

MARCHWOOD JUNIOR SCHOOL

NOVEMBER 2009 - NEWSLETTER

Firstly, a really big thank you and well done to all the P.T.A. Committee members and helpers from our school and the Infant School for organising such an outstanding Firework Night. It was an excellent evening in every respect and the fireworks themselves were very impressive.

Children in Need – you should have all received a letter regarding Children in Need on Friday 20th November. All children can come to school dressed in their pyjamas and/or bring a cuddly toy and/or have a bandana worn in an interesting way. We would appreciate a donation of 50p or more. Pudsey bear biscuits will also be on sale during the break time on Friday 20th November for 20p each.

Christmas Fayre – will be held on 27th November between 5.30pm and 8.30pm. The PTA are working very hard to ensure that this year's Fayre is a success so please do come along to support this event.

Christmas Performance - we will soon be starting rehearsals for this and allocating parts. Dress rehearsals and evening performances will take place between Tuesday 8th and Thursday 10th December. Details to follow along with the usual ticket request letter. Please let your child's class teacher know asap if your child will not be able to take part.

Car Parking – when you come to our Christmas Fayre and Performances, would you **please, please** leave the car at home if at all possible to avoid congestion in the Village Centre Car Park. In particular, please be mindful of the Village Hall car park as users of the Hall will need access to the parking spaces immediately in front of it. On this

note, again when parking to collect children from school at the end of the school day please leave the Village Hall spaces free if at all possible and do not double park as this prevents other cars from leaving or parking. Thank you!

Operation Christmas Child - thank you to all who have sent in filled shoe boxes. The deadline has now passed and the boxes were collected early on this week.

School Christmas Lunch – this year our Christmas lunch will be on **Tuesday 15th December** and will be offered to *every* child in school. If your child would like a school lunch, kindly complete the attached menu form and return to school **no later than Wednesday 2nd December** together with £2 payment. If you have already paid for this half term's dinners, including Tuesdays, please indicate on the form but do not send in payment. Children who would prefer to have sandwiches are invited to bring a 'festive' packed lunch, including a paper hat!

Parent Support Group for Autism and Aspergers – we are considering starting up a support group for parents who are dealing with children with this need. If you are interested, please let the office know and we will be in touch at the start of the Spring term with more details.

Pupil Data Checking – a reminder to parents to please remember to let the office know of any changes to phone numbers, addresses, etc. or changes in medical details for their children, and to collect a new data checking sheet if necessary.

School Website – Don't forget to keep looking at our school website at www.marchwood-jun.hants.sch.uk

Reminder re early closure on Fri 18th December – please don't forget that the school will be closing at 1.30 pm on the last day of term. As last year, children will need to be collected at that time in exactly the same way as they are collected at 3.30 pm on every

other day. Thank you for your support and cooperation.

We look forward to seeing you at the Christmas Fayre and/or the Christmas Performances.

Stephen Bassett
Headteacher

Evelyn Denison
Deputy Head



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Dates:

Friday 27 th November	PTA Christmas Fayre 5.30 – 8.30 p.m.
Tuesday 8 th December	1.30 p.m. Christmas Performance Dress Rehearsal
Wednesday 9 th December	7 p.m. Christmas Performance – details to follow
Thursday 10 th December	7 p.m. Christmas Performance – details to follow
Friday 11 th December	PTA Christmas Disco 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.
Friday 18th December	Last Day of Term. School will finish at 1.30 p.m.
Monday 4th Jan. 2010	INSET DAY. School Closed. Children do not attend.
Tuesday 5th January 2010	Children return to school
Wednesday 6th Jan. 2010	Meeting for Parents of Yr 5 children who will be going to Little Canada – 6.30 p.m.
Monday 7th June 2010	INSET DAY. School closed. Children do not attend.

NB For parents wishing to book summer holidays, the last day of the summer term will be:
Friday 23rd July 2010

School term/holiday dates for current year and 2010-11: These can be found by looking at www.hants.gov.uk/education. If you would like a paper copy please ask at School Office.