



**From Mrs Silke**

Dear Parents and Carers,

**Winter Fair**

A letter went home earlier in the week to let you all know about our upcoming Winter Fair which this year is to be held on **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December at 3.45pm**. A small committee of parents and teachers have started to meet to plan all the exciting stalls but, as you can all appreciate, we need as much support from you as we can on the day to enable us to run it.

If you think you may be able to give up an hour of your time on that Friday to help us either set up or help run a stall we would be extremely grateful. Let us know by either completing the slip that went home or letting the office know who will pass your details on.

**Mufti-days**

The letter sent out earlier in the week also told you about two mufti-days we will be holding. The first is this **Friday (17<sup>th</sup> November)** where the children can wear their own clothes for a donation of £1. Half of the money raised will be donated to **Children in Need** and the rest will be used to fund activities and resources for the fair.

Unfortunately, the date for the second mufti-day was written incorrectly on the letter. I apologise for any confusion this may have caused. It will not be on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December as this is an INSET day but will be on **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December**. Children on this day can wear their own clothes for a donation of a bottle, this can include alcoholic bottles and soft drink bottles (SEALED & IN DATE PLEASE).

**PTA – Annual General Meeting**

Just another reminder that the PTA will be holding their Annual General Meeting on **Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November at 3.45pm in the Lower Hall (a crèche will be provided)**. On the Agenda will be the relaunch of the new look PTA and the voting in of a new committee. There is still time to return your nomination forms if you would like to be considered for the roles of Chairperson, Treasurer

or Secretary to the school office as well as letting us know your ideas for a new PTA name. Please show your support by attending the meeting on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November at 3.45pm. We hope to see as many of you there as possible.

**Parent Workshops**



The success of our Parent Curriculum workshops continued this week with our Phonics and Key Stage 1 Maths sessions each being attended by over 40 parents. Feedback from all the sessions has been extremely positive especially the demonstration phonics lesson and we will be looking at planning similar sessions in the future. If you were unable to attend any of the sessions, resources from the workshops will be uploaded to the school website for you to access.

**Anti-Bullying Week**

This week the children during assemblies and in their PSHE lessons have been discussing this year’s theme which is “All Different, All Equal”. The children have been thinking about what makes us unique and how we should be tolerant of people’s differences.



**Maths Competition**

Last week on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November, children from Year 5 and Year 6 were chosen to represent Ark Oval at a maths competition, which took place at the Explore Centre in Addiscombe. They competed against other local schools such as Park Hill and Elmhurst Primary school. We were extremely proud to see the children use their problem-solving and team-work skills to solve challenging mathematical questions. Well done



Best Wishes  
Ali Silke, Principal

**Attendance awards** 

**From Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November to Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2017**

The highest attending class in KS1

(including EYFS) was: **Gill**

The highest attending class in KS2 was: **Perkins**

These classes get to display the attendance cups proudly in their classrooms for all to see until Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2017

Date and Time	Location	Event
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> November 2017	All classes	Mufti-Day – Donate a £1
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	All classes	Mufti-Day – Donate bottle
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	SCHOOL CLOSED	INSET DAY
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> December 3.45 – 5.30pm	Playgrounds	Christmas Fair
18 <sup>th</sup> & 19 <sup>th</sup> December 2017 Times to be advised	Old Building Halls	Christmas performances
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December 2017	Playground Dismissal	Last Day of Term Finish at 1.30 pm
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> January 2018	SCHOOL CLOSED	INSET DAY
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2018	Usual Entry Points	First day of Spring Term
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> & Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> January 2018 4.00 to 6.00pm	Classrooms	Parent Consultations

Our Value last week was **Bravery**.

The following children demonstrated this value this week and each received a certificate in assembly. Well done!

<b>BLAKE</b>	Lexi Spinola
<b>O'KEEFFE</b>	Dayne Thomas
<b>SEUSS</b>	Cataleya Vulpas
<b>BOWIE</b>	Noah Harbury
<b>GILL</b>	Sanushka Sripalan
<b>WONDER</b>	Sri Janani Sundar Durgadevi
<b>POTTER</b>	Filip Filtar
<b>ROSEN</b>	Theodora Caliniuc
<b>ZEPHANIAH</b>	Omari Owusu Brentuo
<b>HILL</b>	Shakira Khalaf
<b>LEWIS</b>	Kade Field
<b>WEIR</b>	Hedi Jordan
<b>DARWIN</b>	Blina Thaci
<b>HAWKING</b>	Rion Zogjani
<b>LOVELACE</b>	Severyn Stempkowski
<b>DAVIS</b>	Farasat Ahmed
<b>PERKINS</b>	Harvey Macdonald
<b>PARKS</b>	Caleb Mukumbo
<b>MANDELA</b>	Keiza Vickneswarakumaran

