**Biggin C of E Primary School**

Newsletter 2 for Autumn Term Two (5/11/18 – 21/12/18)

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What a brilliant week we had in school last week! Everywhere children were working hard and enjoying their learning.

I was so proud to see the children's lovely work displayed in the church for Remembrance. Key Stage 1's gorgeous poppies made stunning wreaths and Key Stage 2 made a beautiful collage and a super display of drawings, poppies designed on the computer and letters. Julia Hewgill worked so hard to put everyone's work together as a community and in the words of Year 6, “The church has never looked so beautiful”. I hope you managed to have a look, too. What a tribute!

On Friday, Key Stage 2 met the wife of an advisor to the Pharaoh at Derby Museum. Two children were mummified but fortunately lived to tell the tale! Everyone made clay figures and had an amazing time exploring the mummies and other exhibits in the museum. The children were brilliantly behaved and the day was enjoyed by everyone.

Last week there was a Friends of Biggin School (FOBS) meeting in school. This small group of very committed parents have some fantastic ideas to raise money up to Easter. The money they raise all goes to provide children with extra trips and resources which we could not otherwise have. The run up to Christmas is going to be a particularly busy time for them. Please look out for ways you can support their fundraising on this newsletter each week and if you feel you can lend a hand please let us know.

The next library van visit will be on Wednesday, 5th December. We're really lucky to enjoy their resources delivered straight to our door. It's really helpful if children can remember to bring in their library books on that day, ready to get a new one. Thank you.

**Reminders for this week: 12th – 18th November**

Monday KS2 swimming today

After-school STEM club for those who requested a place

Tuesday 1) 10:30 Anya Acres will be here with her new book ‘Ollie discovers the dinosaurs’. If

you would like a signed copy; these will be available at £7.99 or you may purchase

both ‘Ollie discovers the dinosaurs’ and ‘Ollie discovers the planets’ for a bargain

£14.00, please call in or order via pre-school or school – cash only.

2) KS2 after-school Construction club today

3) Governors’ Health & Safety committee meeting

Wednesday After-school music club for those in years 4 – 6

Thursday ‘Show & Tell’ for Sophia, Jorge & Eleanor

NO after-school sport coaching now until the Summer terms

Well, how strange! The Bonus Ball draw for Saturday 10th November was, once again, number 53, a free number therefore winnings will roll-over yet again to this Saturday’s draw.

Christmas lunch and party – thank you to those who have let the office know, for those who haven’t – we’ll order your child a school lunch on both days = £4.20 per child.

***Saturday 17th November*** – Biggin Village Hall –**‘Crossings’** (a play with music) tickets £10.00 from Janice Wooliscroft – School House, Biggin or call 01298 84907

Pre-school request – if you are having a clear out before Christmas and have anything in good, clean and safe condition that you were thinking of donating to a charity, please can they ask to be considered? The pre-school is in particular need of

* Small world farm animals, toys and set-up
* Playdoh
* Dressing up items
* Role play items (tea-sets, first aid kits etc)
* Good quality, age appropriate books.

Please don’t forget:

* While you are Christmas shopping online – just use ***easyfundraising*** to help raise money for Biggin CE Primary School, you can register using this unique link – just search for 'Biggin CE Primary School ' and click ‘support us’ - <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/invite/3DFJ49/392CEE/> Plus, once you’ve signed up and raised £5 in donations, easyfundraising will give us an extra £5 donation. There’s no catch or hidden charges and Biggin CE Primary School will be really grateful for your donations.
* Sorry to nag, but we look after your children on a regular basis and we have become rather fond of them! Small batteries will soon be around in all sorts of season items (Christmas jumpers and lights etc). ***These are so dangerous***. You may realise that it is not a good idea to swallow foreign objects but did you also realise that a battery will react with bodily fluid and burn, and burn as it travels down which of course ends up being fatal. Please take care xx

‘Show and Tell’ rota Autumn 2

November

*15th Sophia, Jorge & Eleanor*

*22nd Erynn*

*29rd Eddy, Ethan & Elsie*

December

*6th Jacob W, Harry & Casey*

*13th Chloe, Carrie & Jacob S*

November

12th Anti-bullying week / National school meals week

17th **‘Crossings’** (a play with music)

19th KS1 & KS2 parent consultations = NO after-school club

20th KS2 parent consultations = = NO after-school club

26th chocolate bags, boxes and/or bars to school please

27th whole school Christmas treat

29th years 5 & 6 RE conference at Hartington

December

3rd donations for the luxury hamper (1st prize in the raffle)

5th library van due to call

6th years 3 & 4 to an after-school Basketball festival at Q.E.G.S. (transport provided)

9th Biggin Village Hall ‘Sing-along-Christmas-Carols’ with Warslow Silver Band, ***ticket required***

10th raffle prize & mince pies to school please

17th more mince pies gratefully received in school (for the concert, not the staff-room!)

18th Christmas concert

19th Christmas lunch in the village hall

20th ‘Dick Whittington’ Pantomime at Buxton Opera House

21st Christmas party / break up for the Christmas holiday

Return to school Monday 7th January 2019

F.O.B.S. Christmas raffle & fundraising stalls for School Funds

Following the meeting held in school last week, it was decided to ask for donations for the raffle, (1st prize to be a luxury hamper), chocolate bars/boxes/bags for games and mince pies to serve at the Christmas Concert. Items will all be gratefully received and if it helps, please spread the donations over a few weeks: -

26th November chocolate prizes for games

3rd December hamper donations gratefully received – these is a list in the hallway, please

have a look & pop your name against an item (or 2 or even 3!)

10th December a raffle prize and mince pies

17th December mince pies

Thank you in advance for your help. Hopefully you realise that all monies raised go toward your child/children enjoying extra activities and treats whilst at Biggin Primary. FOBS have offered to pay the first £5.00 of the pantomime trip, coach costs and party day expenditure.

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*Form to be completed and returned to school, by Wednesday 14th November please, parent evening times can then be sent out on Thursday.*

Parent evening consultations

These will take place on Monday 19th November for those in KS1 and for their siblings in KS2.

The majority of KS2 appointments will be on Tuesday 20th November, but there will be a few appointment slots on Monday 19th. Consultations will take place between 3.40pm and 5.40pm.

KS1 - Monday time range \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

KS2 – preferred day and time range \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Pantomime at Buxton Opera House on Thursday 20th December.

You have \_\_\_\_\_ seats & \_\_\_\_\_ vanilla ice-creams booked at an inclusive cost of £\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Please: a) let school know if this is incorrect

b) send payment to school in cash or by cheque made payable to Biggin School

c) let school know if you are providing your own transport