# Northleaze C of E Primary School

'Let your light shine.' (Matthew 5:16)

## Newsletter 12 8th December 2023





## Upcoming events

Please find a list of diary dates:

9<sup>th</sup> Dec – PSA Christmas Fair 12<sup>th</sup> Dec – Year 1 & Year 2 Nativity performance, 9.30am 13<sup>th</sup> Dec – Nine Lessons and Carols Service for KS2 pupils, 6.30pm 20<sup>th</sup> Dec – Last day of term

**2<sup>nd &</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan** – Bristol Sport Holiday Camp 4<sup>th</sup> Jan – Children return to school

#### **Reminders**

Please remember that the school gates close at **8.50am** promptly every morning, at which point your child should be in or on their way into their classroom. We appreciate it's coming to the end of a long term but please ensure your child/ren arrive on time. Thank you.

#### **NAP Club toy request**

NAP Club have asked if anyone has any Barbie type or similar toys that they have outgrown of and would be kind enough to donate to their toy stock. Please let one of the NAP staff know if you can help.

#### Thinking about Christmas Dear God,

We thank you for this amazing time of year, when we celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus. Throughout the festive season, joyful or otherwise, let us remember we can turn to you, God, in prayer. We pray for people who go without at Christmas, or who are sad. Please provide for them Lord, even if it means we are to provide for them. We pray for our families and friends, that they have a funfilled, happy and peaceful time. In Jesus' name. Amen.



On Thursday we welcomed parents and relatives to join our youngest children and watch them perform their Nativity. It was a wonderful occasion and a heartwarming way for us to start thinking about and celebrating the story of Christmas! Thank you to the Reception and Nursery staff team for all their hard work in putting this together; it was very much enjoyed by everyone.



#### **Christmas lunch fun**

A big thanks to Aspens and our lunchtime team who made the Christmas lunch so tasty and fun for both children and staff on Thursday. Classes enjoyed eating all together in the hall, along with most of the teaching staff and some Christmas music.

#### **Choir take part in Christmas Celebration**

Our Choir certainly has been busy this term! On Monday evening, they joined three other schools at St Michael's Centre in Stoke Gifford to perform a wonderful set of festive songs. With a rehearsal during the afternoon followed by a performance in front of a full audience, they sang beautifully and behaved impeccably throughout. The event was compered by CBBC presenter Naomi Wilkinson and the choir were thrilled to have the opportunity to meet her!



On Friday, they also took another trip to the Community Centre in Long Ashton and sang to elderly members of the All Saints Church community during their Christmas lunch.

Have a lovely weekend – hope to see many of you at the Christmas Fair tomorrow!

Victoria Reyes, Headteacher

## PSA Christmas Fair this Saturday 1-4pm

We're looking forward to even more Christmas spirit on Saturday at the PSA Christmas Fair! Please do join us from 1-4pm for fun and games, a fantastic Grotto, stalls, refreshments and a great Raffle.

## Staff singing performance - 1.45pm KS2 Choir performance - 2.30pm Raffle – 3.30pm

A huge thank you in advance to all the brilliant PSA reps and helpers and everyone who has donated prizes for the auction and raffle.

#### **Celebration Assembly**

Congratulations to Joshua and Alice (Rec), Laura and Lucas (Year 1), Stanley and Aoife (Year 2), Molly and Johnny (Year 3), Theo and Neve (Year 4), Liza and Archie (Year 5) and Chloe and Jonny(Year 6) who were all awarded certificates for fantastic learning this week!

Congratulations also to Toby (Rec), Freya (Year 1), Scarlett (Year 2), Savana (Year 3), Arabella (Year 4) Lilly (Year 5) and Archer (Year 6) who were the recipients of this week's 'creativity' leaves. Well done everyone, another brilliant week!

### **House Points and Birthdays**

Congratulations to **Ashton** who were this week's house point winners!



Happy birthday to Asa (Year 3) and Stanley (Year 2) who are both celebrating their birthdays today. We hope you both have a lovely day!

#### **Bristol Sport Holiday and After School clubs**

Don't forget that Bristol Sport are running their Forever Sports Holiday camps over the festive period. They will run at Birdwell School on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> and Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December and then <u>at Northleaze</u> on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January. Bristol Sport have also opened bookings for **next year's after school clubs**. Please see attached for more details. We'll send an email about all next year's clubs next week.

#### Advent and Christmas at All Saints Church

You can see all of the services taking place at All Saints during the festive period <u>on their website</u>.



The very popular **Christingle Service** is being held on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December at 10.00am; the **Christmas Carol Service** on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December at 6.00pm; and the traditional **Crib Service** on Christmas Eve at 3.00pm.