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Head Teacher

Hall Update

After the initial long delay, work is on schedule for the hall building to be completed in January. The old building has been completely removed, and cement for the foundations has been poured. The next exciting stage will be on Monday 19th November, when a crane will arrive early in the morning, followed by the steel framework. It is then when we will see the hall begin to take shape.

Remembrance

As part of the centenary of the armistice, children from Owl and Kiwi class will be showing off their work, and performing at the village hall on Sunday at 3:00pm. They have become very aware of the significance of the day and why it is important to remember. If you are in Byfield on Sunday afternoon, please come and see the work the children have been doing, along with the other village events. If you want to find out more about the events happening, there are posters around the village, with artwork created by Rueban and Scarlett in Owl Class.

Year 1/2 Teacher

Covering the time while Mrs Faulkner is not well enough to be in school, Miss Brand has now been in Swallow class for the past 5 weeks, and has built up a very good relationship with the class. She has previously taught Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 in London and I feel she has ensured that the class is motivated and enjoying their learning whilst still ensuring standards are kept high (as well as ensuring key events like the nativity continues.) I am pleased to inform parents that Miss Brand has agreed to stay for as long as needed. She will be conducting the parents evenings next week where she will be looking forward to meeting parents and discussing the progress their children are making. If there are any enquiries about the staffing within Year 1 and 2, I will be available during parents evenings to discuss further.

PTA

Bags2School -time to clear out those summer clothes to make room for the warm winter ones. Fill a sack with unwanted clothes, bags, shoes, soft toys, bedding, curtains, towels and make money for the school (40kg per kg). There are plenty of spare bags in school if you would like to hand out to friends or neighbours, or just use a black bin bag. Please bring the bags to school on Tuesday 13th (before school), collection is around 9am.

Christmas Fair – Sunday 25th November - bakers of Byfield – can you help? We need cakes for our café at the Christmas Fair on Sunday 25th November. Can you make one and bring it along? Channel your inner Rahul and show us your best bakes. Bring them along to the village hall from 11am.

Tombola Prizes - we are looking for tombola prizes such as unwanted gifts, bottles, toiletries etc. Also please could you fill jam jars with anything from sweets to stationary to hair clips and hairbands. Bring your goodies to the office.

If you can help serve on a stall, or in the café or sell raffle tickets, please let us know. Remember, your support makes a big contribution to help enhance your child's education. Children will be singing at 1.30pm. Doors open at 1pm – Sunday 25th November.

After School Clubs

Monday night Construction Club from 3.15-4.30pm – cost £2

Tuesday night – Art and Crafts (KS1 focus) – cost £2

Wednesday night – Computer Club from 3.15-4.30pm – cost £2

Thursday night – Art and Crafts (KS2) – cost £2

Friday Night – Film Night – 3.15-5.30 pm - cost £3

Children are welcome to stay at After School Club until 5.30pm. Charge for this is £3.80.

Please contact the office if you would like more information or to book.

Breakfast Club – every day from 8am – cost is £3 per session.

Dates for the Diary

String music lessons – every Wednesday

Guitar music lessons – every Tuesday

Keyboard lessons – every Thursday

PE – Please bring PE kit in to school every day, PE lessons will be weather dependent. We also have some sessions for PE booked at the village hall. 13th November Year 3 and 4. 23rd November Year 5 and 6. 27th November Year 3 and 4.

Celebration Assemblies Monday – Kiwi, Tuesday – Owls, Thursday – Swallows, Friday – Robins

Hotshots – Every Tuesday – 8am

Dance Club – Every Wednesday after school

Sunday 11th November – Byfield Village Hall - 100-Year Commemoration end of WW1

Sunday 25th November – Christmas Craft Fair

Monday 26th November – Flu immunisation Years 1-5

Monday 3rd December – Robin Class to Sealife Centre, Birmingham

Wednesday 5th December – Bikeability – Kiwi Class

Wednesday 12th December – Dress rehearsal – Nativity

Thursday 13th December – Christingle and Carol Service 2pm

Friday 14th December – Nativity 2pm and 6pm

Monday 17th December – Panto – Dick Whittington

Wednesday 19th December – school closes for Christmas break 3.15pm