



# ST LEONARD'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL



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## November News 1

### Thank you

Thank you for all your support and contributions to the many charitable events we held last week.

Throughout the week, we were celebrating friendship and how to show courage when holding others to account for treating everyone with respect and dignity, as part of anti-bullying week.

On Tuesday, children had a blast exercising in blue, to celebrate World Diabetes Day.



On Friday, we all shared a day of Reading, resting, relaxing and reflecting as we raised money for St Leonard's Parish Foodbank and McMillan Cancer Research. It was lovely to see the children sharing their favourite books with each other.

On Friday, Mrs Blackley took all the Christmas Shoe Boxes to St John's, ready for collection by Samaritans Purse. Thank you for your generous donations. Mrs Blackley's boot was brimming with boxes which will make an amazing difference to the children they reach.

### School Christmas Fair

This year we will be holding our Christmas fair from 3.30 – 4.30pm on **Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November**. This will involve various stalls including a Christmas Grotto, bottlebola, chocolate tombola, a raffle, a sweet stall and a café.

If you have links with any local businesses who would be willing to donate a raffle prize, please could you bring the prizes into school. Thank you.

There will be a **non-uniform day** on **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November** and families are asked to contribute items for our tombolas:

- Saplings, Ash, Holly, Elm, Oak and Poplar are asked to bring chocolate or sweets.
- Beech, Rowan and Willow to bring items for a general Tombola (smellies, stationery or toys)
- Chestnut, Maple and Sycamore to bring bottles.

### St Leonard's Church Christmas Fair

St Leonard's Church will be holding their Christmas fair **on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November from 10 – 12 noon**. Children have been practicing some songs to perform. Everyone is welcome. Please can the children arrive by 11.20am ready to sing at 11.30am. They don't need to wear uniform but it would be great to see some Christmas jumpers. Thank you.

*Still other seed fell on the good soil, where it produced a crop – a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown.' Matthew 13:8*

## **Christmas Jumper day**

This is advance warning that we will be celebrating Christmas jumper day on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December. Although children are welcome to wear commercially produced Christmas jumpers, particularly given the current cost of living we would like to encourage them to create their own Christmas jumpers using pre-owned Christmas tinsel and decorations. There will be small prizes for the most creative jumper in each class.

### **Dates for your diary:**

Fri 24<sup>th</sup> Nov – Non-uniform day for Christmas fair

Wed 29<sup>th</sup> Nov – 3.30 – 4.30pm - Christmas fair

Thurs 30<sup>th</sup> Nov – M&M productions present Beauty and the Beast

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> Dec – 2pm – EYFS Performance at church

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> Dec – 2pm – KS1 Performance at school

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> Dec – 10am – KS1 Performance at school

Fri 15<sup>th</sup> Dec – Christmas jumper day

Mon 18<sup>th</sup> Dec – pm – KS2 Christmas parties – details to follow

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> Dec – pm – Stay and Play – Come and join your children for some festive fun in school. More details to follow.

Wed 20<sup>th</sup> Dec – Christmas dinner day

Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> Dec – 1.30pm – KS2 Christingle service at church; pm – EYFS/KS1 Christmas parties – details to follow.

Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec – 3.30pm School closes for the Christmas holiday

**School Tours:** Tour of the school for parents considering applying for a place in Reception or Nursery in 2024. Please phone school to book a place if you are interested.

- Fri 24<sup>th</sup> Nov – 10am