A CHRISTMAS CAROL

Tickets for our pantomime "A Christmas Carol" are on sale on the School Shop on School Money, priced at £6 each. The show will take place on Tuesday 7th November at 4.30pm in school and will last about one hour and ten minutes. It will be performed by M&M Productions who always put on a very funny, entertaining show for us. Please note that children must be accompanied by a responsible adult at all times - school staff will not take responsibility for the children. We hope you are able to join us!

POPPY APPEAL

We will once again be supporting the Poppy Appeal and items will go on sale after half term. Sales will be cash only and Items will be sold at breaktimes while stocks last. We are asking for the following minimum donations:

Poppy: 50p; Zip pull: 50p; Reflector: 50p; Wrist bands: £1; Snap bands: £1.50

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SWIMMING

Swimming is a compulsory part of the National Curriculum and we aim for all children to be able to swim 25m by the time they leave us. We expect all children to participate on a weekly basis except in exceptional circumstances. If your child is unable to take part in this lesson for any reason, please put this in writing to your child's teacher via ClassDojo, email or a hand-written note. Your child will need appropriate swimming kit which is a one-piece swimsuit (or tankini) and trunks/ shorts that are above the knee. For some children, if this is not acceptable due to religious beliefs, alternative swimwear will be appropriate - please contact your child's teacher for more details. Your child will also need a towel; long hair needs to be tied back or contained in a swimming cap and goggles are optional. Staff will not remove earrings so please ensure that your child comes to school without them on swimming days or is able to remove them themselves. Watches and earrings are brought at your own risk. Year 5 currently go swimming every Tuesday and it will be Year 4's turn after Christmas. Thank you for your co-operation.

SECONDARY SCHOOL ADMISSIONS

A reminder for Year 6 parents and carers that the deadline for applying for a secondary school place is 31st October 2023. If you would like any assistance with this, please get in touch with us via the school office. Everything you need to know about the admissions process can be found here: <u>https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/</u>info/20119/ school admissions/1778/ secondary school year 7 admissions/1

ASTON VILLA HALF TERM ACTIVITIES

Aston Villa will be holding soccer schools in various locations during half term. See the attached flier for details. Please note this is not anything to do with Beeches Junior School and we make no guarantees about it but we are happy to let you know about it on Aston Villa's behalf.

DIWALI

We are looking forward to celebrating Diwali in school on Friday 10th November. This will be a non-uniform day where children are encouraged to wear traditional outfits or party clothes. There will be various activities throughout the day including food tasting, so please make sure we have up-to-date dietary information.

STAR AWARDS

Thank you to all the parents, carers and family members who came to join in the celebration of our Star Awards this week! You are a massive part of your children's success. Huge congratulations to our first award winners of this year. They are: 3C: Saliou, Mojola, Gina, Kaycee-Mai, Isaac 3L: Rashand, Jaxxon, Anaiya, Alythia, Zakariyah 3P: Lucian, Toby, Ella-Rae, Jaya, Areesha 3W: Amy, Hania, Lewis, Javeria, Mason 4B: Willow, Zainuddin, Mikey, Riley, Aishah, Sienna 4F: Shanae, Sukhraj, Aydin, Mustakim, Amy, Taylan 4L: Thisev, Jeeya, Angel, Zayn, Ayesha, Elijah 5A: Mustafa, Latifa, Bonnie, Gracie, Talvyn, Jayden 5P: Tegan, Zayn, Molly, Dani, Parker, Lori 5W: Jessica, Humaira, Maddison, Dominic, Shyam, Ilkai 6IS: Ellie, Mohammed, Olivia, Karman, Finn, Shiv 6MS: Laicee-Rae, Cameron, Nasrin, Kobi-Marcus, Amira, Alpha 6SM: Subhan, Holly, Eloise, Yugjit, James, Liam

DIARY DATES

Fri 27 Oct	Break up for half term		
Mon 6 Nov	School reopens		
Tue 7 Nov	Professor McGinty visiting Year 4		
Tue 7 Nov, 4.30pm	"A Christmas Carol" pantomime		
Wed 8 Nov	Professor McGinty visiting Year 5		
Thu 9 Nov	Photographer in school		
Fri 10 Nov	Diwali celebrations - non-uniform		
Fri 17 Nov	Flu immunisations		
Tue 21 Nov	Year 5 cinema visit		
Thu 7 Dec	Non-uniform - Christmas Jumper Day		
Thu 7 Dec, 3.30pm	Christmas Fayre		
Mon 11 Dec	Year 6 visit to Beaumanor		
Thu 21 Dec	Christmas dinner		
Fri 22 Dec	Last day of term		
Tue 9 Jan 2024	School reopens		

BEECHES BRILLIANT READERS	TEAM POINTS		
Year 3: Huraira (3W)	1.	Team Zephaniah	856
Year 4: Zac (4F)	2.	Team Cadbury	771
Year 5: Mina (5A)	3.	Team Malala	751
Year 6: Richmond (6IS)	4.	Team Lewis	699

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OCTOBER HALF TERM SOCCER SCHOOLS

Time: Age: Venues: 9:30 - 15:30

5 - 12 Aston (Aston Villa FC Inner City Academy) Aston GK Course (2nd & 3rd Nov only) Burntwood (Highfields Primary School) Harborne (Lordswood Girls School) Sutton Coldfield (Sutton Coldfield Town FC)

