

Weekly Newsletter

A huge thank you to the Fosse Association for the amazing Christmas Market that was held last **Sunday 25th November**. The marquee was full of wonderful stalls selling lovely items and the school was hive activity with craft activities. We are so fortunate to have a committed Fosse Association who works so hard to raise money for the children and we are extremely grateful.



Christmas!

We are now on the slippery slope to Christmas and the school is beginning to look festive. My thanks, and those from all the governors and staff, go to all of you who have put a great deal of work into the children's Christmas cards, Secret Santa and so much more this term. Our thanks also go to Mr Doug Wanstall for donating the beautiful Christmas tree.



Carol Singing at Penshurst Christmas Market.

Children need to arrive at Penshurst Village Hall at 5:50pm ready to sing at 6:00pm please. Our slot is until approximately 6:30pm. It has been arranged for us to park in the Leicester Arms Pub Car Park. Pupils should be dressed in smart school uniform, but no hats are required. Also needed are coats, shiny shoes, neat hair, gloves and scarves if you wish. Refreshments will be given to children after the performance. Parents whose children are not singing are cordially invited to come along to support us and enjoy the market, which once again will raise money for The Pickering Cancer Drop-in Centre and Penshurst Church. This is a lovely opportunity to join in the festive activities of our local area and support local businesses too.



Nativity Play:

This year's production is Born in a Barn. The children from Year 3 to 6 will be watching Little Fosse, Kindergarten, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 in their Nativity Play on **Thursday 6th December**. Parents and grandparents are invited to come to the Sports Hall for 9.30am. Refreshments will be available thanks to the Fosse Association. The Courier newspaper wish to include us in their Nativity feature. If you would prefer for your child not be included in this photo please advise the office by **Monday 3rd December**.



Children's Christmas Card Post box:

The post box for children to send cards to their friends will be on the main staircase from Monday. Please ensure that children include a name and class on the front of the envelope. Y6 will be delivering these towards the end of term.



Secret Santa:

All gifts donations should have been brought in by **Friday 30th November** into the conservatory. The big event is on **Friday 7th December** and children need to come to school with a named envelope containing £1.00 cash per present for their shopping session!

Those children in Kindergarten and Little Fosse who are not in on this day are welcome to attend – please speak with Mrs Palmer regarding this.

Nourish Food Bank:

At Harvest Festival we gifted all our generous donations to the Nourish Food Bank who help those less fortunate around Tonbridge and Tunbridge Wells. For December they are running a 'reverse' advent calendar. Nourish is asking individuals, schools, churches and businesses to get involved. They are asking people to put an essential food bag item into a box every day during the first 12 days of December or as an alternative, make a £3 donation is enough to buy someone in need a food bag meal over the Christmas period. You can then drop your donations either into Royal Victoria place between 13th-16th December or to the Big Yellow Storage Self Storage on Longfield Road before the 21st December. If you would more information please follow this [link](#).



The postponed Inter-house netball will now run on **Wednesday 5th December** after the Sports Assembly, which parents are welcome to attend. The assembly starts at 1.40pm and the matches will begin at 2.10pm.

On **Thursday 6th December** is the Inter House Football for Y3, 4, 5 and 6 which starts at 1.40pm. Please do come along and support the children if you can.

Final reminder regarding holiday club booking system has now closed and invoices have been applied to accounts. Please be aware the deadline for these invoices to be cleared is **Friday 7th December 2018**. If you have not made a booking please contact Miss Greener via office@fossebankschool.co.uk ASAP.

Please do remember that Breakfast club does not start until 7.30am and we are unable to take children before this time. Your help with this would be much appreciated.

Just a reminder that children's snacks at break time should be fruit and their after school club snack should be a small sandwich or savoury biscuits. There have been several incidences of children bringing items containing nuts, which is a huge health risk for some of our children.



Well done to Fletcher, Jago and Charlie in Y4 who made gummy bears and sold them on Thursday to the children at school and have raised **£25.00** towards a guide dog! Amazing entrepreneurial skills boys – well done!

Next week is the last week for clubs before Christmas. A ParentMail will be sent out shortly with regards to new clubs for January and invoices for these will be applied to ParentMail account after the first week of clubs has taken place.

I am aware that a number of parents at other schools have recently fallen foul of financial scams. Please be aware that we would never change our banking details without advising parents. We would ParentMail to advise a letter would be sent home via book bags. If you receive anything to the contrary, please ignore and advise the School Office.

Last but not least The Fosse Association are still selling this year's tea towels for £4.00. There are also delightful baubles available which will make great stocking fillers! These will be available in the gazebo opposite the conservatory at drop off on **Wednesday 5th December and Monday 10th December.**

Best wishes

Alison Cordingley
Headmistress

Diary Dates

Monday 3 rd December	Nativity Rehearsal	9.00am – 10.15am
Tuesday 4 th December	Nativity Dress Rehearsal	9.30am – 10.45am
Wednesday 5 th December	Sports Assembly in Sports Hall	1.20pm
Thursday 6 th December	EYFS – Year 2 Nativity	9.30 – 10.30am
Thursday 6 th December	Inter House football Y5/6 followed by Y3/4	1.40pm – 3.45pm
Friday 7 th December	Celebration Assembly – Y4	1.20pm
Friday 7 th December	Short Progress report to Parents	
Monday 10 th December	High Hopes Pantomime	1.20pm – 2.00pm
Tuesday 11 th December	Rehearsal at church for concert	10.45am
Tuesday 11 th December	Christmas Carol Service at Hildenborough Church	6.30 – 7.30pm
Wednesday 12 th December	Christmas Jumper day, Party Games, Christmas lunch	
13 th Dec to 8 th January	Christmas Holidays	
Wednesday 9 th January	Term 3 starts	
Thursday 10 th January	House meetings	
Friday 11 th January	Celebration assembly	1.20pm
Thursday 17 th January	Read Write Inc session (parents invited)	8.00am – 8.45am
Thursday 17 th January	U9/8s Tag Rugby v Beechwood (home)	2.30pm – 4.00pm
Friday 18 th January	Fosse Association meeting	9.00am
Wednesday 23 rd January	U11/10 Tag Rugby v Beechwood (away)	2.00pm – 4.30pm
Thursday 24 th January	Reading with your child - parents invited	8.00am – 8.45am
Friday 25 th January	Celebration Assembly – Y2	1.20pm