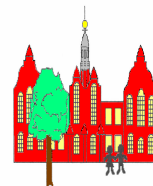


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Weekly Newsletter
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WANTED FOR CHRISTMAS FAYRE

We are starting to get ready for the Christmas fayre. We would be grateful for donations for some of our stalls. In particular, we need items for our tombola. These can include bottles of wine, chocolates, perfume and other toiletries etc. If you have any unwanted games, toys, jigsaws or similar then these would be appreciated for our jumble sales.

A Change to Class Assemblies!

This half term, we are having a different style of class assembly. Instead of having one at 10.15am, each phase group are holding an exhibition morning, where they will be showing more of their work. The first group to start will be the Early Years Foundation Stage, combined with year 1. This will be held in the EYFS/Year 1 area at the start of the day up to 9.55 (when the children have their phonics sessions). For the other year groups they will be holding their exhibitions in the hall or their teaching areas.

The schedule is as follows:

11th November—EYFS/Year 1

18th November—Years 2/3

25th November—Years 4/5

2nd December—Year 6

One Hull of a Rain Forest

Just before the half term holiday, two of our pupils, Amber and Sam, went to a conference about this new project. It is a city wide scheme to raise money to buy an area of rain-

forest in Ecuador. This is their report:

“First, we went to the main hall to watch and listen to the slide show that Natasha had made. She told us where she went with other teachers from other schools.

Then we went to the 1st workshop which was jewellery making. We had a board with 2 nails in it. We only had 2 pieces of string to do it with (we had beads too). First of all we knotted the string to the top nail, we pulled it tight then wrapped it round the bottom one. Then we put the longest string under then knotted that on to it. Then we made the bigger one into a 4, then over, under and pull. Repeat 10 times. Then we put a bead on. Then we carried on. At the end we took it off the nails then we tied it on our wrists.

Next we went to the fair-trade workshop. There we had to design a chocolate bar to be sold in a shop. We had to sell it for more money so the people that collected the ingredients, can earn more.

Last of all, we got to go to the Animal Section. We held a lizard called Samantha, a snake called Eric, 2 rats called Lightning and Rain, and a cockroach called Tom.

After we held all the animals, we went back to the main hall to talk about saving the rainforest. To save the rainforest and to buy land, we need £250,000! We thought of a lot

of different ways. Then we thought if year 5/6 made the bracelets we could sell them on friendship week and the Christmas Fayre.

Smoking

We would like to remind all parents/carers that smoking is not permitted, anywhere on the school premises.

Halloween Disco

Once again, all of us enjoyed a super Halloween disco. Every pupil who attended was suitably dressed up in Halloween costumes. We had witches, vampires, zombies and ghouls. What a great effort by everyone! This year, we made a profit of £111.47 which will go back into school funds to support activities for our pupils. Many thanks to Mr Morfitt and the staff for decorating the hall, serving the hotdogs, drinks and sweets.

A Farewell for Now!

On the last day of last half term, we said farewell to Mrs Heidstra for the time being as she has left to start her maternity leave. The baby is due in mid December, so we have all wished her well.

Key Dates to remember:

Christmas Dinner is on **14th December**

Christmas Secret Shop on **9th December**

Christmas Fayre on **16th December**

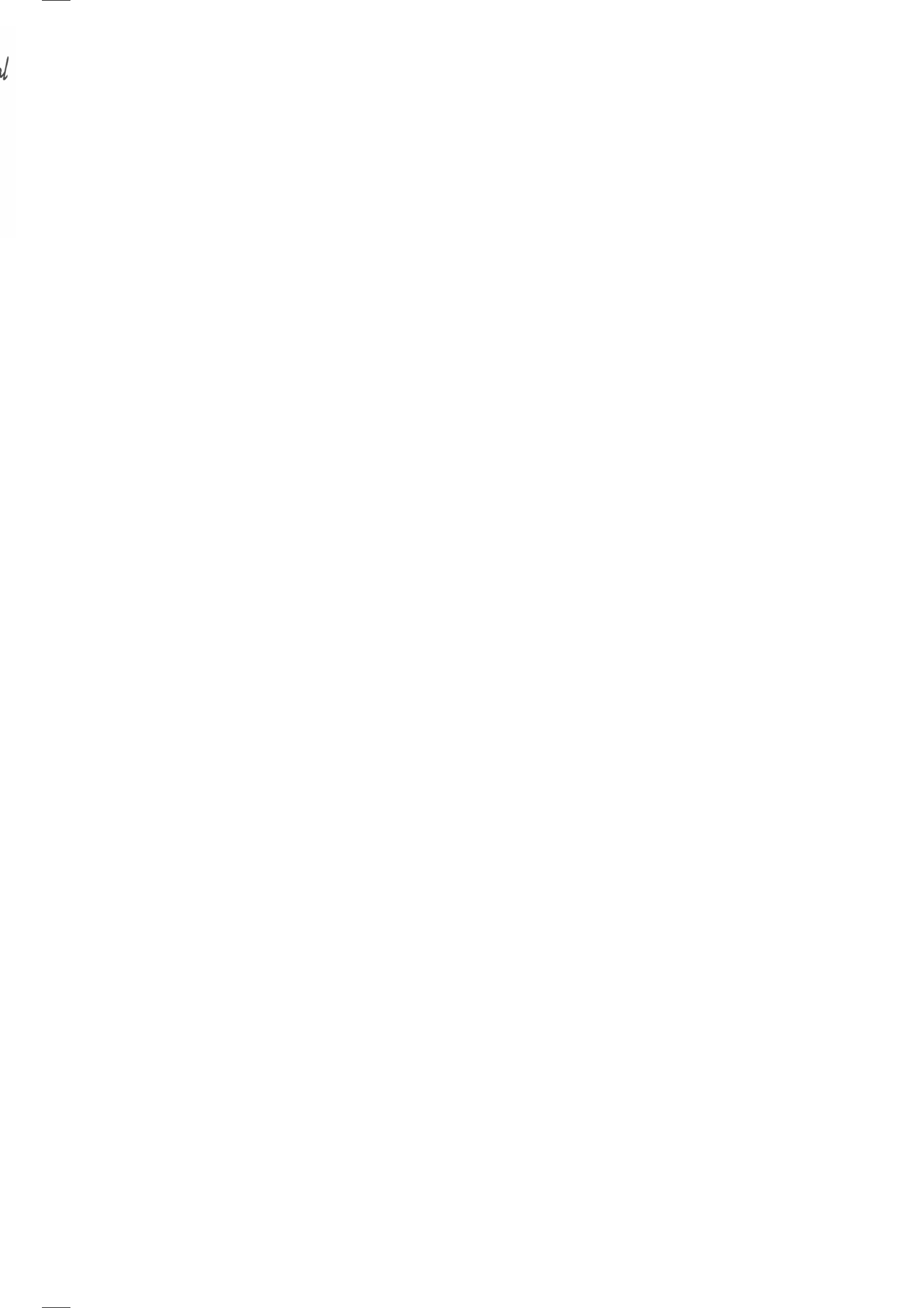
This Term's School Dates:

(All dates are inclusive)

Autumn Term 2 2010:

Monday 1st November 2010 to

Tuesday 21st December 2010



What the children need next week

Foundation Stage PE kits Monday and Friday.

Year 1 Bookworm on Friday morning. 8.55 –9.20. PE Kits Mondays.

Year 2/3A PE Kits Monday & Wednesday

Year 2/3B PE Kits Wednesday

Year 4/5A PE kits Thursday & Friday.

Year 4/5B PE kits Wed/Thursday

Year 5/ 6 PE kits Tuesday.

Monday

12.30pm **Study Club** Mrs Brocklebank & Mrs Wilde

3.15pm - 4.15pm **Football** Club Mr Burton years 4,5,& 6

3.15pm-4.15pm **Board Games** Miss Atkinson & Miss Baitson years 2 & 3

Today's Menu Savoury Minced Beef with vegetables, diced potatoes, peas & carrots. **Vegetarian option:** Plain Omelette.

Dessert: Coconut Shortcake & custard.

Tuesday

NEW!! 3.15-4.15 **Gymnastic Club** Outside coach

Today's Menu: Roast Beef & gravy, roast potato, carrots & cabbage. **Vegetarian option:** Vegetable pie & gravy. **Dessert:** Semolina & peach puree.

Wednesday

12.30pm **Reading Buddies** Mrs Mcllwaine & Miss Northen

12.30pm **Board Games 2** Ms Saint years 4,5 & 6

3.15pm—4.15pm **Cookery Club** Miss Pullen

Today's Menu: Southern style chicken, potato wedges, peas & sweet corn. **Vegetarian option:** Spaghetti Napolitano. **Dessert:** Steamed chocolate sponge & pink sauce

Thursday

12.30pm **Steel Drums** Mr Browning - Year 6

12.30pm **Study Club** Mrs Brocklebank & Mrs Wilde

Today's Menu: Roast pork loin & gravy, boiled potato mixed vegetables. **Vegetarian option:** Vegetable Lasagne. **Dessert:** Baked ginger sponge & custard.

Friday

Today's Menu Jumbo fish fingers, chips, peas & sweet corn. **Vegetarian option:** Leek pasta bake. **Dessert:** Apricot Shortcake Biscuit.

