



Wychwood Church of England  
Primary School

## Shine as Lights in the World- Philippians 2.15

November 10<sup>th</sup> 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

### **Firework Display**

A huge thank you to Daisy Pratt and the PTA team for a wonderful evening on Saturday. So many families have taken the time to share their thanks for all the hard work that the PTA and volunteers put in to make the Fireworks such a special occasion. It was agreed by many that the Firework Display was a much-missed event for the Wychwoods and it was lovely having it back again. I know planning for next year is already underway!

### **Remembrance Sunday**

We took time out today to observe a 2 minute silence in honour of Remembrance Sunday. On Thursday, I led an assembly to share with children the meaning of the poppy and we were fortunate to have Mr Bamber play the Last Post for the children. Thank you to the school council for organising the sale of poppies every morning and afternoon.

### **Parent Meetings**

Thank you to parents and carers who met with teachers to discuss their children's learning this week. Also, I wanted to thank teachers who gave up two evenings to attend these meetings. If you can take the time to complete the parent questionnaire, it would be helpful for us, specifically the question about parent workshops. We would like to offer more, but it would be helpful to prioritise the subject matter. You can use this link to access the questionnaire:-  
<https://forms.gle/7zNNmYgCPB4EPhtz8>

### **Children in Need**

Next Friday we will take part in Children in Need to help raise funds for various children's charities. We encourage children to wear something spotty with their school uniform (or PE kit) and to make a donation on the school gate.

### **Christmas Lunch**

We will be having our Christmas lunch in school on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December. You can book your child a Christmas lunch in the usual way on SchoolGrid. If you have



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already booked ahead for the rest of the term, your booking will have been cancelled as the menu for that day has changed. You will need to go on the system and rebook. Please book this by Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November.

### ***A message from the PTA...***

#### **Fireworks Night**

We cannot thank you all enough for helping to make Fireworks Night the memorable and wonderful night that it was! The day started very soggy, but ended in clear skies and warm atmosphere that negated the chilly air. It felt really special! A huge thank you for buying tickets and inviting friends and family - also the biggest thanks to our amazing volunteers and their partners/family members for enabling them to help, for everyone who donated cakes and everything in between! Also a big thank you to the whole PTA team for their efforts in making the night run so smoothly, to the incredible display team (including Mrs Finch's lovely husband) and the Cricket Club for hosting us. We can't wait to share how much we collectively raised for the school soon!

#### **School Disco and Christmas Market**

As excitable a PTA as we are, we've been beavering away on plans for our next fun event! In two weeks time - on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November - we're running a fab school disco for all the years! Foundation Stage will have their disco during the day - more details to come soon - and the remaining years will be boogying their socks off in the hall at the following times:

- Years 1 - 3 - 5.15pm - 6.15pm
- Years 4 - 6 - 6.30pm - 7.30pm

#### **Ticket increase**

As with most things recently, the cost of refreshments and DJ hire have sadly increased - we don't want to pass this cost onto the children because we love it when they bring their pocket money to buy refreshments and face painting, so to keep the costs to the children the same, we've had to increase the ticket price to £3 in advance and £3.50 on the door. Tickets can be purchased on Classlist from Sunday evening - Daisy will send a notification to everyone when ticket sales go live! We will also set up shop in the playground at pick up on Thursday and Friday next week for anyone wishing to pay with cash.

#### **Christmas Market**

We are so excited to share more details about the fab Christmas Market we've been planning! It's like Waddesdon in the Wychwoods! The Christmas Market will take place at the same time as the school disco sessions. So you can drop off your children and come into the playground for a warming glass of mulled wine, prosecco, spiced apple and luxury hot chocolate. It's free to come to and exclusively for parents and carers of



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children at Wychwood Primary School - though you are welcome to bring friends on the night!

We have some brilliant local independent brands lined up for you to shop Christmas gifts from, including jewellery, fashion, children's fashion and accessories, stationery, ceramics, home fragrance, beauty, a local coffee roastery, hampers and amazing Indian cuisine! More details will be shared on Classlist over the weekend incl. a full list of the stallholders so you can plan your visit!

If you haven't yet joined Classlist, please come and join our exclusive school network using the link below. It's super quick and easy to join:

<https://classlist.page.link/YuLvksUztPj246NCA>

Thank you very much as ever for your support! Have a brilliant weekend all!

The PTA Team :)

### **Upcoming Events**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Who</b>
13 <sup>th</sup> -17 <sup>th</sup> November	Anti-Bullying Week	All
14 <sup>th</sup> November	U11 Hockey	Selected Year 5/6
15 <sup>th</sup> November	Choir at Burford Church	Year 5 & 6 choir members
17 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need	All
24 <sup>th</sup> November	PTA School Disco & Christmas Market, 5.15 – 7.30pm	All
27 <sup>th</sup> November	U11 Boccia	Year 5/6
28 <sup>th</sup> November	Pantomime Trip	Year 1/2
29 <sup>th</sup> November	Magical Maths	Years 1-6
1 <sup>st</sup> December	Reception Nativity 2:00pm	Reception
6 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 Nativity 2:00pm	Year 1/2
7 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 Nativity 2:00pm	Year 1/2
12 <sup>th</sup> December	Trip to Ashmolean Museum	Year 3 and 4
14 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Lunch	All
15 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Bazaar	
18 <sup>th</sup> December	Santa Fun Run	
20 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day	All
20 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Church Service (Shipton Church)	KS2
20 <sup>th</sup> December	Autumn Term Ends 1:30 finish	All

Thank you for your continued support!

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