

Kingsmoor Newsletter 20th November 2023



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BAM CHRISTMAS MEAL - Change of Day

The Bam Christmas meal will be on Wednesday 6th December and not Thursday 7th as previously advised. For key stage two parents that usually pay for a meal on the Wednesday and have already paid extra for the Christmas meal, a refund will be given.

PARENTS EVENINGS AND AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS IMPORTANT INFORMATION

A reminder that there will be no after school clubs on Wednesday or Thursday this week (22nd and 23rd November). Also, to advise that staff will not be available to look after children between 3:30 and 4:00 if you have an early appointment, pupils **WILL NOT** be put into Late Leavers until you arrive as this provision is full. Thank you for your understanding.

Children that regularly attend late leavers (working parents) when there are no clubs will be able to attend the late leavers club.

Children that attend the gym club have received notification about this week and next week.

All parents should enter school through the main entrance – apart from Year 6 and Year 3 – these may enter via the classrooms directly. Class R and Class 5's work will be near the photocopier, Class 4 down the corridor, Class 1 and 2 in the Year 5 area. (Years 3 and 6 in the class's cloakroom.)

A polite reminder – appointments are for 10 minutes. Please knock on the door when it is your appointment time. Parents are very welcome to come back at a mutually convenient time for further discussion. This will help enormously in ensuring all appointments are on time.

Cari Hampson from MHST will be in school on Wednesday evening – informing parents about how they are supporting the school/parents and child with their mental health and wellbeing and services they can provide for families.

FUND RAISING

Thank you to everyone who donated to children in need. We raised total of £177.02.

REMINDER INSET DAY

A reminder that this Friday (24th November) is an INSET day for staff training.

PARENT WORKSHOP – TUNING INTO KIDS (MHST)

A reminder that this starts this Thursday 23rd November 13:15 – 15:15. This will take place in Class 3.

PARKING

We have recently received emails and phone calls from various people in the village expressing concern about parking at drop off and pick up times (including parking across private driveways)

Please park with consideration for residents, pedestrians and through traffic at our normal peak times and be particularly aware of your impact if attending school events eg Christmas Fair, Bingo, Plays etc.

Also for new parents, please be aware that the local Police Community Support Officer regularly patrols the area and has been known to place tickets on cars that are parked illegally (i.e. on a dropped kerb, within certain distances of junctions etc)

Unfortunately some children are regularly seen running to the school gates and beyond unaccompanied or out of reach. This happens on the way in and out of school. Our chilling reminder is that so far we have not had an injury caused by inadequate precautions. **Statistics suggest it's a matter of time before there is an accident.**

PLEASE do everything you can to extend this time for as long as possible.

KINGSMOOR FRIENDS

Thank you to everyone that supported and helped at the Disco and Christmas Bingo – lots of fun at the disco and plenty of prizes won at the Bingo. An amazing amount raised for the school which we will inform in the next newsletter

Thank you all for your donations and generosity on non-school uniform day which were split between the bingo and Christmas Fair.

Next Kingsmoor Friends Events

Friday 1st December – Christmas Fair 2 – 4pm

Thursday 14th December – Christmas Parties and Theatre visit.

Thank you in anticipation of supporting these events and thank you to Kingsmoor Friends for organising this important aspect of school life.

KINGSMOOR FRIENDS APPEAL

If you can spare any time, help would be much appreciated for the Christmas fair. Please see any of the Kingsmoor friends committee. Thank you.

SWIMMING

This Thursday the children will be practicing water safety at their swimming lesson. Could you please send in a tshirt and shorts with their swimming kit (or even their PE kit). Thank you.

EYFS/KS1 NATIVITY

Tickets have been sent out today for the Nativity. There are a few remaining tickets that will be sold on Thursday morning from 9:00 in the office.

UNIFORM

We do have a small supply of T-shirts and Polo Shirts sizes 9/10 and 11/12 which we are selling off at a discounted price (now that we have outsourced our uniform to South West Schoolwear). Please enquire at the office.

HEADLICE

For some families this is a very frustrating problem. Regardless of how well an individual family responds to an outbreak and which products are used, the infestation reoccurs.

Nowadays, the Local Health Authority advise against schools from sending out individual letters notifying parents of head lice.

The only way to eradicate the problem is for the whole school to be 'free from head lice' and parents to continually check their children's hair.

Combing through wet hair regularly with a fine comb and conditioner is said to be the most effective preventative available. Please use a fine comb on your child's wet hair as frequently as possible.

Reminders like this will reappear periodically indicating that headlice have been recently reported in the school.

EARLY DEPARTURE - FRIDAY 15TH DECEMBER

As we are aware many secondary schools are finishing at lunchtime on the last Friday of term. If it is more convenient for you to pick your child/children up earlier on that day, you will be able to do so from 1.00pm onwards.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

| Nov | 22/23 | Parent evenings |
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| | 24 | School Closed – INSET |
| | 27/28 | EYFS/KS1 Christmas Nativity |
| Dec | 1 | Kingsmoor Friends Christmas Fair |
| | 7 | Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day |
| | 14 | Christmas Party Day |
| | 15 | Last day of term |
| Jan 2023 | 2 | Start of Spring Term |
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