



Orchard Lea Junior School

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Welcome back after a relaxing and restful half term break. We had a fantastic first half term and are really pleased with how well the new Year 3 children have settled.

To commemorate 100 years since the end of World War 1 we will be having a Remembrance Day on Friday 9th November. We invite children to come to school wearing red on the day as part of our celebrations. They can wear an entirely red outfit or a few red items with their school uniform. In classes the children will take part in various Art, English and History activities throughout the day. There will be no celebration assembly on this date. Optional donations will be made to the Poppy Appeal. During November, Year 6 will be visiting classes and selling a variety of poppy merchandise with all proceeds going to the Poppy Appeal.

From Wednesday 28th November until Monday 3rd December we will be holding a Scholastic Book Fair in the library from 3.20-4.00pm daily. As in previous years there will be a wide range of books available to suit all tastes and reading abilities. This is a great opportunity to buy Christmas presents as there are over 200 books from leading children's authors to choose from. All books are half price meaning you can get the latest David Walliams and Tom Gates books for under £8! All books bought will give the school credit to buy more books for the classrooms and school library.

With the weather turning colder, please can we remind all parents that children need to bring a coat to school everyday and make sure it is worn at playtimes and lunchtimes.

We have noticed that an increasing amount of children are now coming to school wearing novelty hairbands and bows. Children should be coming to school with tasteful hair bands and bows in school colours only. Thank you.

Our Christmas Fayre is just 6 weeks away. It will be held on Friday 7th December 2018 in the hall from 3.15pm – 4.30pm. Each class will be running a stall, details of their stalls will follow shortly. We welcome parent volunteers to support the class stalls or to help run the refreshment stall.

After the success of our summer fayre, we would like to invite local businesses and companies to join us at the fayre. Stall holders can begin setting up from 1.30pm. We intend to pack up the fayre before 5.15pm as our school closes at 5.30pm. We are asking for a £15 pitch fee for the event.

If you know of anyone who would like to run a stall or is able to volunteer, please ask contact Mrs Thornbury via the school office.

All profits from the Christmas Fayre will be put towards our Outdoor provision. We hope that we will have raised enough this term to build covered seating by the woodland area in the corner of the school field.

As always, thank you for your continued support.



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DIARY DATES (New dates added in **bold**)

October

Monday 29th to Friday 2nd —Year 6 residential to Osmington Bay

November

Monday 5th—INSET day

Friday 9th—Year 3, 4 and 5 flu vaccines

Friday 9th—Whole School Remembrance Day—more details overleaf

Tuesday 13th—Year 3 trip to Marwell

Thursday 15th—School Disco Year 3 & 4 5-6pm Year 5 & 6 6.30-7.30pm

Friday 16th—Year 5 trip to Stubbington Study Centre

Wednesday 28th —Monday 3rd December—Scholastic book fair 3.20-4.00pm daily

Friday 30th—Prokick Challenge

December

Monday 3rd—Friday 7th—THEME WEEK—Tolerance & Diversity

Tuesday 4th—2.30pm Year 6 topic event (Change of date)

Friday 7th—Christmas Fayre

Tuesday 11th—Year 4 Ukulele Concert 2.30pm

Wednesday 12th—Christmas Dinner & Christmas Jumper Day

Thursday 13th—Year 5 Keyboard Concert 2.30pm

Monday 17th—INSET day

Wednesday 19th—Year 3 Performance (times TBC)

Friday 21st—Carol concert 11.45am (Parents invited) and children to finish at 12.30pm

January

Monday 14th—Year 6 Bikeability week—letter to follow

Thursday 24th—Year 6 trip to Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra—letter to follow

Monday 28th—Year 5 Bikeability week—letter to follow

February

Monday 4th February—2pm Parent Coffee afternoon with Mrs Pink (Parent Support Advisor), Mrs Abbott (SENCO), Mrs Smith (ELSA) and School Nursing Team

Friday 15th—INSET day

Mrs Pink, our Parent Support Advisor, would like to share her mobile number in case any parents would like to get in touch 07719412231.