



Thank you to all our families who sent in a shoebox for **Operation Christmas Child**. We had 53 boxes in total, which are now on their way to brighten a child's Christmas somewhere in Eastern Europe.

We have a final sum for our **Sponsored Walk** – a magnificent £1853.10! This money will go towards our outdoor play initiative, as we try to improve our resources and outdoor storage. It will also be spent on numeracy and ICT resources.



Reminder to Parents! Tuesday 7th November @ 7.00 is our next **Parent's Support Group** meeting. We will be electing this year's committee and planning for Christmas and for a concert being run by the local churches, to raise money for our school.

Fit For Life – The P4-6 pupils have been enjoying this Council led programme over the past weeks. Monday 20th November is their last session for this year, learning new skills and keeping active.

OPEN AFTERNOON – Our Open Afternoon is planned for Friday 24th November from 1.15 until 3.00. Prospective pupils will have an opportunity to see around the school and play in their classroom, as well as having some fun with 'Kidz Farm'. We have sent home a flyer with each family and if you know of any prospective pupils please give them a personal invitation.

Shared Education – Our programme of lessons continues with all P3-7 pupils attending a Zoolab workshop tomorrow, Tuesday 7th November. All P3-7 classes should bring a coat, as they will be walking to St. Mary's for their workshop. The team from the Speedwell project at Parkanaur will be in school on Friday to work with P6 on the topic of 'Celebrating Difference'.

P6/7 Radar Trip – Shona Holmes from the PSNI has arranged for P6/7 to visit the Radar Centre in Belfast on Monday 13th November. This fully funded trip will be an excellent way for our older pupils to increase their knowledge of 'Keeping Safe'.

CHRISTMAS IS COMING!

- School is kicking off the Christmas celebrations with their Panto trip, on Friday 1st December, at the Courtyard Theatre, Newtownabbey. Every child will get a chance to meet Santa after the show, which adds to the excitement of the day.
- Don't forget 'Supper With Santa', planned for Friday 8th December.
- Christmas Jumper Day Friday 15th December to Christmas list.
- A school choir will be performing at the Carol Service in the Orange Hall on Sunday 10th December at 5.00pm.
- Our Christmas performances on Tuesday 12th (P1-P4) and Wednesday 13th (P5-P7) both starting at 7.00.
- The pupils will also be performing at our OAP's Christmas Dinner on Thursday 14th December.

Calling All Parents – We need some help constructing a Mud Kitchen and Music Wall for our younger pupils. We also have some power hosing which needs done. If you love DIY and have some suitable tools, we would love to see you at school on Saturday 25th November at 10.00am. Bacon butties and bottomless cups of tea and coffee will be supplied for all our willing helpers. A letter has been sent home today to gauge interest.

DIARY DATES

7 th Nov	Parent's Support Group Meeting at 7pm.
10 th Nov	Shared Education for P6 in Maghera Primary.
13 th Nov	P6, P7 classes - Radar Event, Belfast, returning to school 3.30pm.
13 th Nov	NI Chest, Heart & Stroke visit for P3-P5.
17 th Nov	Whole School Flu Vaccinations.
18 th Nov	Transfer Test, Pupils to arrive at Rainey Endowed at 9am, test begins at 10am.
20 th Nov	Last day - Fit for Life.
22 nd Nov	P6/P7 Internet Safety Talk.
24 th Nov	School Open Morning 1.15pm – 3pm.
25 th Nov	See above – DIY morning in school, volunteers required please!