Tower Times

Reach for the Moon Week Commencing 28th November 2011



Dear Parents / Carers

We are now in the four week Advent period, so the children are busy with Christmas decoration making and the whole school has been transformed into a Winter/Christmas wonderland. By the time you get this letter you will be aware of the Winter Fayre. This will be the third year it has taken place and each year is more successful than the last. We hope to be able to raise over £1000 which will go towards renovating the hall.

It is a good time to thank all of those who work on the PTFA and support them. They are a very valued part of our school community and work extremely hard behind the scenes ensuring the school gets those little extras it cannot afford. Thanks to all who run, help and support the PTFA.

Ofsted

Care Guidance and Support for your children came out as outstanding. This is one of the statements Ofsted made:

"Staff in school show an insightful knowledge and understanding of the pupils as unique individuals, providing flexible bespoke solutions to help and support all pupils in their learning and progress. This approach is deeply embedded within the school's philosophy, staff commitment, systems and procedures."

NON-UNIFORM DAY - 29th November

Thank you to everyone who sent in a winter or Christmas item for our Winter Fayre tombola. All children who donated a tombola prize were entered into a Christmas raffle. The children had a great day not wearing their uniform and it is all for a good cause. Just a reminder that money raised this year is going towards renovating the hall. We are aiming for a target of £20,000.

CHRISTMAS HOT LUNCH

It is not too late, so please send in your child's order for Christmas lunch.

CHRISTMAS POST BOX IN SCHOOL

Please make sure that the <u>name</u> of the person you are sending the card to <u>and their class</u> is clearly written on <u>all</u> envelopes before being popped in the school post box outside the school office.

LET'S GET COOKING

Mrs Gudgeon and Mrs Cann have been working away in the KS1 resource room every Monday for some time now. The best bit about this is I always get a treat from the children they are working with! Their team of wannabe Jamie Olivers have been cooking up some real



delights. I am trying to persuade them to part with their recipes so watch this space.

WORLD MUSIC WORKSHOPS

The Lincolnshire Music Service is providing 2 free workshops for KS2 children on World Music. The aim of the sessions is to give the children a taster of various instruments from around the world. All the instruments and a tutor will be provided.

POPPY APPEAL

What can we say, apart from a huge "thank you" to children and parents who so kindly donated to this year's Poppy Appeal. A fantastic £125.11 was raised and the money goes towards vital welfare and benevolent work for servicemen. It is still good to know that the community of Huntingtower still respect the efforts of our armed forces past and present. Thank you.

CHOIR FESTIVAL - WALTON GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL

Our choirs will be taking part in this festival on Friday 2nd December 2011. Parents of choristers have been invited to go along.

As a "warm up" our choirs will also be singing at our Winter Fayre, Friday afternoon, before they go to Walton Girls' High School.

PRIMARY APPLICATION PACKS -September 2012

Primary Application packs for 2012 entry are available from the School Office. The closing date for applications is 20th January, but, we would encourage you to complete the application as soon as possible and by Christmas if possible. If you have problems with the online system, application to Lincolnshire County Council can be made by telephone or even ask for a paper form.

FUTURE DATES - all dates subject to confirmation

- 2nd December PTFA Christmas/Winter Fayre
- 5th December FS/KS1 Christmas Performance dress rehearsal
- 6th December FS/KS1 Christmas Performance
- 7th December FS/KS1 Christmas Performance pm/eve
- 9th December Pantomime Peter Pan
- 13th December KS1 and KS2 Choir Christmas in The George Centre
- 14th December KS2 Christmas lunch
- 15th December FS/KS1 Christmas lunch
- 16th December Carol Service pm



