

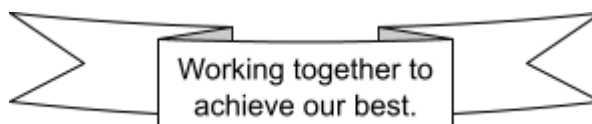


Newsletter

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Dear parents/carers,

PTFA Christmas Fair

On Saturday the PTFA held their Christmas Fair which was a very welcome return to our school calendar of events.



The event was very well attended and very much enjoyed by everyone there. As well as the exciting opportunity to meet Santa, there were a range of Christmas foods and refreshments and a host of fantastic Christmas Craft activities for the children to take part in.

The children enjoyed seeing many of the school staff there and it was lovely to see many of our ex pupils helping the PTFA adult volunteers running the activity tables; thanks to all of them for coming along to lend a hand!



The PTFA worked so hard to organise everything and it was so well run and this really contributed to the success of the event, along with the super atmosphere generated by all of our supportive families, who gave up time on their Saturday to come along and join in with the fun! A huge thank you to Vicki Davies and her stalwart PTFA team, for doing such an amazing job!

Class Fundraising Merchandise

Yesterday, any christmas card, tags or wrapping paper orders were delivered to your child's class and they would have hopefully brought them home.

Any additional items that any parents/carers have ordered, will be with you soon when they get delivered to the school.

School Photographs

The school photographs are due to be delivered this week and they will get sent out with your child as soon as we receive them.

Dance Club

Please see attached information regarding the dance club for the spring term which starts on Tuesday 10th January from 8.00am - 8.45am.

Christmas Tree Festival and The Firs' Choir

Please see the attached poster with information about the Christmas Tree Festival which takes place on Saturday 3rd and Sunday 4th December at St Andrew's Church. Our school choir is performing between 11.30 - 12.00 on Saturday and our Christmas Tree will also be there, so please visit St Andrew's Church to hear our choir sing and vote for our Christmas Tree!

We would like to thank Hannah Freeman for working hard with her choir and for being with the children at the church on Saturday. Thank you also to Kanurshi Arulrasa for supporting the Choir and the event on Saturday. We would also like to thank Deborah Rogers for organising the Christmas Tree theme this year and the children for working so hard to complete their decorations on time.



Christmas Performances

December	
Monday 5th	Y1 dress rehearsal in the morning. 9.30am start For parents with younger siblings and other family members
Tuesday 6th	Pine dress rehearsal in the morning. 9.30am start For parents with younger siblings and other family members Y1 performance to parents in the afternoon. 2.00pm start Y1 Parents to attend.

Wednesday 7th	Y2 dress rehearsal in the morning. 9.30am start For parents with younger siblings and other family members Pine performance to parents in the afternoon. 2.00pm start Pine Parents to attend
Thursday 8th	Y3 dress rehearsal in the morning. 9.30am start For Parents with younger siblings and other family members Y2 performance to parents in the afternoon. 2.00pm start
Friday 9th	Y3 performance to parents in the afternoon. 2.00pm start Year 3 Parents to attend

The dress rehearsals are for parents with younger siblings and other family members. You need to book a place if you need to come to the dress rehearsal.

We have 20 places at each one and it will be on a first come, first served basis.

Please telephone the school office on 01525 402735 to reserve your place or email the school office at office@firslower.org.

Booking is not required for the main performance. We have 2 seats per family allocated for this and it is essential that you adhere to this, as we can only have a certain number of people in the hall at any one time, due to our fire regulations.

New Displays Around The School

Thank you to all the staff who have been working hard to renew a lot of the displays around the school. In case you are not popping in over the next few weeks, on the next page are some of the new displays that have been put up:



Year 1



Year 3



Year 4



Year 2



Pine



KS2 Accelerated Reader - Reading Megastars Board

Basketball Festival

On Tuesday Miss Webb led a group of Y4 children who participated in a Redborne Sports Partnership Basketball Festival at Alameda.



The children all had a fantastic time and in our Merit Assembly on Monday, they received their certificates to mark their participation. Miss Webb told everyone in the assembly about how enthusiastically and successfully they had participated and also mentioned that they had behaved in a really exemplary way. Well done to all who took part.



Also in assembly, our Y4 sports Ambassadors were presented with their red Sports Ambassadors sports tops that they can wear for PE and for RSP events going forward... wear them with pride!

Yours sincerely,



Adam J G Campbell