

Christmas Issue
December 2018

Sandy Lane Primary School

NEWSLETTER

CHRISTMAS FAIR - We are still needing donations of toys, books and items for the tombola for our Christmas Fair which takes place on Thursday 6th December.

Unfortunately all the Santa Tickets have now sold out.

If you haven't already bought your entrance tickets the last day to do so is Tuesday 4th December. Tickets can be bought on the door but you may have to queue to do so.



SCHOOL TRIPS

As you are no doubt aware, school has arranged a trip to the cinema for the whole school in December. At the moment only 75% of parents have paid towards this trip. Sadly we may have to re-consider the trips we organise in future should insufficient funds continue to be received from parents to cover costs.

Polite Request - if we send any letters from school which require a response or money sending in, please can you do so as soon as possible after you have received the letter.

Please see our outside TV screen for the weekly attendance and late figures for the school

SCHOOL LIBRARY

The opening of the school library has been a great success. To enable us to open more frequently, we need volunteers to open the library either in the morning or after school. Full training will be provided.

HELP NEEDED FOR THE CHRISTMAS FAIR - PLEASE SPEAK TO MRS WALKER IF YOU CAN HELP SET UP, RUN A STALL OR PACK AWAY ON 6TH DECEMBER.

E SAFETY

Please take a look at this award winning website called "Net Aware" which is a simple guide to the social networks children use. The website address is www.net-aware.org.uk

We now have a vacancy for a Luncheon Supervisor in school. Please see our website for full details at www.sandylanepprimary.co.uk

COMMUNITY LIBRARY OPEN

The Sandy Lane Community Library is now open every Monday and Wednesday after school until 3.45pm.

Every Monday at 2.30pm, our library will be holding "Rhyme Time" for 4 year olds and under.

Dates for your diary:-

CHRISTMAS AT SANDY LANE DAY - Thursday 6th December. Children can come to school wearing a Christmas Jumper and pay £1.00. We will be having our Christmas dinner and the day will end with our school Christmas Fair. Unfortunately 23 children have not returned the choices slip for their Christmas Lunch. We cannot therefore guarantee that they will get the meal of their choice.

11th December (pm) and 12th December (am) - Reception Nativity

13th December - PM Reception Classes Christmas Party in the Hall

14th December - AM Whole school trip to Cineworld to see "The Grinch"

**14th December - 2.30pm KS1 Carol Concert in the school hall.
Parents of KS1 children welcome**

17th December - PM KS1 Christmas Party in the Hall

18th December - LKS2 & UKS2 Christmas Parties in the Hall

19th December - Break up for Christmas Holidays

3rd January - Children return to school

7th to 9th January - Year 6 Residential Visit to Robinwood, Todmorden



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ATTENDANCE - Our current attendance figure is **95.1%**. We are aiming for **96%** which would bring us in line with the national average. Please help us achieve this by avoiding any unnecessary absences for your child

LATE ARRIVALS INTO SCHOOL

SOME CHILDREN ARE STILL BEING BROUGHT TO SCHOOL LATE - SO FAR THIS TERM **57** PUPILS HAVE ARRIVED BETWEEN 9.00AM AND 9.15AM A TOTAL OF **118** TIMES. DOORS OPEN AT 8.45AM AND CLOSE AT 8.55AM.

BEING LATE BY 10 MINUTES A DAY FOR A WEEK EQUALS ALMOST AN HOUR OF LEARNING THAT YOUR CHILD HAS MISSED AND OVER A TERM THIS WOULD BE A WHOLE DAY OF ABSENCE.

YOUR CHILD BEING LATE DOESN'T ONLY DISRUPT THE START OF THEIR DAY, IT DISRUPTS THE START OF THE DAY FOR THE OTHER CHILDREN IN THEIR CLASS. **PLEASE GET YOUR CHILDREN TO SCHOOL ON TIME**