



STOW ON THE WOLD PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and friends

Pumpkin Party

The party was a great success and was a lovely way to end the term. A big thank you to the PTFA for their efforts especially Mrs Sivalingam, Mrs Cook and Mrs Birch for organising it all and to everyone for supporting the party with cakes, biscuits and of course the amazing array of pumpkins. The children looked fabulous in their wonderful costumes. There is a book of pictures in the entrance hall showing their amazing outfits (along with a couple of mums in their rather scary gear!). There are pictures of the pumpkins on the website too, they were fabulous. The party raised £210.97 including the cake sale in the afternoon, so well done and thank you to everyone.

Open afternoon

Thank you to everyone who came along to our open afternoon. It was lovely to see parents visiting the classes, even though it was Friday afternoon at the end of term and just prior to a very exciting party! We will hold another one early next year possibly in the morning rather than an afternoon next time.



Samaritans Purse Christmas boxes

We have a lovely wall of Christmas boxes appearing in the entrance hall. Please return any filled boxes next week as we are hoping to arrange a collection soon. So far we have 40 boxes with more arriving every day, thank you so much for your generosity. I am hoping we will get to 100!



Tubs4tablets

Just a second reminder that we are collecting tubs for tablets coupons available in stork and flora tubs (on offer at our local supermarket right now). If we get 50 then we can exchange them for a samsung galaxy tablet and we are well on the way already, thank you. I will let you

know when we get enough for our first one.

Remembrance Service and day

On 11 November at 11am in the Square we will be marching with a piper leading the way to the square. Please make it a date in your diary if you wish to come with us to this very moving occasion. We have some lovely songs to sing. We would also appreciate as many children as possible joining us to march in the square on Sunday 9 November which is remembrance Sunday. We are happy for children to march and then sit with us in church or be collected from the church door, rather than sit through the whole service as we appreciate it is very lengthy for the youngest children. Children are asked to wear their school uniform please with lots of warm layers underneath!

Christmas Cards

If you would like your child to design a Christmas card to be made up into a pack of cards then please get the design back to us ASAP as they have to be in by 19 November . All proceeds to the school.

Attendance

Despite the sickness bugs before half term we were still able to hand out 100% certificates to many children at our final assembly, well done to them all and thanks to Mrs

Swallow for keeping a very close eye on our figures! Lets aim for even more at Christmas when we next review it. If in the meantime your child's attendance falls below 90% we will be in touch.

School kitchens

You will be glad to know that we have recently been awarded the top mark of 5 for food hygiene rating by the local district council. The food hygiene rating follows three key elements, food hygiene practices, cleanliness of the establishment and the confidence they have in the management and control systems. I am very proud of our kitchen and the magnificent way they are coping with having "Christmas day" numbers everyday with the introduction of universally free school meals. Well done to Mrs Taylor, Miss Cato and Mrs King who is helping out at the moment, for their wonderful efforts.

Newsletters by email

Don't forget if you would like a paper copy or you would like grandma or a distant relative to receive a copy please just give us their email addresses at the office.

As always do please come and see me if you have any concerns, no matter how small. I am here to help you.

Together we can succeed

Rebecca Scutt, Head teacher