

# **TDA Juniors Newsletter**

## **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2017**

### **Children in Need**

We raised a total of £532.64 for Children in Need. A huge thank you to all who donated cakes and contributed with Pudsey coins. Well done everyone.

### **Open Evening**

On Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November we have an open evening for next year's intake of year 3 children at 5.00 pm in the main hall at TDA Juniors. Please pass this information to any families who might be interested in joining us.

### **All Saints Church Christmas Tree Festival**

We have been invited, along with other local schools, to take part in the annual All Saint's Christmas Tree festival. Our year 3 children will be making decorations for the tree in school and the tree will be taken to All Saint's Church on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December. You are all welcome to visit the church to have a look at all the trees on display on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December and Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December.

### **Year 3 Christmas Production**

Rehearsals are well underway for this year's production of 'Christmas with the Aliens'. The production will be held in the Drama Theatre in the main Academy building. A letter was sent out on Tuesday with all the information regarding the sale of tickets to all year 3 children. You must purchase a ticket if you want to come and see your children.

### **Christmas Lunch**

Our school Christmas lunch is taking place on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December and we hope lots of children will join us. Details of the menu will be displayed on the website and reception nearer the time.

### **Year 6 Museum Trip - Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December**

Please note if you have not paid for the Peterborough museum trip that payment of £6.00 is now due. Thank you.

### **Paid for before and after school club provision**

Could I please remind everyone to keep your receipts safe for all cash payments made for breakfast and after school clubs as you made need these for tax purposes.

## **PE Kit**

PE is an important part of the curriculum but there are some children who are coming to school without their PE kit. Please ensure your child has the correct PE kit at the start of each week. Children must have a black polo shirt with the TDA logo. Children can wear either a TDA black fleece (available from the school shop) or a plain black tracksuit top and plain black tracksuit bottoms through the winter months. Children also need to wear trainers not plimsolls.

## **Dinner Money**

We are experiencing a number of children who do not have enough dinner money on their account to pay for a school dinner. Can I please remind you that dinner money **must be paid in** advance £2.25 per day and £11.25 for a week. The easiest way to pay is via ParentPay our cashless electronic system. If you do not have a login then please contact our Finance department on tel no: 01733 426060 for a user name and password. If you pay by cash please ensure the correct amount of money is paid in a sealed envelope, with your child's full name, class, and the amount you are paying. Please note we no longer accept £1.00 coins and we do not issue change. Thank you.

## **Absence**

If your child is unable to attend school due to illness please inform the school before the start of the school day and on each subsequent day of absence. As you can appreciate the school office is very busy in the morning and we do have a telephone answer machine facility. Please leave a message stating your child's full name, class and the reason your child is absent. A copy of the absence policy can be found on the Thomas Deacon Academy website.

## **Years 3 and 4 Flu Vaccinations**

The nasal 'flu' vaccination is available to all children in years 1, 2, 3 and 4, to be given in school vaccinations sessions. The 'flu' vaccine, which is in the form of a single dose of live vaccine is administered via nasal spray. It is highly effective and very acceptable to parents and children as it is NOT injected by needle. The NHS nurses will be in TDA Juniors on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December to administer vaccines and your child will receive a letter and consent form shortly. Please could you return your child's consent form to the school office.

Kind regards

Lucy Burks, TDA Junior Leader