



# Cubington C of E Primary School

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**Achieving, Belonging, Caring**

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Newsletter No.6

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been lovely to see so many of you at our first parents evening of the academic year. I hope that you found your time with your child's teacher informative and that you are now aware of the next steps that they need to take to progress their learning. I also hope that you had the opportunity to speak to some of our governors who were available during the evening and are interested to discuss your thoughts about your child's time at school so far this term.

I was very proud to take the Year 6 house captains to the Service of Remembrance for Warwickshire Schools that was held at St Mary's church in Warwick this morning. There were over 500 school children in attendance and it was a lovely service. If you haven't had the chance to view the poppy displays in St Mary's Warwick I urge you to go before it is taken down.

Our school raised an amazing £239.36 for the Royal British Legion this year – thank you for all of your support.



## Staffing

We have said an emotional goodbye to Mrs Jo Greenway today and she was totally overwhelmed by the generosity of our families. We decided to put all of the donations together from families, staff and governors and we bought her a beautiful locket necklace and bracelet from Pandora, a jewellery box, flowers, chocolates and Ticketmaster vouchers to enable her to choose an event to go to. We will really miss Jo and we wish her all the best in her new job.



We have recruited to replace Jo's role in school and we will have two new faces in our office from next Monday. Mrs Shweta Roy will work during the first half of the week and Miss Alex James will take over for the second half. Mrs Roy has been a teaching assistant at Cubington for a number of years and has helped out in the office occasionally in the past. Miss James has an administrative background, she is local to the village and attended our school herself. They will cross over for most of Wednesday to ensure that the handover is smooth. I'm sure that you will help us to welcome them and that they will get to know all of our families and children quickly.

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### **Pantomime**

We have arranged for the Pantomime to visit us on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December at school and we are asking for a voluntary contribution of £3.50 per child to cover the costs. You will find this on Parent Pay.

### **Milo**

Mrs Edmonds brought Milo into school this week to meet some of the children and to get him used to the school environment. He was very happy to be with us and he really enjoyed meeting staff and children.



### **After school football**

We are still trying to get the children outside for their football clubs but many of them are not bring suitable footwear for the field. If you have football boots please send these in on the day that your child attends the club.

### **Vacancies**

We currently have a vacancies for a midday supervisor for 3 lunchtimes per week and another for 5 lunchtimes per week. The lunchtime sessions run from 12.15 to 1.30 each day  
We also have a vacancy for a cleaner for 7.5 hours per week.

If you are interested or know someone who may be then please share our details and get in touch with the office to have a chat with Mrs Jones.

### **PTA**

The PTA are very busy getting ready for the Christmas fair on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December. To help them we ask the children to wear christmas hats to school on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November in return for chocolate and sweets for a tombola and on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December they can wear a christmas jumper in return for a bottle for the tombola. The Christmas fair starts after school on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December and all are welcome.

### **School Games**

On Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> November eight children attended the boccia and archery event at Champion School. They were all excited as many had not tried archery or boccia before and were looking forward to learning new skills. The children split into teams and competed against other local schools with the guidance of the year 5 and 6 School Games Sports Ambassadors. Fern, Riley, Rafal, Jack, Emma, Jordan, Maggie and Marie competed very well and came first in the archery in the morning and second in the afternoon, a fabulous result! The children were thrilled! Thank you to the Sports Ambassadors from our school who supported the children at the event, they were a great credit to our school – James, Evelyn, Christopher, Libby and Katie.



On Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> November a group of children from Year 6 attended the third cross country event of the season at Priorsfield School, Kenilworth. It was another nail-biting morning cheering on the competitors, yet again they showed their amazing stamina and strength achieving fabulous positions. The girls team was Ila, Emilia, Evelyn and Rosie and the boys team was Sebastian and Daniel with the support of James and Archie from Year 5 who joined and ran for a bit of training in preparation for next year! We are so proud of all these children, the final race is on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> November in Warwick, good luck!



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### **Violin lessons**

Following our mini violin concert last week we have recruited several new players and we have some spaces left for beginners. If you are interested in your child starting please get in touch with the school office.

### **Emergency Weather Procedures**

As we move into winter, please take note of the following procedures in the event that school has to close due to severe weather. Whilst we endeavour to remain open all year, closure can be caused by insufficient teaching levels, lack of heating or hot dinner provision, or potential safety risks.

- In the event of closure we will contact Warwickshire County Council in the first instance. Please sign up to the Council notification system to receive a text message notifying of closure (<http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/schoolclosures>).
- We will send an email to everyone on our mailing list.
- It may be that school opens as usual in the morning, but then a decision is taken to close in extreme situations; you will be notified as soon as possible by text. Rest assured that all children will be cared for in school until parents/carers can either get to school or make arrangements for children to be collected.

It is essential that telephone numbers are kept up to date so that contact can be made in the event of such emergency closures, please remember to inform the office of any changes.

### **Christmas postbox**

The Christmas postbox will be open from Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December. All children can post Christmas cards to their friends and teachers and these will be delivered by the Year 6 post people in the last week of term. The last day for posting cards will be Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December.

Please check that your child writes the full name and class on the envelope to ensure accurate delivery. Unfortunately class teachers are not able to give out class lists to parents. The year 6 post people will be collecting donations for postage which will go to a charity of their choice and we suggest a single donation of 50p for an unlimited number of cards - Bargain!

This is the method that we recommend for distributing cards in school as children will not have the opportunity to hand their cards out individually so please encourage them to get writing and posting!

### **Autumn term dates for your diaries**

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> November – Parents evening 4-7pm

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November – Wear a Christmas hat and bring in some sweets or chocolate for the Christmas fair

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November – Year 5 sharing assembly 9.10

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November – Wear a Christmas jumper and bring in a bottle for the tombola

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December – Reception sharing assembly 9.10

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December – PTA Christmas fair 3.45-5.30

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December – 2.30 KS1 production

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December – 9.30 KS1 Production

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December – Pantomime at school for all children

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December – School Christmas lunch

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December – KS2 Carol service in school 2.30

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December – 2.45 Christmas sing a long

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December – Break up for Christmas

### **Inset days 2018-2019**

The remaining INSET days for this academic will be on:

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2019

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2019

You will find the term dates for the 2018-2019 academic year [here](#)

I hope that you have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

Juliet Jones

Head teacher

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