



Leek First School Christmas Newsletter 2017

It was great to see so many of you at our Harvest Festival, I am sure you will agree that the children were amazing with their performances. The foodbank expressed their thanks for the very generous donations.

Thank you for all your contributions.



Christmas Activities



Film Night



P.A.T.C.H will be holding their film night on **Friday 10th November 2017 at 6pm.**

All children are welcome to attend.

The chosen film will be 'Boss Baby'

The cost will be £1.50 per child (Please pay on arrival)

Refreshments will also be available to purchase such as; crisps, cold drinks, popcorn, sweets and tea/coffee for adults.

ALL CHILDREN ATTENDING MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT.

Christmas Tree Decorations

As part of our Christmas Celebrations we are once again asking the children to make a decoration at home for our school Christmas tree in the hall. The children can make any decoration they wish *for example; Star, Angel, Donkey, Bauble, Snowman, etc.*

We will be decorating the tree on **Friday 1st December**, so children will need to bring their decorations into school on **Wednesday 29th November**. If they are named we can give them back at the end of term for them to bring home.

Christmas Pantomime

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are going to see 'Sleeping Beauty' at the Buxton Opera House on **Tuesday 12th December**. The Children are expected to arrive back in school at approximately 4.30pm. We will keep you updated of any delays.

Year 3 & Year 4 are going to see 'Treasure Island' at the New Vic Theatre on **Monday 11th December**. The Children are expected to arrive back in school at approximately 5.30pm. We will keep you updated of any delays.



Our Christmas Fayre is on Friday 1st December at 3.30pm. Please come along and get into the festive spirit.

Tombola

See Santa

Wine & Water

Christmas Biscuits

East Bay Auction

Games

CHRISTMAS NON UNIFORM DAYS

There will be 3 non-uniform days leading up to our Christmas Fayre. Due to our Fitness Friday activities we will be holding them on a Thursday and would much appreciate it if the children could bring in one of the following items each week:

- Thursday 16th November = **Wine**
- Thursday 23rd November = **East Bay Items, Gifts & Toiletries**
- Thursday 30th November = **Cakes** (Thursday will be non-uniform day; however we ask that cakes are brought into school on the day of the Fayre, *Friday 1st December.*)

East-Bay Auction - we welcome any new or used good quality items such as; unwanted gifts or toys. P.A.T.C.H will display the items in the hall, you will then get the opportunity to put your name in a raffle against any items you would like the chance of winning. At the end of the School Fayre Mr Allbutt will pull the winners name out of the hat for each item.

Christmas Parties

All classes will be having a Christmas Party during the last week of term; the dates are listed in the diary dates below. Further details will be provided nearer the time by the class teacher.



Christmas Disco

We are holding our Christmas Disco for the children on **Friday, 15th December**. The Disco will begin at 3.30pm and will finish at 5.00pm prompt.

The cost of the Disco will be £1.50 (all children will be provided with some bread & butter)

Children will need to bring their Disco clothes in a named bag to change into at the end of the school day. Refreshments / sweets will be on sale as usual, along with glow sticks, temporary tattoos etc. (all items are 20p) therefore, the children can bring a little spending money into school on the day. Can you please ensure that purses / money bags are clearly marked with your child's name and class.

FESTIVE BUFFET

Mrs Bowles and her team will be serving a cold Festive Buffet on **Tuesday 12th December**. This will be served from 11.00am for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 before they leave for the pantomime and at normal lunchtime for Year 3 and Year 4.

Please Note: There will be **NO hot option** on this day. Own packed lunches can be brought in as normal if your child does not want to have the Festive Buffet.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Tuesday 19th December

Main Meal...

Roast Turkey, with Gravy, Sausages in a Blanket, Stuffing & Cranberry Sauce

On the side...

Roast Potatoes, Mash, Roast Parsnips, Carrots and Peas

For dessert...

Snowman Christmas Ice-Cream or Festive Pudding & Custard

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2

All children will be ordered a Christmas lunch on Tuesday 19th December.

If your child/children would like to order a vegetarian option, please inform the office.

Year 3 and Year 4 Children

The cost of Christmas lunch this year will be £2.25. If your child is eligible for a free school meal, a Christmas lunch will be ordered.

If Year 3 and Year 4 children would like to order a Christmas lunch please complete and return the slip enclosed with the newsletter.

Please do not send in any Christmas dinner money until Monday 18th December.

Please return the enclosed reply slips for the Christmas Disco and Christmas Dinner by Friday 23rd November.



Christmas Carol Service

Our Christmas Carol Service will be taking place at St Luke's Church on Friday 19th December starting at 10am. All the children will be singing carols and the Year 3 & Year 4 children who take lessons will be playing their guitars and violins.

All parents, carers, family and friends are welcome to join us.

We look forward to seeing you there

Dates for Your Diary

Event	Day	Time	Class	Location
Non-Uniform	Thursday 16 th November	Wine		
Non-Uniform	Thursday 23 rd November	East-Bay, Gifts & Toiletries		
Christmas decorations due in	Wednesday 29 th November		All	
Non-Uniform	Thursday 30 th November	Cakes (bring in on Friday)		
Christmas Fayre	Friday 1 st December	3.30pm	School	
Christmas concert "Lights, Camel, Action"	Thursday 7 th December	9.30am & 6.00pm	Reception, Year 1&2	School Hall
Pantomime - Treasure Island	Monday 11 th December	1.00pm	Year 3 & 4	New Vic Theatre
Pantomime - Sleeping Beauty	Tuesday 12 th December	11.45am	Reception, Year 1 & 2	Buxton Opera House
Festive Buffet	Tuesday 12 th December	11.00am reception, year 1 & 2	12.15pm Year 3 & 4	Hall
Disco	Friday 15 th December	3.30pm - 5.00pm		
Christmas Party - Reception	Thursday 14 th December	1.15pm	Classroom / Hall	
Christmas Party - Year 1 & 2	Monday 18 th December	1.15pm	Classroom / Hall	
Christmas Party - Year 3 & 4	Tuesday 19 th December	1.15pm	Classroom / Hall	
Carol Service	Tuesday 19 th December	10.00am	All	
Christmas Lunch	Tuesday 19 th December	Lunchtime	All	Hall
Holiday - School Closed	Wednesday 20 th December 2017- Tuesday 2 nd January 2018			
School Opens for Children	Wednesday 3 rd January 2018			
Holiday - School Closed	Monday 19 th February 2018 - Friday 23 th February 2018			
School Opens for Children	Monday 26 th February 2018			
Tempest - Class Photographs	Tuesday 13 th March	8.30am	All	School
Holiday School Closed	Friday 30 th March 2018 - Wednesday 11 th April 2018			
Inset Days - School Closed for Children	Thursday 12 th April 2018 & Friday 13 th April 2018			
School Opens for children	Monday 16 th April 2018			
Standon Bowers Residential Visit	Wednesday 2 nd May 2018 - Friday 4 th May 2018		Year 4	Standon Bowers