



SNS NEWS

NO. 700 24/11/2011

Dear Parents

WEDNESDAY 30TH NOVEMBER – The following is the text of a letter sent out via e-mail to parents yesterday:

Re: Industrial Action on Wednesday 30th November 2011

You will be aware that a number of Unions have called on their members to take industrial action over proposed government changes to Public Service Pensions.

Our best information is that next Wednesday, the Governors expect all of Reception, Year 1 and Year 2, plus 4S, all of Year 5 and Year 6 to be **OPEN** for pupils.

All of Year 3, 4R and 4HE will be **CLOSED** on Wednesday 30th November and children in those five classes are not able to be admitted on that day.

Should further negotiations between the government and the unions result in any change to these arrangements, we shall let you know as soon as possible.

CLASS ASSEMBLY

Parents of children in **Class 5J** are invited to join them at their assembly tomorrow at 10.00am. Next week it will be 6B.

FAMILY PHOTOS

If you had photos taken at the after-school session on 10th November, please note that **tomorrow (Friday 25th) is the final day for returning orders** for us to send off. Any late orders will have to be sent at your own expense.

LIFE EDUCATION BUS

This teaching resource is visiting the school next week, with sessions timetabled for each class. These will cover various topics of Healthy Living covered by Science and PSHE. Parents whose children have been here for a few years may well remember the last visit of The Bus and we are extremely grateful to the PTA who have, this year, agreed to cover the cost. There will be two dedicated sessions for parents in the schedule so you can find out more. These will be on Monday 29th and Tuesday 29th November between 9.00 – 9.20am. If you would like to come, report to the school office before 9.00am and you will be directed to where it is parked.

'FRONTER' PASSWORDS

If you have yet to be given a password for your child to use the Learning Platform – 'Fronter' – don't worry too much at the moment, as the content of each of the sites is currently being updated so that the children will be able to access work from the correct year group. Further information will be issued in the new year to explain how this will work.

PTA NEWS – RACE NIGHT TOMORROW.....

We are looking forward to an enjoyable evening – you don't have to know much about horse racing – just how to have fun. Bar open when the doors open at 7.30pm – first race at 8.00pm. If you haven't already got your tickets (£2.50 each – a bargain!), they will be available on the door.

It is only support for events such as this that make it possible for us to provide the children with special activities, for example the Life Education Bus – see note above.....

OPERA OUTING

Year 5 are enjoying their trip to the Opera today at the Royal Opera House in Convent Garden, amid all the Christmas lights.

PRESTON MANOR

The first Year 6 group of Victorian urchins set off for their visit to Preston Manor today, where they will participate in Victorian cookery and experience the life of a butler, housemaid or scullery maid. Group two goes on Monday.

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HEADLICE

We are aware of outbreaks in Years 1 and 5 at the moment but we would remind parents that combing conditioner through hair after washing, with a fine-toothed comb, can help alleviate the problem – and, of course, if anything is found, treatment should be given immediately. A pharmacist will be able to recommend what will be suitable for your child.

‘LOST’ LUNCHBOXES

As with all personal property that is brought to school – please make sure that lunchboxes are clearly named (on the outside) with your child’s name. Rarely is the style of a child’s box unique – there are many that look exactly the same – so returning them to the rightful owner is so much simpler if we can see the name.....Thank you.

DOG MESS – we don’t want it any more than anyone would. Please, please, if you bring your dog to school, in the morning or afternoon, make sure any mess is cleared immediately and put in the appropriate bin.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH – THURSDAY 15TH DECEMBER

Please remember that, if your child DOESN’T normally have school lunches, but you would like to order Christmas Lunch **orders MUST BE RECEIVED BY THURSDAY 1ST DECEMBER**. There can be no late orders. See order form below or collect one from the school office. If your child normally has school meals, this will automatically be ordered.

SCHOOL CLUBS – CLOSING FOR CHRISTMAS

High 5 – last session today Thursday 24th November

Running Club – last session is Tuesday 29th November

Year 6 Football – last session is Tuesday 6th December

Golf – last session is Wednesday 30th November

Mini-Soccer has now finished for the season – look out for more information in February – depending on weather conditions

OUTSIDE ACTIVITIES

ST NICHOLAS CHURCH WINTER FAYRE – SATURDAY 26TH NOVEMBER at Shepperton Village Hall from 10.00am – 12.30pm. Lots of stalls with a Christmas theme, together with a Grand Raffle, and refreshments.

and, once you have been there you can go to

SHEPPERTON PRE-SCHOOL’S WINTER FAIR in Glebeland Gardens between 11.00am – 1.30pm. Again, lots of stalls, including craft and jewellery. There is face painting and another Grand Raffle – also mulled wine and mince pies.

SPELTHORNE PARENT SUPPORT GROUP invites parents to and information morning on Autism / Aspergers presented by Education Specialist Teachers. This is being held at Stanwell Youth Centre on **Tuesday 29th November** between 10.00am – 12noon. See poster in notice board outside school for more information.

LAST CHANCE TO TAKE PART IN SPELTHORNE SANTA SPRINT on 4th December. Book your place by tomorrow at www.spelthorne.gov.uk/santasprint



ORDER FOR CHRISTMAS LUNCH – THURSDAY 15TH DECEMBER

THIS ONLY APPLIES TO CHILDREN WHO DON’T NORMALLY HAVE SCHOOL LUNCHES

My child:.....Class:.....,(who normally has lunch from home),

would like to have Christmas Lunch on **Thursday 15th December** and I enclose a payment of **£2.00** for this.

Signed:.....Parent / Guardian

SLIP TO SCHOOL OFFICE BY THURSDAY 1ST DECEMBER PLEASE

SORRY - NO LATE ORDERS ACCEPTED

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CHRISTMAS CALENDAR 2011

Thursday 1st December	3.00 – 4.30pm	Year 5 Christmas Bazaar in school hall and Santa's Grotto – everyone welcome
Wednesday 7th December	9.30am	Infants' Nativity (Reception families invited) more details to follow
Thursday 8th December	9.30am	Infants' Nativity (Year 1 families invited) - more details to follow
Thursday 8th December	7.00pm	Christmas Choir Concert - more details to follow
Friday 9th December	9.30am	Infants' Nativity (Year 2 families invited) - more details to follow Performance to be recorded – DVDs will be available to parents.
Monday 12th December	9.30am	Years 5 and 6 to St Nicholas Church for service
Tuesday 13th December	9.30am	Years 1 and 2 to St Nicholas Church for service
Wednesday 14th December	evening	'Big Tree Night' Shepperton community singing
Thursday 15 th December	9.30am	Years 3 and 4 Nativity 1 st performance – parents welcome
Thursday 15th December	12.00noon	School Christmas lunch – must be specially ordered by 1 st December if your child does not usually have school lunch – <i>order form available</i>
Thursday 15th December	evening	Drama Club Panto performance for parents (PTA Bar) Ticket application to follow
Thursday 15th December		PTA Grand Christmas Draw – tickets out soon!
Friday 16 th December	9.30am	Years 3 and 4 Nativity 2 nd performance – parents welcome
Friday 16th December	pm	Reception, Years 1, 2, 3 and 4 Christmas Party
Friday 16th December	10.40am	Key Stage 1 Choir to the Greeno Centre to entertain day-centre visitors
Monday 19th December	9.30am	Years 3 and 4 to St Nicholas Church for service
Monday 19th December	pm	Years 5 and 6 Christmas Party
Tuesday 20th December		LAST DAY OF TERM - SCHOOL FINISHES AT <u>2.15PM</u> FOR YEARS R –2 AND <u>2.30PM</u> FOR YEARS 3–6

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