Dear Parents and Carers

We’re creeping towards Christmas and there will soon be lots of exciting things going on in school. Remember to read the newsletter carefully and check the website for details of events.

Play Centre Co-Location Project
This exciting building project is well underway and part of the Play Centre building has already been demolished. If you want to keep an eye on progress, we’ll be posting photographs on the school website.

Christmas Fete—Friday 3rd December
Just a reminder that the PTFA would be grateful for any donations of bottles, tins and packets that you are able to make for the Christmas Fete. Thank you.

Raffle tickets will be sent home tomorrow for your child to sell.
Prizes include 4 tickets for the London Eye, a Family Arsenal Stadium Tour, a Christmas Hamper and more...

Friendship Week
This week is friendship week. The children are being encouraged to be extra kind to each other. Children displaying kind behaviour will be awarded a certificate.

Rosehill—Christmas Lights
The choir will be singing at Rosehill this Thursday (18th November) for the switching on of the Christmas lights. They will be singing at 4:20pm and again at 5:10pm. Everybody welcome.

Pudsey Bear
The children thoroughly enjoyed the visit of Pudsey Bear on Friday. Thank you to everyone who donated money to the Children in Need Appeal. We don’t know how much we raised yet as the bucket was sealed. All we can tell you is that the bucket was very heavy! We’ll let you know the amount at a later date.

Using the front entrance
Just a reminder that children should enter school in the morning via the playground entrance, not the office. The pupil entrance is open until 8:55am and your child should be in school by then ready to start work as soon as the register has been taken.

Christmas Dinner
Letters were sent home yesterday regarding Christmas Dinner in school. If your child normally has a school dinner, you do not need to reply. If, however, your child normally has a packed lunch, but would like to have a Christmas dinner, please make sure you follow the instructions on the letter and reply by Tuesday 30th November at the latest.

Breakfast Club
We are changing the way we organise bookings and payments for Breakfast Club. From the beginning of next term, you will need to book your child’s place and pay in advance. If your child attends regularly, you will have received a pack yesterday. If you did not, you can pick one up from the school office.
Parents drop-in sessions with the school nurse

These sessions will continue to run this half term. The dates are Thursday 2 December and Thursday 16 December. On these dates, the school nurse will be in the Round Room from 2pm. If there is anything you would like to discuss with her, please pop along to one of these sessions. There is no need to book.

Sports Partnerships

You may have heard on the news recently that the Sports Partnership is being abolished by the Government in September next year. The Sports Partnership funds some of our after-school clubs. If this money goes, so will our clubs. I will be sending out details of a petition to try to protect this funding and I hope you will all sign the petition and allow your children to sign it.

Dates for your diary

Thursday 18th November—4:20pm & 5:10pm Choir to sing at Rosehill for the switching on of the Christmas lights

Wednesday 24th November—School closes at 2pm for Pupil Progress Meetings

Thursday 25th November—Choir to sing in Sutton High Street for the switching on of the Christmas lights

Friday 3rd December—PTFA Christmas Fete

Monday 6th December—Christmas Dinner—Upper Phase

Wednesday 8th December—Christmas Dinner—Foundation & Middle Phase

Saturday 11th December—Tweeddale Dancers to perform in Sutton High Street

Monday 13th December—6:30pm Years 1-3 Carol Service at St Peter’s Church

Tuesday 14th December—2:30pm Nursery sing-a-long in Nursery

Tuesday 14th December—6:30pm Years 4-6 Carol Service at St Peter’s Church

Wednesday 15th December—2:30pm Reception classes Christingle at St Peter’s Church

Thursday 16th December—Jack and the Beanstalk Pantomime

Friday 17th December—last day of term—School closes at 2pm

Tuesday 4th January—INSET day—School & Children’s Centre closed

Wednesday 5th January—Children return to school

Children’s Centre Information

Men behaving Dadly at Tweeddale Primary School

Men Behaving Dadly is a stay and play activity group for Dads and all male carers with their children. The group is aimed at under 5 year olds but our doors are open to your child’s siblings up to the age of 11 years old. We have fun activities such as messy play, music and movement and outdoor play equipment to name just a few!

No need to book, just drop in and join in the fun!

The group runs one Saturday a month from 9.30am-11.30am and is happening on Saturday 20th November 2010 and Saturday 11th December 2010 at Tweeddale Primary School.

The Citizens Advice Bureau offer free, confidential, independent and impartial advice on housing, welfare benefits, employment, debt etc.

They will be at Tweeddale Children’s Centre on Wednesday 1st December and Wednesday 12th January.

If you would like to book an appointment, please call 020 8404 1640.

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