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## *Learning together for life*

### Newsletter 5

Wednesday 23 November 2016

Dear parents and carers,

#### **Exciting visit from author and illustrator Gail Clarke**

We are pleased to welcome children's author, illustrator and storyteller Gail Clarke to our school on **Monday 28 November**. Gail will spend the day with us sharing stories in each class during the day. After school, there will be an opportunity to buy Gail's books at a price of £5.50 per book or two books for £10. Please collect your child then go to the school hall from 3:30pm on the day if you are interested in purchasing her books.

#### **Illness**

I would like to remind you about our policy regarding illness which is based on the *Public Health England Guidance on Infection Control in Schools (updated May 2016)*. This guidance provides information about whether children should be kept away from school and if so, for how long. This guidance is available online. I would like to draw your attention, in particular, to the recommended period to be kept away from school in the case of diarrhoea and vomiting. In this instance, children should not return to school until 48 hours after the last episode of vomiting or diarrhoea.

Taking steps to prevent the spread of illness is always important but it is even more so now in our school as we have a family with a medically complex and immune compromised child. The health and wellbeing of the child who is at risk will depend on the co-operation of all our parents/carers and I am sure that you will all want to help. Would you please therefore inform the school if you suspect that your child/ren may have an infection and ensure that you follow the recommendations in the guidance mentioned above. The family and I would like to thank all of you in advance for your understanding and co-operation in this important matter.

#### **Friends' disco**

Thank you to everyone who organised and ran the Friends' disco on Friday 4 November in our school hall. A superb £241 was raised for the school!

#### **Bag2School**

Many thanks for all of your donations to Bag2School. Just over £90 was raised.


#### **Children in Need**

Thank you for your generosity on Children in Need day last week. We raised £106.95 for the charity. There were some amazingly dressed cuddly toys who were entered into the "most imaginatively dressed cuddly toy" competition which was planned and judged by members of the School Council. Thank you also for your donations to the Christmas fair tombola which takes place this Friday straight after school (full details below).

#### **Friends' Christmas fair**

The Friends' Christmas fair takes place **this Friday from 3:30pm**. There will be a selection of stalls offering a variety of crafts and other items to purchase including Christmas decorations made by some of the children. The Friends would be extremely grateful for donations of cakes, cup-cakes and biscuits to sell at the fair. All donations should be brought to the school hall on Friday morning. Please do join us for this event and invite family and friends to come along too.

#### **Facebook**

 If you use Facebook and would like our new page to appear in your newsfeed, please "like" the page. Our username is @KOBPrimary and so far we have 63 "likes". We are using the page to share photos, news and events. Anything we post on Facebook will also appear on the school's Twitter account which can be viewed by going to the school website ([www.kobps.lincs.sch.uk](http://www.kobps.lincs.sch.uk)) or by following us on Twitter (@KOBPrimary).

### Book fair

The Scholastic Book Fair is currently in school and will be here until **Monday 28 November**. It runs each day from 3.30 - 4.00pm in the library. You are invited to come in between these times to browse through the selection of books on offer. The school receives commission if sales exceed £300. Our thanks go to Joanne Brewster for kindly agreeing to run the fair for us.

### Donation to the school

Our thanks go to the Woodhall Spa Country Show for the kind donation of £100 to the school.

### Christingle service

If you are intending to join us at the Christingle service on **Monday 5 December at 4:30pm**, please return the reply slip which was at the bottom of the Christingle letter (available on the website) by **Friday 25 November**. Thank you.

### Sumdog competition



From **Friday** we will be competing in a Sumdog mathematics contest against a number of other schools in Lincolnshire. The contest will last for one week and prizes are being offered for the top schools as well as certificates for the top ten pupils. Pupils get one point for each question that they answer correctly. They can contribute up to 1000 questions towards the contest. The Sumdog website can be accessed from a link on the class pages of the school website. Every child in school has an account and I hope that you will help them log in and use the website at home. Hopefully your child will know his/her account information but if unsure or if you have any other questions about this, please check with the class teacher.

### Friends' Christmas dinner and Christmas jumper day

Today you will receive a letter from Joanne Brewster, on behalf of the Friends, regarding the annual Friends' Christmas dinner which takes place on **Tuesday 13 December**. On the day all children and staff will go, by coach, to Coningsby Community Centre for a wonderful festive meal thanks to the generosity of all of you. This day will also be "Christmas Jumper Day". We would like to invite everyone to wear a Christmas jumper on the day. Please don't go out and buy a special Christmas themed jumper unless you want to; any jumper will do (you might even decide to decorate a normal jumper with tinsel!). In exchange, we ask for a donation of £1 which will go to Save the Children.

### Christmas events

Below are details of the forthcoming Christmas events:

Wednesday 14 December: Carol service: Our annual carol service, which includes Maple's nativity performance, will take place on Wednesday 14 December at 2pm and again at 6pm at St Mary's Church. Please do join us for one, or both, of the services. All children are expected to return for the evening performance and should be brought back to school at 5.45pm (no earlier please). They will walk up to the church, and back to school after the service, with staff.

Friday 16 December: Christmas parties in school: Christmas parties take place on Friday 16 December. In a change to previous years, all classes will be partying during the school day and should be collected at 3.30pm as usual. The children may bring with them party clothes to change into. Each class teacher will be sending out requests for party food contributions nearer the time. Thank you, in advance, for your donations.

Monday 19 December: Pantomime : We are off to see "Peter Pan" at the Embassy Theatre in Skegness on Monday 19 December. The coaches will leave school just after 9.00am. We will have lunch before we return to school so all children will need a packed lunch (either from home or ordered from the Farm Kitchen by midnight on Tuesday 13 December). The theatre has a lower foyer which we can use to picnic in if the weather is awful but the children will need warm clothes including hats, scarves, gloves and a warm coat in case we decide to picnic outside on the beach! If you have not yet returned your consent form and payment, please do so as soon as you can.

Yours sincerely,



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