

Padstow School Newsletter

December 8th 2016



Grenville Road, Padstow, Cornwall PL28 8EX

Tel: 01841 532510

Head teacher: Mr P Banks

email: secretary@padstow.cornwall.sch.uk www.padstowschool.co.uk

Bank transfer details: Lloyds TSB plc Account no: 37478268 Sort code: 30-97-28



CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY & CHRISTMAS FAYRE TOMORROW!

School uniform is not required. Wear your Christmas jumpers (shop-bought or home-made) in return for a £1 donation to Save the Children.

Christmas Fayre: 1.45-4.00pm ALL WELCOME

Last minute plea for help: if you can spare any time at all to help set up/man a stall/clear away, please let us know after school today or tomorrow morning.

Mr Nicholls

After countless years of service to Padstow School, we are sad to say that Mr Nicholls is finally hanging up his litter pick, and leaving Padstow School. Over the years he has been our caretaker, cleaner, IT technician, teaching assistant, lunchtime supervisor and even a governor once. He has given countless hours to ensure our building is kept in tip top condition, as well as facing call outs at ungodly hours, when the wind has set the alarm off, or a mouse has wandered past a motion detector. He has always worked way beyond his paid hours and taken on tasks that any other member of staff would have avoided like the plague, and for that we are eternally grateful. We wish him all the best, and hope he enjoys a long and happy retirement. He's earned it!

Mr Nicholls last day at Padstow School, will be Thursday the 15th of December. Stepping in to his shoes, well not all of them, we have recently appointed Sean Alcock. He will join our team as a site manager. He took up a part time role on the 1st of December, to work alongside Mr Nicholls, and will begin post full time on the 16th of December. We very much look forward to working with him over the coming years.

The Lantern Parade

Thank you to everyone who joined us for the Lantern Parade last Friday. As usual there was a fantastic array of creative designs and it was a great way to kick off the festivities.



Father Chris says

"Would your child like to be in the Christmas Eve Nativity at the Church?"

If so, please come along to Friday Fun Night at the Church Rooms this Friday (December 9th) from 6-7pm for a rehearsal.



Diary Dates

December 2016:

9th—Christmas Jumper Day

—Christmas Fayre

13th—Carol Concert @ St Petroc's

14th—Christmas dinner

16th—School closes for Christmas

January 2017:

3rd—School closed

4th—Spring term begins

February:

10th—School closed

13th-17th—Half term

March:

31st—School closes for Easter at 2pm

April:

18th—Summer term begins

May:

2nd—School closed

29th—June 2nd: Half term

June:

9th—School closed

July:

26th—School closes for summer 2pm

Swimming

Year 4 will be swimming after the Christmas Holiday. The first session will be on Tuesday 10th January. A letter with more details will follow in the New Year.

Used Stamps

Please can you save all your used stamps and send them into school. We are a collection point for the charity CRY who can generate additional income from the stamps.



 **CRYUK**

Stable Story

A HUGE well done to all our infant superstars for performing so brilliantly in their nativity 'Stable Story' this year. You were fantastic!

Big thanks also to everyone who helped out with rehearsals, costume making, back drops, props, sound, lighting and everything else putting on a performance entails. I think you'll all agree it was well worth it.



A little bit of Christmas Magic



Our Year 2 children were completely enthralled this week when Miss Dickson shared with them a letter she had received from Santa Claus when she was a little girl. Miss Dickson had written to Santa Claus to ask him if he would share his recipe for reindeer food and he sent her a lovely letter which included the recipe. Year 2 have made up lots of bags of the special reindeer food to sell at the Christmas Fayre tomorrow.

Class Christmas Parties

We will be having our class Christmas parties next week:

Infants: Monday 12th December

Years 3 & 4: Thursday 15th December

Years 5 & 6: Wednesday 14th December

School Photos

The majority of school photo orders have been sent home with the children this week. We are delighted to hear that the feedback for the new photography company New Generation Photography has been overwhelmingly positive.



Carol Singing

Well done to our Year 4 class who went Carol Singing at Tesco yesterday and raised over £70 for the school!

Thank you to **Trevisker Garden Centre** for donating a delightfully scented and beautiful looking Christmas Tree. Thanks also to Becky O'Hagan who decorated it for us so skilfully.

Visit Trevisker Garden Centre for:

Real Christmas trees *Christmas tree stands* *Christmas decorations*

Christmassy plants *Bespoke gifts*

and Rose's Florist for:

Wreaths *Christmas flowers* *Table decorations*

