



Cheddar First School

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Community Group Day

The children have been busy today in their community groups undertaking activities to conclude anti-bullying week. They enjoyed wearing odd socks to celebrate difference and have decorated their own individual socks to contribute towards a whole school display. Community group days are a lovely opportunity for the children to get together with friends across the school and it was great to see how thoughtfully they discussed this important theme.



Children in Need

Thank you to everyone who brought in a donation in support of Children in Need day. We are pleased to announce that we have raised £246.01, which I'm sure will be gratefully received and this is also an important opportunity for the children at Cheddar First School to make a difference to others.



A message from the school council:

Following the success of last year's Christmas Food Bank Appeal, we have decided we would like to run this event again to support it during the run-up to Christmas.

We see this as an important link between the school and our local community and thoroughly enjoyed being a part of such a worthy cause during the festive season in 2016.

An email has been sent home with more information about what we are hoping to collect and also when you can donate any goods. If you can donate any of the items listed on the email, we would be extremely grateful. Many thanks for your continued support.

Week beginning 20th November

Monday 20th November

Foodbank Collection begins!

Year 3 & 4 Sports Club 3:30-4:30pm

Tuesday 21st November

Year 4 Brass

Wednesday 22nd November

Year 4 Swimming

Year 1 & 2 Sports Club 3:30-4:30pm

Thursday 23rd November

Year 3 Swimming

Cheddar First School Singers 3:30-4:30pm

Friday 24th November

FPTA News:

Advertising opportunity

Would your company like to advertise in the Christmas Play programme? £40 for a full page or £20 for a half page. Please contact the FPTA via our Facebook page for details. Alternatively, please leave your contact details at the school office FAO Claire Holmes.

Scooters Buying a scooter or accessories? Enter this code (123717) and the school will receive 10%!

www.micro-scooters.co.uk

Family Assemblies: Parents/Carers and other family members are invited to come and share in their child's class assembly.

The dates are as follows:

- 19th January Skylark Class
- 2nd March Goldfinch Class
- 20th April Woodpecker Class
- 11th May Kestrel and Falcon Class
- 25th May Puffin and Swan Class
- 6th July Kingfisher Class

Assemblies are at 2:45pm in the school hall. Parents of children in Wren and Robin Class will be invited in the summer term.

Cake Stalls: Each month one of the classes organises a cake stall in the school hall. These events are extremely popular and the money raised is used to pay for resources for cooking, craft and design activities. The dates are:

- 1st December Skylark
- 26th January Woodpecker Class
- 23rd February Kestrel Class
- 9th March Swan Class
- 23rd March Wren Class
- 27th April Robin Class
- 8th June Kingfisher Class



Cake stalls take place at 3:30pm in the School Hall

| Dates for your diary | |
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| 17 th November | Children in Need day and Community groups |
| 1 st December | Skylark Cake stall (Please note this is a change of date) |
| 1 st December | Festive Night |
| 4 th December | Recorder Assembly 3pm NEW DATE |
| 7 th December | Last day for Foodbank collections. |
| 8 th December | Christmas Fair |
| 12 th December | Reception Christmas Play 5:30pm |
| 13 th December | Reception Christmas Play 2:00pm |
| 14 th December | Christmas Lunch |
| 19 th December | Years 1-4 Christmas Play |
| 20 th December | Years 1-4 Christmas Play |
| 21 st December | Christmas Party |
| | 22 nd – 5 th January School Closed – Christmas Holiday |

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

As you know we are working hard to keep overall attendance in the school above 97%.

Term Dates 2017/18

Term dates and In-service days for 2017/18 are on the school website www.cheddarfirstschool.co.uk under Key Documents.

Please note holidays in term time cannot be authorised.

Safeguarding

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. If you are worried about a child and would like to talk to a member of staff in private, please make an appointment to see:

Mrs Wookey - Designated Safeguarding Lead
Mrs Smith or Mrs Alen - Deputy Designated leads

As parents you can contact support agencies directly:
NSPCC 0808 800 5000
Somerset Direct
0845 3459122

A reminder to all parents

Please do not smoke **on or around** the school premises - Thank you for your cooperation



The FPTA would like to thank our partners for their ongoing support of our fundraising efforts

