may have a lie in and arrive by 10am following the play night. Children may wear party clothes – although they will need to have something warm to wear for playtime along with suitable footwear.

They will have a party lunch (not school dinner) and the signing up list for food items will go up shortly.

Please collect at 3.30pm as usual.

Many thanks  
Liz

### **OTHER IMPORTANT DATES/EVENTS FOR THE TERM**

Fri 4 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Art Project
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Art Project – Parent drop in 3.30pm
Mon 7 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Year 2 & 3 – Patterdale Hall Outdoor Adventurous Afternoon
Wed 9 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Year 2 & 3 – Patterdale Hall Outdoor Adventurous Afternoon
Thurs 10 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Flu nasal immunisation – Years 1,2 and 3
Thurs 10 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Basic Moves (Infants) – Newton Rigg 1pm
Fri 11 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Curry Night at Fellbites
Sat 19 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Professor Pumpernickel – 10am
Thurs 1 <sup>st</sup> Dec	Christmas Post Box open
Wed 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Singing at Inn on Lake – Over 60's Party
Thurs 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Theatre by the Lake trip – whole school – return at 4.45pm
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Sainsbury's bag pack for Nursery
Mon 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Final posting day in Christmas Post Box
Tues 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas Dinner followed by Christingle Service at 2.30pm
Thurs 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	School Play 2pm and 6pm
Fri 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas Party - 10am start and Break Up!

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