



## Events Newsletter



There are quite a few events over the next few weeks so we thought we'd bring you a special Events Newsletter so that you are aware of what's happening! If you'd like to get involved or have any ideas about other events or how we should publicise them, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

### Tuesday 13th November

*National Week of Kindness*

As part of our work next week on Kindness, there will be a whole school "Friendship" afternoon on **Tuesday 13th November**, where children work together in cross-class groups to establish what makes good friends, how we can help our friends and have a bit of fun exploring some crafts and

### Children in Need - 16th November

*Let's get Spotty!*

The PTFA and Mrs Jones have kindly organised the Children in Need fundraising this year. Children are asked to bring in £1 and in return can come to school on **16th November** in their pyjamas! Mrs Grant will also be filling a giant Pudsey in the Hall with pennies - please do bring in any you have.

artwork. Thanks to Mrs Chesterfield for organising this, it promises to be a wonderful afternoon.

The whole school will be sharing their work on Friendship in Celebration Assembly on **Friday 16th Nov.**

**Don't forget the Year 4 Trombone concert on Wednesday 14th November at 11.30am! There will be a professional musician playing with them and the year 4s (aka "The Funky Bones") are excited to show your their progress.**

## Stag WW2 Day

*Evacuee visitors*

Our KS2 children really enjoyed their visits to the Bampton Heritage Centre this week and found out so much about local life during the war.

Next week we have a visitor joining us for our English lesson on **Thursday**. Mrs Cottrell's mother was evacuated with her family to Devon in World War 2 and she has kindly agreed to come and talk to the children about her experiences.

On **Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> November** we have another visitor coming in to share her experiences of life in World War 2. On this day we will also be holding a World War 2 day. The children will be taking part in activities related to World War 2 and life in the 1940s all day.

All children are invited to dress up in World War 2 outfits for the day. Please do not spend money on these and please see the reverse of the letter for ideas for dressing up.

There will be a Pudsey competition too for children to improve Pudsey's overall appearance!

## Thika Assembly

*Kenyatta Road visit*

In October representatives from the Exeter Diocese made a visit to the Thika Diocese in Kenya, with whom St Michael and All Angels is linked. Some of our children wrote letters to the school in Thika and the PTFA were kind enough to send over stationary and pencils too.

On **November 21st**, one of those visitors, the Revd Prebendary Nick Shutt, acting Archdeacon of Plymouth, will present a special assembly to the children. He stayed with the Vicar of Kenyatta Road Church during his time in Kenya and had the opportunity of meeting the staff and children at the school. You are more than welcome to come to this Assembly at 3pm.

## Author Visit

# Christmas!!!

Apologies if you aren't ready for this word yet but it will soon be upon us! KS1 is already practising the Nativity for this year (and it sounds great!).

A brief overview of events so far look like this:

**Mon 3rd Dec:** PTFA Xmas fair in Riverside Hall

**Tues 18th Dec: 2pm** KS1 Nativity: "Hey Ewe!"

**Weds 19th Dec:** Carol singing at Barnhaven  
**4.30pm** KS1 Nativity: Hey Ewe!

**Thurs 20th Dec:** "Christmas Jumper day" in school and Christmas Lunch

**3.30-5pm** PTFA Christmas Disco!

**Friday 21st Dec:** 2pm Christmas Service at St Michael & all angels followed by mulled wine and mince pies (PTFA towards PE Kit).

Also on the **21st November**, we are delighted to welcome Emma Carroll to school. She is the author of the book "Letters to the Lighthouse" which Stag Class are currently really enjoying. It's a fantastic opportunity for children to actually meet the person who has written a book they've read! She'll also bring enough copies of the book so that children can get them signed by her. The cost of those books is £6. Ms Carroll was in fact fully booked for this term but as she lives close by on the Somerset Hills, she's been kind enough to squeeze us in. This will be an event that the children will remember for a long time and we are pleased to be able to provide it.

**There are more events planned on the School Website (see below) including one more non-uniform day on the 30th November! This is to raise "stock" for the Parent Present stall at the PTFA Christmas Fair (3rd December). The idea is that on Friday 30th, your child brings in a present that would be a good Christmas gift for a parent. They then have the chance to buy it (or other similarly high quality presents...) from the Parent Present Stall at the Fair in the Riverside Hall.**

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