

Autumn Term 2019

Diary Dates

Durley CE Primary School

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NOVEMBER

Wednesday 27 November

Non uniform day – bottle donations for the adult Tombola for Xmas Fayre

Friday 29 November

Hungry Snowman cakes for Xmas Fayre

1:15pm KS2 walking to the church for carol service rehearsal.

3:30-6:00pm DSA Xmas Fayre

DECEMBER

Monday 2 December

Xmas Post Box open for deliveries

Friday 6 December

INSET (day closure for staff training)

Wednesday 11 December

9:15am KS1 Nativity

Thursday 12 December

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Monday 16 December

Reception children to visit Ladybirds Pre-school to see nativity.

Tuesday 17 December

9:20am Whole School trip - Cinderella at Nuffield Theatre

Tuesday 17 December

6:00pm for 6:30-7:30pm carols around the bonfire in the school hall followed by the lighting of the bonfire on the school field.

Wednesday 18 December

Pm Xmas parties (children can bring a change of clothes in named carrier bag)

Thursday 19 December

Xmas lunch for pupils and staff

Friday 20 December

1:30 Carol service at Holy Cross Church followed by mince pies and refreshments at school

3:30 School closes for Xmas break (no after school childcare club)

Dear Parents

Many thanks to all of you who were able to join us for our special Remembrance Day service in the school's garden of remembrance. It was very moving to see our children observing the 2 minute silence.

Thank you to our 6 children who recited the Laurence Binyon poem

“For the Fallen’ and for one of our Year 6 pupils who played ‘the Last Post’ so beautifully. We were also very grateful to our recorder and flute players who accompanied our singing. Thank you also to our two eldest pupils who laid a poppy wreath on our behalf amongst the sea of poppies made by every child in the school. Many thanks to all of you who contributed to this years poppy appeal for the Royal British Legion. We raised an incredible £221.15

Thank you also for your generosity in supporting Children in Need this year. The combination of the line of coins and the film night raised an incredible £560.47 for a very worthy charity.

Mrs Affleck will be leaving us at the end of this term to return to hairdressing. She has been involved with the school since her own children started school in 2002. She was on the school association and has been a member of staff for the past ten years. We wish her all the very best of luck. If you wish to contribute to a gift, please drop it into the school office.



Congratulations to our Year 5/6 girls football team who finished in second place against ten teams in the Wyvern cluster of schools winning five of their six matches last week. A particular well done to our goal scorers who scored 16 goals and to the rest of the team for their incredible defending, teamwork and support of each other.

This Friday 29 November, the children at Key Stage 2 will be walking up to the church at 1:15pm for a Christmas carol service rehearsal. At the moment the weather is looking fine, however please could you ensure that your child has a coat in school.

DSA Events: Driving through the village, I see that the posters are up for our Christmas Fayre this Friday between 3:30pm at 6:00pm. We are all very excited that Christmas will be coming to Durley School this week with our school decorations and tree on their way. Thank you for your generous donations of sweets last week for the sweet tombola. This **Wednesday 27 November** will be a non-uniform day in exchange for items for the bottle stall. Finally, a reminder that **Friday 29 November** is our day to feed the Hungry snowman with cake! Please bring cakes for the Christmas Fayre to the school hall and place them on a number which will be put into a prize draw. The DSA have been working tirelessly at fundraising this year and wish to make you aware that many companies do match funding for their employees who are able to help out at events.

The DSA have also asked that parents sign up to Amazon Smile, and support the Durley School Association. There are many ‘Black Friday’ deals on this week so if you are intending to do some Christmas shopping please sign up using smile.amazon.co.uk in order for us to receive an extra 0.5% on any Amazon purchase. Thank you.

Carols Around the Bonfire: On **Tuesday 17 December** we will be holding our annual carol singing in the school hall from 6:00pm with a 6:30pm start followed at 7:15pm by the lighting of the bonfire on the school field We would recommend warm clothes, torch and wellies. All proceeds go towards the Durley Seniors New Year lunch. Please come along and join us.

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